

Whereas said arms were used by Government officials in maintaining the authority of the United States and were never turned over to the State of Kansas: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chief of the Ordnance Bureau of the War Department be, and he is hereby, directed to cause the State of Kansas to be credited on its ordnance-account with the amounts now charged against it for arms and ordnance stores issued to the Territory of Kansas upon the return to the United States by the State of Kansas, of all such arms and other ordnance-stores as may have come into its possession as the successor of said Territory.

Approved, August 15, 1876.

Kansas to be credited for certain ordnance-stores.

CHAP. 306.—An act to amend an act entitled "An act authorizing the repavement of Pennsylvania Avenue"

Aug. 15, 1876.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That that part of section five of an act entitled "An act authorizing the repavement of Pennsylvania Avenue" approved July nineteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, which reads as follows: "*Provided* That said pavement shall be fully completed and ready for use December first eighteen hundred and seventy-six" be, and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows: "*Provided,* That the said pavement shall be fully completed and ready for use January fifteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven."

Approved, August 15, 1876.

Ante, p. 93.
Post, p. 223.

Pavement of Pennsylvania avenue, when to be completed.

CHAP. 307.—An act to create an additional land office at Colfax, Whitman County, Washington Territory.

Aug. 15, 1876.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish an additional land-district in the Territory of Washington, which district shall be bounded as follows, namely: commencing at a point where the Columbia guide-meridian intersects the third standard parallel in said Territory; thence east along the line of said standard parallel to where the same intersects Snake River; thence along said Snake River to where the same intersects the boundary-line between Washington Territory and Idaho Territory; thence north on said boundary-line to where the same intersects the boundary-line between Washington Territory and British Columbia; thence west along said line to where the same intersects the aforementioned Columbia guide-meridian; thence south along the line of said meridian to the place of beginning. Said district, as above bounded, shall be known and designated as the Whitman district, and the office of said district shall be located at the town of Colfax, or at such place as the President may direct, in the Territory of Washington; and the President of the United States shall have power to change the location of said land-office, in said Territory, from time to time, as the public interests may seem to require.

Whitman land-district created.

Boundaries.

Name of district.
Location of office.

SEC. 2. That the President is hereby authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, or during the recess thereof, a register and a receiver for the district hereby created, who shall each reside in the place where said land-office is located, and shall have the same powers, responsibilities, and emoluments, and be subject to the same acts and penalties, which are or may be prescribed by law in relation to other land-officers in said Territory.

Register and receiver to be appointed.

Powers, etc.

SEC. 3. That the public lands in said district shall be subject to sale and disposal upon the same terms and conditions as other public lands of the United States: *Provided,* That all sales and locations made at the office of the old district of land situated within the limits of the new

Public lands in, to be subject to sale.
Proviso.

district, which shall be valid and right in other respects up to the day on which the new office shall go into operation, be, and the same are hereby confirmed.

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CHAP. 308.—An act to provide for the sale of a portion of the reservation of the confederated Otoe and Missouri and the Sac and Fox of the Missouri Tribes of Indians in the States of Kansas and Nebraska.

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Otoe and Missouri reservation in Kansas and Nebraska may be surveyed.

To be appraised:

Part to be sold for cash.

May be sold on time.

Price.

Disposition of proceeds.

Ante, p. 187.

Pay of appraisers.

Plats and notebooks.

Fees.

Sac and Fox reservation in Kansas and Nebraska may be sold on same terms.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, with the consent of the Otoe and Missouri tribes of Indians expressed in open council, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to cause to be surveyed the reservation of said Indians lying in the States of Kansas and Nebraska.

SEC. 2. That the lands so surveyed shall be appraised by three commissioners, one of whom shall be designated by said Indians in open council, and the other two by the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 3. That after the survey and appraisement of said lands, the Secretary of the Interior shall be, and is hereby, authorized to offer one hundred and twenty thousand acres from the western side of the same for sale, through the United States public land-office, at Beatrice, Nebraska, for cash to actual settlers only, in tracts not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres to each purchaser: *Provided*, That if, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Interior, it shall be more advantageous to sell said lands upon deferred payments, he may, with the consent of the Indians expressed in open council, dispose of the same upon the following terms as to payments, that is to say, one-third in cash, one-third in one year, and one-third in two years from date of sale, with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum: *And provided further*, That no portion of said land shall be sold at less than the appraised value thereof, and in no case less than two dollars and fifty cents per acre.

SEC. 4. That the proceeds of said sale shall be placed to the credit of said Indians in the Treasury of the United States, and bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum which income shall be expended for the benefit of said tribes under direction of the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 5. That the commissioners for the appraisement of said lands shall be paid for their services at the rate of five dollars per day while actually employed, and their actual expenses; which sum, together with the cost of survey, and all other necessary incidental expenses of the execution of this act, shall be paid from the money realized by the sale of said lands.

SEC. 6. That certified copies of the plats and field-notes of said lands when surveyed shall be prepared under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, and kept in the land-office at Beatrice, Nebraska, to be used as other official plats and notes; and the register and the receiver shall be allowed such fees only for the sale of said lands as are now authorized by law in case of sales of public lands of the United States, to be paid out of the moneys arising from the sale thereof.

SEC. 7. That whenever the Sac and Fox of the Missouri tribe of Indians shall, in open council in the usual manner, express their consent thereto, the Secretary of the Interior shall be, and hereby is, authorized, in like manner and upon the same terms prescribed in the preceding sections of this act, to cause to be offered for sale a portion of their reservation lying in the States of Kansas and Nebraska, not exceeding in quantity ten sections of land to be taken from the western portion thereof; and the proceeds arising therefrom shall be used for the benefit of said tribe as the Secretary of the Interior may direct.

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T. W. FERRY

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