

SEC. 6. That the foregoing provisions of this Act shall take effect only upon the acceptance thereof and consent thereto by a majority of all the male adult Indians now located or residing upon the reservation, which acceptance shall be at once obtained under such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

Consent of Indians.

Approved, February 20, 1895.

CHAP. 114.—An Act For the relief of certain Winnebago Indians in Minnesota.

February 20, 1895.

Whereas by the fourth section of an Act entitled "An Act for the removal of the Winnebago Indians, and for the sale of their reservation in Minnesota for their benefit," approved February twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, it was made the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to allot to said Indians in severalty "lands which they may respectively cultivate and improve, not exceeding eighty acres to each head of a family other than to the chiefs to whom larger allotments may be made, which lands, when so allotted, shall be vested in said Indian and his heirs, without the right of alienation, and shall be evidenced by patent;" and

Preamble.

Vol. 12, p. 659.

Whereas by the ninth section of the Indian appropriation Act approved July fifteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy, the Secretary of the Interior was "directed to cause to be investigated and to determine the claims of certain Indians of the Winnebago tribe now lawfully residing in the State of Minnesota; to issue patents, without the right of alienation, to those of them whom he shall find to be entitled thereto for the lands heretofore allotted to them in severalty," and so forth; and

Vol. 16, p. 361.

Whereas by the Indian appropriation Act approved May twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, it was declared to be the intention and meaning of said ninth and tenth sections of the Act of eighteen hundred and seventy "to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Interior to cause to be patented to each and every Winnebago Indian lawfully resident in the State of Minnesota at the date of this Act, in accordance with the conditions of said two sections, an allotment of land," and so forth; and

Vol. 17, p. 185.

Whereas such a restriction for all time, without the right of alienation, by anyone, under any circumstances, is an entailment upon the land, which it is not deemed to be desirable: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fourth and ninth sections of the Acts of eighteen hundred and sixty-three and eighteen hundred and seventy, respectively, so far as they relate to the lands of the Winnebago Indians in Minnesota, be, and the same are hereby, modified so as to permit the alienation and conveyance of said lands, with the consent and approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

Winnebago Indians,
Minn.
Permitted to alien
lands.

Approved, February 20, 1895.

CHAP. 115.—An Act Granting cannon to the historical museum, Des Moines, Iowa.

February 21, 1895.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to supply the Iowa Historical Museum, Des Moines, Iowa, on the request of the governor, with two condemned cannon and one condemned seacoast mortar from the Portsmouth Navy-Yard, New Hampshire, the State of Iowa to pay all the expenses of transportation, and so forth.

Condemned naval
cannon to Des Moines,
Iowa.

Approved, February 21, 1895.