

county of Yavapai, Territory of Arizona; also to construct and maintain such side tracks, extensions, switches, and spurs as may be necessary to the convenient construction and maintenance of said railroad in the said counties of Coconino and Yavapai; said right of way being granted subject to the rules and restrictions and carrying all the rights and privileges of an Act entitled "An Act granting to railroads the right of way through the public lands of the United States," approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, said Act being hereby made applicable to the right of way hereby granted: *Provided*, That no timber shall be cut by said railroad company for any purpose outside of the right of way herein granted.

Approved, January 10, 1899.

Vol. 18, p. 482.

*Proviso.*

Cutting timber limited.

January 12, 1899.

**CHAP. 46.**—An Act Granting extra pay to officers and enlisted men of United States Volunteers.

Volunteer Army.  
Extra pay on muster out in lieu of furlough, etc.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in lieu of granting leaves of absence and furloughs to officers and enlisted men belonging to companies and regiments of United States Volunteers prior to muster out of the service, all officers and enlisted men belonging to volunteer organizations hereafter mustered out of the service who have served honestly and faithfully beyond the limits of the United States shall be paid two months' extra pay on muster out and discharge from the service, and all officers and enlisted men belonging to organizations hereafter mustered out of the service who have served honestly and faithfully within the limits of the United States shall be paid one month's extra pay on muster out and discharge from the service, from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided*, That the discharge of all officers and enlisted men from the volunteer service of the United States shall, as far as practicable, take effect on the date of the muster out of the organization to which they belong, and that regiments and other independent organizations shall be mustered out at camps within the limits of the United States or at the rendezvous of the State, regiment, or independent organization.

Amended, *post*, p. 1074.

*Proviso.*  
Discharge to be of date of muster out of organization.

Place of muster out.

Discharge of officers accountable for public property. Certificates of nonindebtedness.

**SEC. 2.** That officers who at any time were accountable or responsible for public property shall be required, before final payment is made to them on discharge from the service, to obtain certificates of nonindebtedness to the United States from only such of the bureaus of the War Department to which the property for which they were accountable or responsible pertains, and the certificate from the Chief of the Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants, Treasury Department, and such certificates, accompanied by the affidavits of officers, of nonaccountability or nonresponsibility to other bureaus of the War Department, certified to by the commanding officer of the regiment or independent organization, shall warrant their final payment: *Provided*, That officers who have not been responsible at any time for public property shall be required to make affidavit of that fact, certified to by their commanding officers, which shall be accepted as sufficient evidence to warrant their final payment on their discharge from the service: *Provided further*, That mustering officers are empowered to administer oaths in all matters pertaining to the muster out of volunteers.

*Provisos.*  
—of officers not accountable, affidavit sufficient.

Administering oaths.

Approved, January 12, 1899.