

commissioners, and if said railroad company shall not construct that portion of said work with the same material, except between the rails and between the tracks, and in as satisfactory a manner, and as rapidly as the residue of said work shall be constructed, then the same shall be constructed under the direction of said commissioners in the same manner as the other portion of said work. The said railroad company shall have the right to select the material with which the pavement between the rails and between the tracks shall be made: *Provided*, That the said pavement on said tracks shall be made to the satisfaction of the commissioners. The lessees of Market Square between Seventh and Ninth streets shall pay for that portion of the pavement between said square and the line two feet from the railroad track aforesaid. The portion of the pavement lying between the Botanic gardens and a line two feet outside of the track of the railroad company shall be paid for by the United States government: *Provided*, That the cost of laying such pavement shall not exceed the sum of four dollars per square yard.

portion of pavement, if, &c.;

and select the material.

Proviso.

Lessees of Market square to pay part. United States to pay part.

Cost not to exceed, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the assessment contemplated in the foregoing section shall be made by the commission above authorized, and the sums so found due shall be collected and held, but as a special fund, by the collector of Washington, in accordance with existing laws; and the moneys so collected and held shall be paid by him to the contractors for the work above authorized on the warrant or order of the said commission, in such amounts and at such times as they may deem safe and proper in view of the progress of the work.

Assessment to be made by commission, and sums due how collected, held, &c.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That if the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company, or any private citizen, or other corporation or person, shall neglect or refuse to pay the amount assessed for the paving herein authorized (within thirty days after the notification of such assessment shall have been left at the property assessed) in front of or adjoining their property, when the work so fronting or adjoining their property shall have been completed to the satisfaction of the commission and assessed by them, the said commission shall issue certificates of indebtedness against the property, which certificates shall bear interest at the rate of ten per centum per annum until paid, and which, until they are paid, shall remain and be a lien upon the property on or against which they are issued. And if the said certificates are not paid within one year, the said commission shall, upon the application of the holder thereof, proceed to sell the property against which they are issued, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay said tax, such sales to be first duly advertised, daily, for three successive weeks, in some newspaper published in the city of Washington, and to be made at public auction to the highest bidder; and a deed given by the commission in pursuance hereof shall be deemed and held to be a good and perfect title to any property bought at such sale hereby authorized: *Provided*, That the owner of said real estate shall have the right to redeem the property sold by paying the amount of purchase money and twenty per centum on the amount of the said purchase within one year from the date of the sale.

Proceedings if parties neglect to pay assessment when due.

Certificate of indebtedness against the property, and to be a lien; if not paid in a year, property to be sold, &c.

Proceedings in such case.

Right of redemption.

APPROVED, July 8, 1870.

CHAP. CCXXIX. — *An Act providing for refunding the Interest paid by the State of Massachusetts on Money expended by her on Account of the War of eighteen hundred and twelve to eighteen hundred and fifteen.* July 8, 1870.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That there be allowed on the claim of the State of Massachusetts, for interest paid by her on money expended by said State on account of the war with Great Britain in eighteen hundred and twelve to eighteen hundred and fifteen, the sum Allowance to be made upon the claim of Massachusetts for interest upon money expended, &c.

of six hundred and seventy-eight thousand three hundred and sixty-two dollars and forty-one cents, in full of said claim; and whereas by an arrangement made by the said State of Massachusetts and the State of Maine, at the time of their separation, in eighteen hundred and twenty, the said State of Maine becomes the owner of one third of this claim; and whereas both of said States have assigned their respective interests in said claim to the European and North American Railway Company of Maine, to aid said company in constructing its line of railway, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to pay one third part of the said claim of six hundred and seventy-eight thousand three hundred and sixty-two dollars and forty-one cents to the State of Maine, and the other two thirds part thereof to the State of Massachusetts, by an issue to each of said States for the use and benefit of said European and North American Railway Company, of an amount of United States certificates of indebtedness equal to its share in the whole sum allowed and to be paid; said certificates to be of the denomination of one thousand dollars each, to be made and issued by the Secretary of the Treasury in such form, and signed, attested, and registered as he shall direct, and with or without interest warrants as he may prefer. Each certificate to run five years from its date, to draw interest, payable semiannually, at the rate of four per centum per annum, and to be payable, both principal and interest, in lawful money of the United States, to be hereafter appropriated and provided for by Congress.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the acceptance by the said States of Massachusetts and Maine and the said European and North American Railway Company of the amount hereby authorized to be paid to each of said States for the use and benefit of said railway company shall be held and regarded as a full adjustment and payment of any and all claims for interest as aforesaid, and also a complete adjustment, liquidation, and payment of any and all other claims of the said States of Massachusetts and Maine, and of said railway company, or either of them, against the United States for and on account of any matters arising from any money expended by said State of Massachusetts on account of the war with Great Britain, in eighteen hundred and twelve to eighteen hundred and fifteen, or any interest thereon, or on account of any matters arising out of or accruing from the treaty with Great Britain known as the treaty of Washington, or for or on account of any other matters which have been assigned by said States of Massachusetts and Maine to said railway company.

APPROVED, July 8, 1870.

July 8, 1870. CHAP. CCXXX.—*An Act to revise, consolidate, and amend the Statutes relating to Patents and Copyrights.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That there shall be attached to the Department of the Interior the office, heretofore established, known as the patent office, wherein all records, books, models, drawings, specifications, and other papers and things pertaining to patents shall be safely kept and preserved.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the officers and employees of said office shall continue to be: one commissioner of patents, one assistant commissioner, and three examiners-in-chief, to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; one chief clerk, one examiner in charge of interferences, twenty-two principal examiners, twenty-two first-assistant examiners, twenty-two second assistant examiners, one librarian, one machinist, five clerks of class four, six clerks of class three, fifty clerks of class two, forty-five clerks of class one, and one messenger and purchasing clerk, all of whom shall be appointed

One third to be paid to Maine and two thirds to Massachusetts, and all for the benefit of the European and North American Railway Co.

Certificates of indebtedness, form, interest, &c.

All claims by Massachusetts, Maine, &c. for, &c. to be liquidated hereby.

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Patent office attached to Department of the Interior.

Officers and employees of patent office. Appointments by the President;

by the Secretary of the Interior upon nomination of commissioner of patents.