

regarded, in all respects, as citizens of the United States: *Provided*, That they become citizens and comply with the provisions of the third and fourth sections of this act relating to naturalization, *And provided further* That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to ascertain what amount if any is due the Miami tribe of Indians referred to in the corrected lists under the treaty of eighteen hundred and fifty-four, on account of certain annuities which were distributed to and among those persons of Miami blood and descent who were included in the act of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, and by virtue of the same were authorized and did receive their proportion respectively in said annuities, and to cause that amount to be deducted out of the consolidated fund as herein provided for and paid to said Miami Indians referred to in said corrected lists made by virtue of the said treaty of eighteen hundred and fifty-four.

Those on citizens' lists to be treated as citizens, when, &c. Amount, if any, due to certain Miami Indians, to be ascertained, and deducted.

SEC. 5. And the proceeds of the sales of the said unallotted lands, including said school section, and all moneys, securities, annuities, and effects held by the United States for said Miami Indians of Kansas, after making the foregoing deductions for citizen Indians and their minor children, shall belong to and be the exclusive property of the last-named Indians, to be known as their consolidated fund.

Proceeds of sales of lands, &c., after, &c., to be the property of the Miami Indians.

SEC. 6. That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to examine a contract made by and between the said Western Miami Indians of Kansas, and the confederated Wea, Peoria, Kaskaskia, and Piankeshaw Indians, made on the fifteenth day of January, anno Domini, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, and to approve the same with such modifications as justice and equity may require; and, for the purpose of carrying into effect said arrangement may withdraw from said consolidated fund, and pay to the confederated Wea, Peoria, Kaskaskia, and Piankeshaw Indians, a sum sufficient to pay said Wea, Peoria, Kaskaskia, and Piankeshaw Indians, according to said contract of the fifteenth of January aforesaid, for an interest in the lands of the last-named confederated tribe, for all of said Miamis, electing as aforesaid, to unite with said confederated tribe; and after making such payment, there shall be set apart and capitalized with the funds of said Wea, Peoria, Kaskaskia, and Piankeshaw Indians, a sum sufficient to warrant and justify all said Miamis so entitled, and so electing, to unite with said Wea, Peoria, Kaskaskia and Piankeshaw Indians in drawing thereafter like annuities with said Wea, Peoria, Kaskaskia, and Piankeshaw Indians, without prejudice to the rights and interests of said last-named Indians; and the remainder of such consolidated fund shall then be paid, (under like direction,) per capita, to all those so entitled, and so electing to unite with said Wea, Peoria, Kaskaskia and Piankeshaw Indians, to aid them in moving to, and improving their new homes in the Territory; and after their union with said confederated Wea, Peoria, Kaskaskia, and Piankeshaw Indians, the united tribe shall be called the United Peorias and Miamis, and thereafter shall all draw equal and like annuities, according to the provisions of said contract of the fifteenth of January, anno Domini, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, and such modifications as may be agreed to by said contracting parties, with the approval of said secretary, as herein provided.

Secretary of the Interior to examine, &c., the contract between the Western Miami Indians and the Weas, &c.;

may pay, &c.

After union, the united tribe to be called what.

SEC. 7. That the provisions of this act shall not in any way affect the rights or claims of those individual Miamis or persons of Miami blood or descent who are named in the corrected list referred to in the Senate amendment to the fourth article of the treaty of June fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, or their descendants.

Rights of individual Miamis not affected.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCXXXIII. — *An Act to restore a Part of the Round Valley Indian Reservation, in California, to the public Lands and for other Purposes*

March 3, 1873.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all that portion of the In-*

Part of Round Valley Indian re-

ervation in California restored to public lands, &c.

Improvements.

Sales for cash.

Proceeds of sales how to be applied.

Southern and western boundaries of the Round Valley reservation.

Inquiry to locate the northern boundary.

Appraisement of improvements.

Certain lands to be withdrawn from entry or sale under the homestead and pre-emption laws.

Settlers to be required to remove, when, &c.

Appropriation.

dian reservation in Round Valley California which lies south of the township line running east and west between townships twenty-two and twenty-three north, of ranges twelve and thirteen west of the Mount Diablo meridian, be, and the same is hereby restored to the public lands of the United States, and the Secretary of the Interior shall cause the same to be surveyed and offered for sale in legal subdivisions, at not less than one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre; *Provided*, That the improvements owned by persons on the lands hereby restored before the passage of this act shall be the sole property of such persons, who shall have priority of right to purchase not exceeding three hundred and twenty acres of land in adjacent quarter-sections, containing and adjoining said improvements; and all said lands shall be sold and disposed of for cash only, the same to be done through the local land-office — within the jurisdiction of which these lands are situated; *And provided further*, That the proceeds of the sale of the lands hereby restored, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be used to pay for the improvements and claims of settlers now residing within the limits of the new reservation created under this act, and for improvements of Indians on lands hereby restored to the public lands, after such improvements shall have been appraised and the appraisement approved, as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 2. That said township line between townships twenty-two and twenty-three north, extending from the Middle Fork of Eel river on the east to Eel river on the west, shall hereafter be the southern boundary of the Indian reservation in Round Valley; and the centre of the Middle Fork of Eel river shall be the eastern boundary, and the centre of Eel river shall be the western boundary of said reservation, with the privilege of fishing in said streams. And the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to appoint three commissioners, who shall proceed to make an examination of the country in that locality and report their views in regard to where the northern line of this reservation should be located; they shall also make an appraisement of all improvements of white persons north of said southern boundary of the reservation, as established by this section of this act, within the limits proposed by them for a reservation, and of all Indians south of said line, and report the same to the Secretary of the Interior, who shall cause the same to be paid to such settlers or Indians out of the money hereinbefore reserved for such purpose.

SEC. 3. That immediately after the passage of this act the President shall cause to be withdrawn from sale or entry under the homestead and pre-emption laws all the land lying north of the southern boundary of the reservation, as herein defined, and bounded north by the Eel river and the North Fork of said river, east by the Middle Fork, and West by Eel river; and the report of said commission fixing the north boundary of said reservation shall have been approved; and all settlers now residing upon the tract herein described lying north of the south boundary of said reservation shall be required to remove therefrom as soon as they shall be paid for or tendered the amount of the appraised value of their improvements.

SEC. 4. That there shall hereafter be appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, the sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the commission provided for in this act.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

March 3, 1873. CHAP. CCCXXXIV. — *An Act to quiet the Title to the Lands of the Settlers on Lands claimed by the West Wisconsin Railway Company.*

Preamble.

Whereas, by the neglect of the commissioner of the general land-office to have the lands withdrawn from market embraced in the grant of lands from the town of Pomah to the city of Hudson, in the State of Wisconsin,