

Selection of sites for public buildings.

Secretary of Treasury may set aside selection, when.

No expenditure on buildings until commissioner who selected site files affidavit that he is not interested.

Failure to file affidavit renders selection void.

SEC. 2. That in the selection of a site for any public building not yet commenced, reference shall be had to the interest and convenience of the public, as well as to the best interests of the Government; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall have power, and it shall be his duty, to set aside any selection which in his opinion has not been made solely with reference thereto. No expenditure shall be made upon any building, a site for which has been selected, and work upon which has not been commenced, until such of the persons who acted as commissioners in selecting such site shall make and file with the Secretary of the Treasury an oath or affirmation that he is not at the time of making the affidavit, and was not at the date of making the selection of such site, directly or indirectly interested in the property selected for the same, and a similar affidavit shall be made and filed by each and every person hereafter appointed as such commissioner, before any site shall be finally adopted. In either case a failure on the part of any commissioner to make and file such an affidavit shall render the selection void.

Approved, June 23, 1874.

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CHAP. 477.—An act to change the name of the schooner "Delmar."

Name of schooner "Delmar" changed to "Addie Henry."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to change the name of the schooner "Delmar" to "Addie Henry," and grant a new register to the same.

Approved, June 23, 1874.

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CHAP. 478.—An act to confirm the purchase of a portion of the site of Fort Houston at Nashville, Tennessee, and to provide for the donation of the same to the Fisk University for educational purposes; also to confirm in the purchase of certain land at Fort Hamilton, New York.

Purchase of certain land at Nashville, Tennessee, confirmed.

Title to be conveyed to Fisk University.

Provisos.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the purchase by the United States, on the twenty-first day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, from Russell Houston, of certain land consisting of about three and one fourth acres, situate in the city of Nashville Tennessee, with the buildings thereon standing, and being the same premises described in a deed of said date from said Houston to the Chief Engineer of the Army, in trust for the United States, recorded in book thirty-five, page two hundred and forty-one, in the register's office of Davidson County, Tennessee, be, and the same hereby is, ratified, sanctioned, and confirmed, so that the said purchase, and the said deed thereupon executed, shall have the same legal validity and effect as if the same had been by a previous act of Congress specifically authorized.

SECTION 2. That the Secretary of War be and he hereby is, authorized and directed to grant and convey to the Fisk University of Nashville Tennessee, all the right, title, interest and estate of the United States in and to said tract of land for educational purposes: *Provided,* That no further expense relative thereto shall be incurred by the United States: *And provided further,* That the trustees of the said Fisk University be, and they are hereby, authorized to sell and dispose of the above-described property at their discretion, and to use the proceeds elsewhere for educational purposes in connection with the said Fisk University.

Purchase of certain land at Fort Hamilton, New York, confirmed.

1862, ch. 23, vol. xii, p. 343.

SECTION 3. That the purchase, by order of the executive department, under an authority supposed to be conferred by the act of February twentieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, making appropriations for the construction, and so forth, of certain fortifications, and so forth, of

certain land at Fort Hamilton, New York, consisting of about twenty-one acres, as a site for additional batteries, and conveyed to the United States by deed of Julia Delaplaine, of September ninth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, which said deed has been pronounced by the Attorney-General, by opinion of Novembertwenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, to vest a good and valid title in the United States, and upon which said land the said batteries have been duly constructed, be, and the same hereby is, confirmed.

Approved, June 23, 1874.

**CHAP. 479.**—An act to authorize the Farmers' National Bank of Greensburgh, Pennsylvania, to change its location and name.

June 23, 1874.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That whenever the stockholders of the Farmers' National Bank of Greensburgh, in the county of Westmoreland, and State of Pennsylvania, at a meeting called for that purpose, shall, by a unanimous vote, determine to remove the said bank to the city of Pittsburgh, in the county of Allegheny and said State, the president and the cashier shall execute a certificate, under the corporate seal of the bank, specifying such determination, and shall cause the same to be recorded in the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, and thereupon such change of location shall become effectual and valid.

Farmers National Bank of Greensburgh may be removed to Pittsburgh, Penn.

SEC. 2. That when such change shall have been made as above provided, the name of said bank shall be changed to The Fifth National Bank of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and all debts, demands, liabilities, rights and powers belonging to the said Farmers' National Bank of Greensburgh shall devolve upon and inure to The Fifth National Bank of Pittsburgh; and all actions pending by or against said Farmers' National Bank of Greensburgh may be prosecuted by or against said Fifth National Bank of Pittsburgh in the same manner and with the same effect as if such change of location and name had not been made. *Provided,* That all expenses incident to the proposed change including engraving, shall be borne and paid by said bank.

Name to be changed to Fifth National Bank of Pittsburgh.

Rights and liabilities unchanged.

Expenses of change to be borne by bank.

SEC. 3. That as soon as such change of name and location shall have been made, public notice thereof shall be given by publication in one or more weekly newspapers in the said county of Westmoreland, in said State of Pennsylvania, for four successive weeks.

Notice of change to be published.

Approved, June 23, 1874.

**CHAP. 480.**—An act regulating gas-works.

June 23, 1874.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That from and after the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, the illuminating power of the gas furnished by any gas-light company, person, or persons, in the District of Columbia, shall be equal to sixteen candles by the Bunsen photometer, using the English parliamentary standard Argand-burner, having fifteen holes and a seven-inch chimney, consuming five cubic feet of gas per hour, and such gas shall not contain more than twenty grains of sulphur in any form in one hundred cubic feet, nor more than five grains of ammonia in any form in one hundred cubic feet. When the illuminating gas supplied by any company, person, or persons in the District of Columbia, shall at any one time be of less illuminating power or of less purity than according to the standard just heretofore given, it shall be so reported by the inspector of gas and meters to the company, person, or persons supplying the same, who shall be subject to a penalty of one hundred dollars, to be recovered before the proper tribunal and paid into the treasury of the District of Columbia aforesaid, for each

Standard of illuminating power and purity of gas in the District of Columbia.

Inspector to report.

Penalty for supplying gas of less than standard illuminating power or purity.