

CHAP. 66.—An act to provide for the sale or exchange of a certain piece of land in the Wallabout Bay, in the State of New York, to the city of Brooklyn.

Feb. 26, 1877.

Whereas, the United States Government owns certain lands in the city of Brooklyn, in the State of New York, that are unoccupied, are partly under water, and are not needed for Government use; and

Unoccupied lands of United States in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Whereas the city of Brooklyn is without an available site for a public market for the accommodation of its inhabitants, and has appealed to its representatives in Congress to secure a site for such building on the lands of the United States at Wallabout Bay; Therefore,

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, empowered, and directed to organize a commission of three members. The commission when organized shall proceed to arrange equitable terms, conditions and considerations for the conveyance, to the city of Brooklyn, of all that certain piece or parcel of land partly under water, situate in Wallabout Bay, in the State of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the northerly side of Flushing avenue with the westerly side of Washington avenue; running thence westerly along the northerly side of Flushing avenue five hundred and sixty feet to the westerly side of Clinton avenue; thence northerly in a straight line in continuation of the westerly line of Clinton avenue sixteen hundred and fifty feet to tide water; thence easterly along the water-front to the westerly side of Washington avenue; and thence southerly along the westerly side of Washington avenue fourteen hundred and seventy-five feet to the point or place of beginning, be any or all of the said several dimensions more or less; the land being bounded on the north by Wallabout Bay; on the east by Washington avenue; on the south by Flushing avenue; and on the west by Clinton avenue.

Commission to arrange conveyance.

Description.

SEC. 2. That when the commission, or a majority of its members, shall have agreed on the consideration, terms, and conditions of sale, they shall report their conclusions to the Secretary of the Navy, who shall lay them before Congress at the beginning of its next session, and if Congress shall ratify the same, and authorize it to be done, the Secretary of the Navy shall make, execute and deliver to the city of Brooklyn a good and sufficient deed of conveyance of the land above described, or such part thereof as the said commissioners may recommend the sale of, as soon as the terms agreed upon shall have been complied with.

Report of commissioners, and of Secretary of Navy.

Conveyance.

Approved, February 26, 1877.

CHAP. 67.—An act to refund to the mayor and city council of Baltimore certain moneys illegally assessed and collected for internal-revenue tax.

Feb. 27, 1877.

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 required to pay to the mayor and city council of Baltimore the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred dollars, which sum, due the said mayor and city council as interest from the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, was collected from said company illegally as an internal revenue tax, by Joseph J. Lewis, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, on the nineteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-four; the same to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation. To pay city of Baltimore.

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CHAP. 68.—An act to provide for changing and fixing the boundaries of certain property ceded to the Government of the United States by the city of Memphis, Tennessee.

Feb. 27, 1877.

Whereas, the corporate authorities of the city of Memphis in the State of Tennessee, are desirous, in order to render the same more eligible and suitable for the purpose intended, of enlarging, changing,

Preamble.