

Section added to former act. to reduce the expenses of the survey and sale of the public lands in the United States," approved May thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following additional section, to be numbered as section eleven, viz? :—

Deposits made by settlers for public surveys to go for part payment of lands.

"SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That in all cases where settlers shall make deposits in accordance with this act, to the credit of the United States, for public surveys, such amounts so deposited shall go in part payment for their lands situated in the townships, the surveying of which is paid for out of said deposits; and effect shall be given to this act by regulations to be prescribed by the commissioner of the general land office.

APPROVED, March 3, 1871.

March 3, 1871. CHAP. CXXVIII. — *An Act to extend the Time for the Reversion to the United States of the Lands granted by Congress to the State of Michigan to aid in the Construction of a Railroad from Pere Marquette to Flint, in said State, and for other Purposes.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time specified in the fourth section of the act of Congress, approved June third, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An act making a grant of alternate sections of the public lands to the State of Michigan to aid in the construction of certain railroads in said State, and for other purposes," for the reversion to the United States of the lands granted by said act to aid in the construction of a railroad from Pere Marquette to Flint, and for the completion of said road, be, and the same is hereby, further extended for the period of five years from and after the passage of this act.

Time for reversion of lands granted to Michigan for railroad from Pere Marquette to Flint extended five years.
1856, ch. 44, § 4.
Vol. xi. p. 22.

SEC. 2. That the State of Michigan may authorize the sale of sixty sections of the land granted to aid the construction of said railroad from Pere Marquette to Flint, whenever and as often as the governor of said State shall certify that ten additional miles of said railroad is completed and in running order as a first-class railroad: *Provided*, That said lands authorized to be sold as aforesaid shall include only lands situated opposite to and coterminous with the completed sections: *And provided*, That in case said railroad shall not be fully completed from Flint to Lake Michigan within the time as extended by this act, all the lands included in said grant to which the right to sell shall not then have attached shall revert to the United States.

APPROVED, March 3, 1871.

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CHAP. CXXIX. — *An Act confirming the Title to certain Lands.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the title to the land certified to the State of Iowa by the commissioner of the general land office of the United States, under an act of Congress entitled "An act confirming a land claim in the State of Iowa, and for other purposes," approved July twelve, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, in accordance with the adjustment made by the authorized agent of the State of Iowa and the commissioner of the general land office, on the twenty-first day of May, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on the twenty-second day of May, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and which adjustment was ratified and confirmed by act of the general assembly of the State of Iowa, approved March thirty-one, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, be, and the same is hereby, ratified and confirmed to the State of Iowa and its grantees in accordance with said adjustment and said act of the general assembly of the State of Iowa: *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to affect adversely any existing legal rights or the rights of

Existing legal rights, &c. not affected.

any party claiming title or the right to acquire title to any part of said lands under the provisions of the so-called homestead or pre-empted laws of the United States, or claiming any part thereof as swamp lands.

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CHAP. CXXX. — *An Act to create Ports of Delivery at Eureka and Wilmington, in California, and provide for Appointment of Deputy Collector of Vallejo, California, and to abolish the Office of Surveyor of said Port.* March 3, 1871.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Eureka, in the county of Humboldt, and Wilmington, in the county of Los Angeles, State of California, shall be, and are hereby, respectively, constituted ports of delivery, within the collection district of San Francisco; and there may be appointed a deputy collector of customs for each of said ports, who shall perform the duties of such office and receive the compensation of one thousand five hundred dollars per annum as salary.

Eureka and Wilmington, in California, made ports of delivery. Deputy collector, duties, pay, &c.

SEC. 2. That any vessel of one hundred tons, or over, coming from or going to sea, may proceed directly to or from Eureka or Wilmington, and report, through the deputy collector of said port, to the collector of customs at San Francisco.

Certain vessels may proceed directly, &c.

SEC. 3. That the office of surveyor of customs, created by act of Congress July one, eighteen hundred and seventy, for the port of Vallejo, in California, is abolished, and in lieu of such surveyor of customs a deputy collector of customs is hereby authorized to perform the same services and receive the same rate of compensation as is provided in this act for the deputy collector at the port of Eureka or the port of Wilmington.

Office of surveyor of customs at Vallejo abolished. Deputy collector authorized.

APPROVED, March 3, 1871.

CHAP. CXXXI. — *An Act to extend the Benefits of the Donation Law of September twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and fifty, to certain Persons.* March 3, 1871.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all persons who, at the time of settlement, possessed the qualifications prescribed in the fourth and fifth sections of "An act to create the office of surveyor-general of the public lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey, and to make donations to settlers of the said public lands," approved September twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and fifty, and who made bona fide settlement upon the lands claimed by the Puget Sound Agricultural Company, in Washington Territory, within the time limited for settlement by said act and the amendments thereto, shall be, and are hereby declared to be, entitled to all the privileges and benefits of said act and amendments.

1850, ch. 76. Vol. ix. p. 496.

Bona fide settlers upon the lands of Puget Sound Agricultural Company entitled to benefit of act.

SEC. 2. That the rights and privileges of heirs and assigns under the said donation law, and the amendments thereto, shall be, and are hereby, extended to the heirs and assigns of the settlers named in the first section of this act.

Privileges extended to their heirs and assigns.

APPROVED, March 3, 1871.

CHAP. CXXXII. — *An Act to amend an Act to revise, consolidate, and amend the Statutes relating to Patents and Copyrights.* March 3, 1871.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That that part of section thirty-three of an act entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and amend the statutes relating to patents and copyrights," approved July eight, eighteen hundred and seventy, which requires that, in case of application by assignee or assignees for reissue of letters-patent, the application shall be

In applications by assignees for reissues of letters-patent issued, &c. prior to July 8, 1870, the inventor, &c.