

lish for the protection, care, and management of such cemetery. And he shall cause the same to be laid off and platted in convenient and suitable lots, which shall be forever devoted for the purpose of the burial of the dead. And he may set apart forever to each of the religious denominations organized in Salt Lake City which shall file with him proof of their organization a lot not to exceed one acre in size, and of convenient shape, which such denominations may inclose and ornament as they see fit, to be used for the purposes of burial; and two acres shall be reserved as a "potter's field," or common burying ground, which may be inclosed and ornamented by the authority of the said city.

To be laid off into lots.
 Lot for each religious denomination.
 Common burial ground.

Approved, May 16, 1874.

CHAP. 181.—An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to discharge certain obligations of the United States to the creditors of the Upper and Lower Bands of Sioux Indians.

May 16, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered to discharge all obligations of the United States to the creditors of the Upper and Lower Bands of Sioux Indians, arising under the treaty of June nineteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, between said bands and the United States, and from the diversion by the United States of the funds and assets of said Indians in their possession and control applicable to that purpose: *Provided,* That the amount allowed and paid on said indebtedness shall in no event exceed the sum of seventy thousand dollars.

Payment to creditors of Upper and Lower Bands of Sioux Indians.
 Vol. xii, p. 1038.
 Limit to amount payable.

SEC. 2. That to enable the Secretary of the Interior to carry into effect the provisions of the foregoing section, the sum of seventy thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation.

Approved, May 16, 1874.

CHAP. 182.—An act for the relief of certain settlers on the Fort Randall military reservation.

May 18, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to transfer to the custody of the Department of the Interior such portions of the military reservation of Fort Randall, in Dakota, as were actually occupied by settlers prior to the promulgation of the order of the President of June fourteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty, setting apart the reservation for military purposes, and, further, such portions of the said reservation as were released from military occupation and control between the years eighteen hundred and sixty-seven and eighteen hundred and seventy, and were during that time settled upon in good faith and in the belief that the lands were open to settlement.

Certain portions of Fort Randall military reservation transferred to custody of Indian Department.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior be authorized to confirm, in accordance with existing laws, the titles of such settlers upon the military reservation of Fort Randall as may be reported by the Secretary of War for that purpose, and to cause patents to be issued for such lands as the aforesaid settlers may be entitled to under existing laws and the provisions of this act.

Titles of settlers to be confirmed.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to pay to each of the aforesaid settlers the respective amounts that were appraised as the value of their respective improvements, by a military board of survey convened for that purpose, at Fort Randall, under instructions from the War Department, dated March third, eight.

Payment for improvements.