

CHAP. LIII. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act for the Relief of the Inhabitants of Cities and Towns upon the public Lands," approved March two, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.* June 8, 1868.  
1867, ch. 177  
Vol. xiv. p. 541.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the inhabitants of any town located on the public land of the United States may avail themselves, if the town authorities elect so to do, of the provisions of the act of March two, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of cities and towns upon the public lands:" Provided, This act shall not prevent the issuance of patents to persons who have made, or may make, entries and elect to proceed under existing laws: And provided further, That no title under said act of March two, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, shall be acquired to any valid mining claim or possession held under the existing laws of Congress: Provided also, That in addition to the minimum price of the lands included in any town site entered under the provisions of this act and "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of cities and towns upon the public lands," approved March two, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, there shall be paid by the parties availing themselves of the provisions of said acts all costs of surveying and platting any such town site, and expenses incident thereto, incurred by the United States, before any patent shall issue therefor.*

APPROVED, June 8, 1868.

CHAP. LIV. — *An Act to extend the Time for completing the military Road authorized by an Act entitled "An Act granting Lands to the States of Michigan and Wisconsin to aid in the Construction of a military Road from Fort Wilkins, Copper Harbor, Keweenaw County, in the State of Michigan, to Fort Howard, Green Bay, in the State of Wisconsin."* June 8, 1868.  
1863, ch. 104.  
Vol. xii. p. 797.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time for completing the military road, and for the sales of lands, authorized by an act entitled "An act granting lands to the States of Michigan and Wisconsin to aid in the construction of a military road from Fort Wilkins, Copper Harbor, Keweenaw county, in the State of Michigan, to Fort Howard, Green Bay, in the State of Wisconsin," approved March third, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, be, and the same is hereby, extended to March first, eighteen hundred and seventy.*

APPROVED, June 8, 1868.

CHAP. LV. — *An Act to further provide for giving Effect to the various Grants of public Lands to the State of Nevada.* June 8, 1868.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the State of Nevada is authorized to select the alternate even-numbered sections within the limits of any railroad grant in said State, in satisfaction, in whole or in part, of the several grants made in the following acts of Congress, to wit: the act organizing the Territory of Nevada, passed March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-one; the act admitting the State of Nevada into the Union, passed March twenty-one, eighteen hundred and sixty-four; and the act concerning certain lands granted to Nevada, passed July fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six: Provided, That this privilege shall not extend to lands upon which there may be rightful claims under the pre-emption and homestead laws: And provided, That if lands be selected, the minimum price of which is two dollars and fifty cents per acre, each acre so selected shall be taken by the State in satisfaction of two acres, the minimum price of which is one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre: And provided further, That the lands granted in the eighth and ninth sections of the said act admitting Nevada into the Union shall be selected within four years from the passage of this act, and the period for the selection of said lands is hereby so extended.*

Inhabitants of towns, &c. may enter public lands occupied as town sites at minimum price, &c. if authorities so elect to do.

Patents to issue to those making entries under existing laws.

No title given to valid mining claim.

Costs of survey, &c. to be paid.

Time of completing military road, &c. extended.

Selection of lands by Nevada under railroad grants by Congress. 1864, ch. 36. Vol. xiii. p. 30. 1866, ch. 166. Vol. xiv. p. 85.

Pre-emption and homestead. Land taken at minimum price of \$ 2.50 per acre to equal two acres at \$ 1.25 per acre.

Certain selections when to be made.