

PUBLIC ACTS OF THE FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS  
OF THE  
UNITED STATES,

*Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the seventh day of December, 1874, and was adjourned without day on Thursday, the fourth day of March, 1875.*

ULYSSES S. GRANT, President. HENRY WILSON, Vice-President and President of the Senate. MATT. H. CARPENTER was elected President of the Senate, *pro tempore*, on the twenty-third day of December, 1874, and so acted from time to time until the first day of January, 1875. HENRY B. ANTHONY was chosen President of the Senate, *pro tempore*, on the twenty-fifth day of January, 1875, and so acted until the first day of February, 1875. He was again chosen on the fifteenth day of February, 1875, and so acted from time to time until the twenty-third day of February, 1875. JAMES G. BLAINE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**CHAP. 1.**—An act making an appropriation to enable the Postmaster General to carry into effect the law requiring the prepayment of postage on newspapers, approved June twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four. Dec. 15, 1874.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the sum of thirty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purchase of scales for the use of the Post-Office Department. Proposals for furnishing said scales shall be invited by seven days public notice given by the Postmaster General, and the contract shall be awarded to the lowest and best responsible bidder; the contractor to be allowed a reasonable time in the discretion of the Postmaster General to deliver the article contracted for.

Approved, December 15, 1874.

Scales for Post-Office Department, appropriation.

Advertisement and contract.

**CHAP. 2.**—An act to confirm an agreement made with the Shoshone Indians (eastern band) for the purchase of the south part of their reservation in Wyoming Territory. Dec. 15, 1874.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the agreement entered into on the twenty-sixth day of September, in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, between Felix R. Brunot, commissioner on the part of the United States, and the chief, head-men, and men of the eastern band of Shoshone Indians, in the words and figures following, be, and the same is hereby, confirmed, satisfied, and approved by the Congress and President of the United States: *Provided*; That the cattle furnished under this agreement shall be good, young American cattle, suitable for breeding purposes.

Articles of a convention made and concluded at the Shoshone and Bannock Indian agency in Wyoming Territory, this twenty-sixth day of September, in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, by and between Felix R. Brunot, commissioner on the part of the United States, and the chief, head men, and men of the eastern band of Shoshone Indians, constituting a majority of all the adult male Indians of said band or tribe of Indians, and duly authorized to act in the premises, witnesseth:

Agreement with Shoshone Indians confirmed.

Condition as to cattle.

Date of agreement, parties.