

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,
February 24, 1869.

The Senate having proceeded, in pursuance of the Constitution, to reconsider the bill entitled "An act regulating the duties on imported copper and copper ores," returned to the House of Representatives by the President of the United States; with his objections, and sent by the House of Representatives to the Senate, with the message of the President returning the bill:

Resolved, That the bill do pass, two thirds of the Senate agreeing to pass the same.

Attest ·

GEO. C. GORHAM,
Secretary of the Senate, U. S.

CHAP. XLVI. — *An Act making Appropriations (in part) for the Expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling Treaty Stipulations.* Feb. 25, 1869.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sum be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose hereinafter expressed:

For the relief of the Yancton Sioux tribe of Indians, in Dakota Territory, in fulfilling treaty stipulations where the money has been misappropriated, to be expended under the direction of the governor and acting superintendent of Indian affairs of Dakota Territory, and to be considered as an offset against any claim these Indians may have against the government for services during the late war, ten thousand dollars.

Appropriation for Yancton Sioux tribe of Indians;

to be considered as an offset to claims.

APPROVED, February 25, 1869.

CHAP. XLVII. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to confirm certain private Land Claims in the Territory of New Mexico."* Feb. 25, 1869.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the exterior lines of the Cornelio Vigil and Cram St. Vrain claims of eleven leagues each, subject to claims derived from said parties as confirmed by the act of Congress approved twenty-first June, eighteen hundred and sixty, United States Statutes, volume twelve, page seventy-one, shall be adjusted according to the lines of the public surveys, as nearly as practicable, with the limits of said claims, yet in as compact a form as possible; and the claims of all actual settlers upon the tracts heretofore claimed by the said Vigil and St. Vrain, holding possession under titles or promises to settle, which have been made by said Vigil and St. Vrain, or their legal representatives prior to the passage of this act, who may establish their claims within one year from the passage of this act, to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of the proper land district, shall in like manner be adjusted according to the subdivisional lines of survey, so as to include the lands so settled upon or purchased, and the areas of the same shall be deducted and excluded from the adjusted limits of the claims of said Vigil and St. Vrain respectively; and the claims of all other actual settlers falling within the limits of the located claims of Vigil and St. Vrain shall be adjusted to the extent which shall embrace their several settlements upon their several claims being established either as pre-emption or homesteads, according to law; and for the aggregate of the areas of the latter class of claims the said Vigil and St. Vrain, or their legal representatives, shall be entitled to locate a like quantity of public lands, not mineral, according to the lines of the public surveys, and not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres in one section.

1860, ch. 167. Vol. xii. p. 71.

Claims of Cornelio Vigil and Cram St. Vrain to be adjusted;

of all actual settlers on, &c.

Homestead and pre-emption claims.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the general land office to cause the lines of the public surveys to be run in the Lines of public surveys to be run.

regions where a proper location would place the said Vigil and St. Vrain claims, and that the expense of the same shall be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; yet, before the confirmation of the said act of June twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty, shall become legally effective, the said Vigil and St. Vrain, or their legal representatives, shall pay the cost of so much of said surveys as enures to their benefit respectively, and that all settlers of the said third class, whose claims may be adjusted as valid, shall have the right to enter their improvements by a strict compliance with the pre-emption or homestead laws.

Cost thereof.
Improvements
of certain set-
tlers.

Plats to claim-
ants.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That upon the adjustment of the Vigil and St. Vrain claims according to the provisions of this act, it shall be the duty of the surveyor-general of the district to furnish proper approved plats to said claimants, or their legal representatives, and so in like manner to said derivative claimants, which shall be evidence of title, the same to be done according to such instructions as may be given by the commissioner of the general land office.

Surveyor-gen-
eral to give
notice that the
survey is being
made.

Claimants to
select and locate
claims within,
&c. three
months, or be
held to have
abandoned them.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That immediately upon running the lines as provided in section second of this act, the surveyor-general of said district shall notify the said Vigil and St. Vrain, or their agents or legal representatives, of the fact of such survey being made, and said claimants shall, within three months after notice of such survey, select and locate their said claims in accordance with such survey and the provisions of this act and of the act to which this is amendatory, so far as the same is not changed by this act, and shall within said time furnish the surveyor-general with the description of such location, specifying the lines of the same. And the party failing to make such selection and location, in such manner and within such time, shall be deemed and held to have abandoned their claim, and their rights and equities under this act, and the act to which this is amendatory, shall cease and terminate.

No suit to be
brought if, &c.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That in case of the neglect or refusal of the said Vigil and St. Vrain, or either of them, to accept of the provisions of this act, and the act to which this is amendatory, and to locate their said claims, as provided therein, no suit shall be brought or proceedings instituted in any of the courts of the United States, by such party or by any one claiming through or under them, to establish or enforce said claims, or for any cause of action founded upon the same, after six months from the passage of this act.

APPROVED, February 25, 1869.

March 1, 1869.

CHAP. XLVIII. — *An Act making Appropriations for the Naval Service for the Year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy.*

Navy appro-
priation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and seventy:

Pay of officers
and seamen.

For pay of commission, warrant, and petty officers and seamen, seven millions of dollars.

Bureau of
yards and
docks.

Bureau of Yards and Docks. — For contingent expenses that may accrue for the following purposes, viz:

For freight and transportation; for printing, advertising, and stationery; for books, models, and drawings; for the purchase and repair of fire-engines; for machinery of every description; for purchase and maintenance of oxen and horses, and driving teams; for carts, timber-wheels, and workmen's tools; for telegrams and postage of letters on public service; for furniture for government offices and houses; for candles, oil, and gas; for cleaning and clearing up yards; for flags, awnings, and packing-boxes;