

no sale or entry shall be permitted to land within the limits of the aforesaid Maison Rouge claim until the expiration of the aforesaid three months, and the lands embraced in the aforesaid notices or preëmption applications shall not be liable to sale to other persons as public lands, unless, after the expiration of the aforesaid term of twelve months, it shall be found that no preëmption under this act shall have been established to the same.

Provision for the case of two persons entitled to enter the same subdivision.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That if the residence and improvements of two or more persons entitled to preëmption as aforesaid shall be found on any one of the smallest legal subdivisions of the public lands, the same may be entered jointly by the parties in order that they may secure and divide the same, according to their several rights, and in default of one or more of the parties taking the proper steps within the time prescribed, to secure the benefit of this act, it shall be lawful for any one of the parties of this class to make the entry of the whole of such legal subdivision for his sole benefit.

APPROVED, January 27, 1851.

Feb. 14, 1851.

CHAP. VI. — *An Act to authorize the Exchange of a Lot on the military Site of Fort Hamilton, for an equal Quantity of Ground adjoining said Site.*

Exchange of part of site of Fort Hamilton, New York.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized, under the direction of the President of the United States, to cause to be exchanged a lot of ground, being part of the site of Fort Hamilton, New York, for an equal quantity of ground lying nearer to said fort, and being more valuable for military purposes.

APPROVED, February 14, 1851.

Feb. 14, 1851.

1852, ch. 85.  
1853, ch. 94.

CHAP. VII. — *An Act to settle and adjust the Expenses of the People of Oregon in defending themselves from the Attacks and Hostilities of Cayuse Indians, in the Years eighteen hundred and forty-seven and eighteen hundred and forty-eight.*

Appropriation to pay expense of defending Oregon from the attacks of the Cayuse Indians, in 1847 and 1848.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to settle the actual and necessary expenses incurred by the provisional government of Oregon in defending the people of said Territory from the attacks and hostilities of the Cayuse Indians, in the years eighteen hundred and forty-seven and eighteen hundred and forty-eight, upon the presentation by the governor of said Territory to the said Secretary of the Treasury of a full, accurate, and detailed statement of the actual and necessary expenses of said defence and hostilities, accompanied by proper vouchers and satisfactory proof of the correctness thereof, authenticated in conformity with the usages of the department, and [that] the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to carry the provisions of this act into effect.

APPROVED, February 14, 1851.

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CHAP. VIII. — *An Act to create additional Collection Districts in the Territory of Oregon, and for other Purposes.*

Three collection districts established.

Ports of entry.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in the Territory of Oregon there shall be three collection districts, with a port of entry

to each district, to wit : Umpqua, Oregon, and Puget's Sound. The district of Umpqua shall include all the land, bays, harbors, rivers, and shores embraced in that portion of the Territory aforesaid, lying between the forty-second and forty-fourth degrees of north latitude; and a collector shall be appointed, in pursuance of existing laws for said district; and Scottsville shall be, and is hereby, made a port of entry and delivery for said district, at which the collector shall reside. The district of Oregon shall include all the land, bays, rivers, harbors, and shores embraced within that portion of the Territory of Oregon, lying between the forty-fourth and forty-sixth and a half degrees of north latitude, embracing the coast of the Pacific west of the coast range of mountains, up to the forty-eighth degree of north latitude; and Astoria shall be the port of entry for the district, at which the collector shall reside. The district of Puget's Sound shall include all the land, bays, harbors, rivers, and shores in the Territory, not embraced in either of the before-mentioned districts, to wit : All that portion of the coast lying between the forty-eighth degree of north latitude and the northern boundary of said Territory, and embracing all the land and waters lying north of the forty-sixth and a half degree of latitude, and east of the coast range of mountains; and a collector shall be appointed, in pursuance of existing laws for said district; and Olympia shall be the port of entry and delivery for said district, at which place the collector shall reside. Nasqually and Portland, constituted ports of delivery, with surveyors to reside thereat, in pursuance of the act of Congress, approved fourteenth August, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, shall be continued as ports of delivery for such districts created by this act, within the limits of which they may respectively be situated.

Boundaries of Umpqua District.  
Collector.  
Port of entry.  
Boundaries of Oregon District.  
Port of entry.  
Boundaries of Puget's Sound District.  
Collector.  
Port of entry.  
Nasqually and Portland continued as ports of delivery.  
1848, ch. 177.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the collectors of the districts of Umpqua, Oregon, and Puget's Sound shall be allowed one thousand dollars each per annum, with additional maximum compensation of two thousand dollars each per annum, should their respective official emoluments and fees, provided by existing laws, amount to that sum; and the surveyors at Nasqually and Portland shall be allowed, in addition to the fees authorized by existing laws, a compensation of one thousand dollars each per annum. (a)

Compensation of officers.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That Pacific City, on Baker's Bay, and Milwaukie, on the Willamette River, in the collection district of Oregon, established by this act, are hereby constituted ports of delivery; and surveyors of the customs shall be appointed, in conformity to law, to reside thereat, whose compensations, in addition to the fees authorized by existing laws, shall not exceed one thousand dollars each per annum.

Pacific City and Milwaukie made ports of delivery.  
Surveyors.

APPROVED, February 14, 1851.

CHAP. IX. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish the Territorial Government of Oregon," and "An Act to establish the Territorial Government of Minnesota."*

Feb. 19, 1851.

1848, ch. 177.  
1849, ch. 121.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That, in addition to the number of officers already authorized by law to be employed by the legislative assemblies of Oregon and Minnesota Territories, the said legislative assemblies are hereby authorized, during their sessions, to employ one clerk for each branch thereof, whose pay per diem shall be the same as is now provided by law to be paid other clerks of said legislative assemblies.

Clerk of legislative assemblies of Oregon and Minnesota Territories.

APPROVED, February 19, 1851.

(a) As to the fees allowed to collector and surveyors, see note in vol. III. p. 693, and the acts of 1839, ch. 82, § 3; 1841, ch. 35, § 2; 1846, ch. 7; 1850, ch. 27.