

Rules and regulations.

Secretary of Treasury may terminate lease and for what cause.

Fur-seal skins now stored on the islands may be delivered to owners on payment of, &c.

Any district court of the United States in California, Oregon, or Washington, to have jurisdiction of offences, &c.

1868, ch. 273, § 7. Vol. xv. p. 241. Prosecutions.

This act may be altered, &c.

authorized to make all needful rules and regulations for the collection and payment of the same, for the comfort, maintenance, education, and protection of the natives of said islands, and also for carrying into full effect all the provisions of this act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Treasury may terminate any lease given to any person, company, or corporation on full and satisfactory proof of the violation of any of the provisions of this act or the rules and regulations established by him: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to deliver to the owners the fur-seal skins now stored on the islands, on the payment of one dollar for each of said skins taken and shipped away by said owners.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of the seventh and eighth sections of "An act to extend the laws of the United States relating to customs, commerce, and navigation over the territory ceded to the United States by Russia, to establish a collection district therein, and for other purposes," approved July twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, shall be deemed to apply to this act; and all prosecutions for offences committed against the provisions of this act, and all other proceedings had because of the violations of the provisions of this act, and which are authorized by said act above mentioned, shall be in accordance with the provisions thereof; and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the Congress may at any time hereafter alter, amend, or repeal this act.

APPROVED, July 1, 1870.

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CHAP. CXC. — *An Act to create a Port of Delivery at Vallejo, California.*

Vallejo, in California, made a port of delivery.

Surveyor of customs. 1831, ch. 87. Vol. iv. p. 480.

Certain vessels may proceed directly to Vallejo and report to collector at San Francisco.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That Vallejo, in the State of California, shall be, and is hereby, constituted a port of delivery, within the collection district of San Francisco, and there shall be appointed a surveyor of customs, to reside at said port, who shall perform the duties and receive the compensation and emoluments prescribed in the act of Congress, approved March two, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, being "An act allowing the duties on foreign merchandise imported into Pittsburg, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville, Saint Louis, Nashville, and Natchez, to be secured and paid at those places."

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That any vessel of five hundred tons, or over, coming from or going to sea, may proceed directly to or from Vallejo, and report through said surveyor to the collector of customs at San Francisco, and avoid the risk, expenses, and delay, by anchoring there.

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CHAP. CXCI. — *An Act to confirm Entries of public Land in certain Cases in the State of Alabama.*

Certain entries of public lands in Alabama confirmed. 1854, ch. 244. Vol. x. p. 574.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in cases where entries were made in the State of Alabama under the act of Congress approved the fourth of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, entitled "An act to graduate and reduce the price of the public lands to actual settlers and cultivators," and the parties in good faith went upon the land embraced in their entries, and became actual settlers and cultivators thereof, according to the requirements of the law, but were afterward forced to abandon their homes on the land, in consequence of the disturbed condition of the country during the late war, their entries shall be confirmed and patented to them, their heirs or assigns, respectively, notwithstanding such abandonment, on satisfactory proof of the facts being produced to the commission-

er of the general land office, within twelve months from the approval of this act: *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to confirm any entries which have heretofore been annulled and vacated by said commissioner, on account of fraud, evasion of law, or other special cause: *And provided further*, That this act shall not affect the rights of subsequent purchasers in good faith.

Provisos.

APPROVED, July 1, 1870.

CHAP. CXCII. — *An Act to repeal certain Sections of Acts passed by the territorial Legislature of Wyoming.* July 1, 1870.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following sections of acts, passed by the legislature of the Territory of Wyoming, to wit: The fourth and sixth sections of an act entitled "An act providing for the collection of taxes heretofore assessed and levied in this Territory"; also sections forty-nine to fifty-nine, both inclusive, of an act entitled "An act to create and regulate corporations," be, and the same are hereby, disapproved, repealed, and declared null and void.

Sections of certain acts of the legislature of Wyoming declared null.

APPROVED, July 1, 1870.

CHAP. CXCIII. — *An Act for the Relief of the Inhabitants of Salt Lake City, in the Territory of Utah.* July 1, 1870.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the words "not exceeding five thousand in all," contained in an act entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of cities and towns upon the public lands," approved March two, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, shall not apply to Salt Lake City, in the Territory of Utah; but said act shall be so amended and construed in its application to said city that lands may be entered as provided in said act for the full number of inhabitants contained in said city not exceeding fifteen thousand; and as the said city covers school section number thirty-six, in township number one north, of range number one west, the same may be embraced in such entry, and indemnity shall be given therefor when a grant shall be made by Congress of sections sixteen and thirty-six, in the Territory of Utah, for school purposes.

Authorities of Salt Lake City may enter public lands and to what amount under act 1867, ch. 177. Vol. xiv. p. 541.

School section may be included.

Indemnity therefor.

APPROVED, July 1, 1870.

CHAP. CXCIV. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to carry into Effect Provisions of the Treaties between the United States, China, Japan, Siam, Persia, and other Countries, giving certain judicial Powers to Ministers and Consuls and other Functionaries of the United States in those Countries, and for other Purposes," approved June twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty.* July 1, 1870.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the act of Congress entitled "An act to carry into effect provisions of the treaties between the United States, China, Japan, Siam, Persia, and other countries, giving certain judicial powers to ministers and consuls, or other functionaries of the United States in those countries, and for other purposes," approved June twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty, as far as the same is in conformity with the stipulations of the treaty with Madagascar, is hereby extended to that country, and it shall be executed in conformity with the provisions of the treaty and the usages of Christian nations in such cases; and the act shall, in the same manner, extend to any country of like character with which the United States may hereafter enter into treaty relations.

Act giving certain judicial powers to ministers and consuls extended to Madagascar, and how to be executed; Vol. xv. p. 491.

extended to certain other countries.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the superior judicial authority conferred on the consul-general or consul residing at the capital of any country mentioned in such act, or herein provided for, including the power to make decrees and regulations, is hereby vested in the Secretary of State for the time being.

Certain superior judicial authority vested in the Secretary of State.