

and distributed to said tribe annually in like manner: *Provided, however,* That the interest of the purchaser in lands on which the payment of the purchase money is hereby extended shall be subject to taxation in the State in which they are situated, but any lien created thereby shall be subject to the lien of the United States for the unpaid purchase money, but this Act shall be of no force and effect until the consent thereto of the Omaha Indians shall be obtained in such manner and under such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe: *And provided,* That the said Act of August seventh, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, except as changed or modified by this Act, shall remain in full force and effect.

Taxation of lands.

Prior act to remain in effect.

Approved, August 11, 1894.

CHAP. 256.—An Act To make the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, a subport of entry.

August 11, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, be, and the same is hereby, made a subport of entry in the district of San Francisco, with the privileges of section seven of an Act entitled "An Act to amend the statutes in relation to immediate transportation of dutiable goods, and for other purposes," approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty.

Oakland, Cal.
Made subport of entry.

Immediate transportation privileges.
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Approved, August 11, 1894.

CHAP. 278.—An Act To provide an American register for the steamer S. Oteri.

August 13, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built steamer S. Oteri, owned by Salvador Oteri, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Orleans, Louisiana, and repaired in United States ports, to be registered as a vessel of the United States.

"S. Oteri."
American register to foreign-built steamer.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to cause the inspection of said vessel, steam boilers, steam pipes, and their appurtenances, and cause to be granted the usual certificate issued to steam vessels of the merchant marine, without reference to the fact that said steam boilers, steam pipes, and appurtenances were not constructed pursuant to the laws of the United States and were not constructed of iron stamped pursuant to said laws; and the tests in the inspection of said boilers, steam pipes, and appurtenances shall be the same in all respects as to strength and safety as are required in the inspection of boilers constructed in the United States for marine purposes.

Inspection.

Approved, August 13, 1894.

CHAP. 279.—An Act To provide for the payment of the eight per centum greenback certificates of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes

August 13, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Treasurer of the United States is hereby directed to pay to the owners, holders, or assignees of all board of audit certificates redeemed by him under the Act approved June sixteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, the residue of two and thirty-five hundredths per centum per annum of unpaid legal rate interest due upon said certificates from their date up to the date of approval of said Act providing for their redemption.

District of Columbia.
Payment of legal interest, board of audit certificates, to date for redemption.
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Redemption of 8 per cent greenback bonds.

Interest.

Sale of 3.65 bonds.

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the United States is hereby directed to redeem and pay all the remaining outstanding bonds of the District of Columbia, known as the "greenback eight per centum bonds," with interest, as specified in said bonds, from the date of issue to the date of maturity thereof and with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from the date of their maturity to the date of the approval of this Act. The Treasurer of the United States is hereby directed to sell sufficient amount of the unissued three-sixty-five bonds of the District of Columbia to cover the provisions of this Act.

Approved, August 13, 1894.

August 13, 1894.

CHAP. 280.—An Act For the protection of persons furnishing materials and labor for the construction of public works.

Contractors on public works.
Penal bond to include security for labor and materials.

Action on bond for labor or materials furnished.

Proviso.
Expense.

Costs.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter any person or persons entering into a formal contract with the United States for the construction of any public building, or the prosecution and completion of any public work or for repairs upon any public building or public work, shall be required before commencing such work to execute the usual penal bond, with good and sufficient sureties, with the additional obligations that such contractor or contractors shall promptly make payments to all persons supplying him or them labor and materials in the prosecution of the work provided for in such contract; and any person or persons making application therefor, and furnishing affidavit to the Department under the direction of which said work is being, or has been, prosecuted, that labor or materials for the prosecution of such work has been supplied by him or them, and payment for which has not been made, shall be furnished with a certified copy of said contract and bond, upon which said person or persons supplying such labor and materials shall have a right of action, and shall be authorized to bring suit in the name of the United States for his or their use and benefit against said contractor and sureties and to prosecute the same to final judgment and execution: *Provided,* That such action and its prosecutions shall involve the United States in no expense.

SEC. 2. Provided that in such case the court in which such action is brought is authorized to require proper security for costs in case judgment is for the defendant.

Approved, August 13, 1894.

August 13, 1894.

CHAP. 281.—An Act To subject to State taxation national bank notes and United States Treasury notes.

State taxation of national currency and United States notes authorized.

Proviso.
To be taxed as other money.

Existing laws.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That circulating notes of national banking associations and United States legal tender notes and other notes and certificates of the United States payable on demand and circulating or intended to circulate as currency and gold, silver or other coin shall be subject to taxation as money on hand or on deposit under the laws of any State or Territory: *Provided,* That any such taxation shall be exercised in the same manner and at the same rate that any such State or Territory shall tax money or currency circulating as money within its jurisdiction.

SEC. 2. That the provisions of this Act shall not be deemed or held to change existing laws in respect of the taxation of national banking associations.

Approved, August 13, 1894.