

May 18, 1900.

CHAP. 482.—An Act To provide for sittings of the circuit and district courts of the southern district of Florida in the city of Ocala, in said district.

Florida southern
judicial district.
Terms of court.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in addition to the times and places now fixed by law for the sitting of the circuit and district courts of the United States for the southern district of Florida there shall be a session of the said courts in the city of Ocala on the third Monday in January in each year hereafter: *Provided,* That the county in which said courts are to be held shall furnish suitable rooms and accommodations for the holding thereof, free of expense to the Government of the United States.

Proviso.
Court rooms.

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May 19, 1900.

CHAP. 484.—An Act To provide for the disposal of the Fort Buford abandoned military reservation, in the States of North Dakota and Montana.

Fort Buford abandoned military reservation, North Dakota and Montana.

Undisposed of public lands open to entry.

Provisos.
Preference right to actual occupants.

Town site, coal, and mineral lands.

Land containing Government buildings, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all public lands now remaining undisposed of within the abandoned military reservation in the States of North Dakota and Montana, formerly known as Fort Buford Military Reservation, and which are not otherwise occupied or used for any public purpose, are hereby made subject to disposal under the homestead, town-site, and desert-land laws: *Provided,* That actual occupants thereon upon the first day of January, nineteen hundred, if otherwise qualified, shall have the preference right to make one entry not exceeding one quarter section: *Provided further,* That any of such lands as are occupied for town-site purposes, and any of the lands that may be shown to be valuable for coal or minerals, such lands so occupied for town-site purposes or valuable for coal or minerals shall be disposed of as now provided for lands subject to entry and sale under the town-site, coal, or mineral-land laws, respectively: *Provided further,* That this Act shall not apply to any subdivision of land, which subdivision may include adjoining lands to the amount of one hundred and sixty acres, on which any buildings or improvements of the United States are situated, but such lands shall be appraised and sold as now provided by law.

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CHAP. 485.—An Act To establish light-house and fog signal in State of Washington.

Slip Point, Clallam Bay, Washington.
Light-house established at.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a light-house and fog signal be established and constructed at Slip Point, Clallam Bay, State of Washington; said light-house not to exceed the cost of twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

Approved, May 19, 1900.

May 21, 1900.

CHAP. 486.—An Act To authorize the purchase of certain lands in the district of Alaska.

Karluk Packing Company may purchase certain land in Alaska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Karluk Packing Company, claiming under amended survey numbered twenty-four, in the district of Alaska, or its successor in interest, may purchase the

land embraced in said survey: *Provided*, That there shall be reserved to the United States for the use of the public as a highway a strip of land sixty feet in width, parallel with and as near as may be practicable to the shore line of Shellikoff Straits; and for the purpose of allowing access by the public to the waters of Shellikoff Straits, a strip of land fifty feet in width across said survey shall also be reserved, to be located, as near as practicable, between corners seventeen and thirty of said survey, extending from Shellikoff Straits to the Karluk River, and not to interfere with any existing improvements; and upon payment of the price of two dollars and fifty cents per acre for said land, and submission of proof that said land embraces improvements of the claimant and is needed in the prosecution of its business, patent shall issue as in other cases under section ten of the Act of Congress approved May fourteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, entitled "An Act extending the homestead laws and providing for right of way for railroads in the district of Alaska, and for other purposes;" but the limitation in said Act, that no entry shall extend along the water front for more than one hundred and sixty rods, shall not be held to apply to such entry of the Karluk Packing Company.

Proviso.
Reservation of highway.

Patent.

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Exemption, etc.

Approved, May 21, 1900.

CHAP. 487.—An Act To amend section three thousand and five of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

May 21, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section three thousand and five of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended to read as follows:

Transportation in bond through the United States of merchandise for foreign countries.
R. S., sec. 3005, p. 579, amended.

"SEC. 3005. All merchandise arriving at any port of the United States destined for any foreign country may be entered at the custom-house, and conveyed, in transit, through the territory of the United States, without the payment of duties, under such regulations as to examination and transportation as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe."

SEC. 2. That the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution in reference to the Free Zone along the northern frontier of Mexico and adjacent to the United States," approved March first, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, be, and the same is hereby, repealed, and the full operation of section three thousand and five of the Revised Statutes as existing prior to the adoption of such joint resolution is hereby revived.

Mexican Free Zone.
Repeal.

Vol. 28, p. 973.

Approved, May 21, 1900.

CHAP. 489.—An Act To constitute Durham, North Carolina, a port of delivery in the customs collection district of Pamlico, and to extend the privileges of the seventh section of the Act of Congress approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, to said port.

May 22, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Durham, North Carolina, be, and is hereby, constituted a port of delivery in the customs collection district of Pamlico, and the privileges of the seventh section of the Act of Congress approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, governing the immediate transportation of dutiable merchandise without appraisement, are hereby extended to said port of Durham.

Durham, N. C., made port of delivery.

Immediate transportation privileges.
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