

- Contingencies.** For contingent expenses of United States consulates, such as stationery, bookcases, arms of the United States, seals, presses, and flags, rent, freight, postage, and other necessary miscellaneous matters, including loss by exchange, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.
- Spanish Claims Commission.** For salaries and expenses of the United States and Spanish Claims Commission, namely: For commissioner, three thousand dollars; for counsel, three thousand dollars; for secretary, nine hundred dollars; for messenger, three hundred dollars; for translation, stationery, and other contingent expenses, seven hundred and fifty dollars; making in all the sum of seven thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars.
- Rent of prisons.** For rent of prisons for American convicts in Siam and Turkey, and for wages of keepers of the same, including loss by exchange, two thousand dollars.
For rent of prison for American convicts in China, one thousand five hundred dollars.
For wages of keepers, care of offenders, and expenses, nine thousand five hundred dollars.
For rent of prison for American convicts in Japan, seven hundred and fifty dollars.
For wages of keepers, care of offenders, and expenses, five thousand dollars.
- Rent of court-house, &c., Yeddo.** For rent of court-house and jail, with grounds appurtenant, at Yeddo, or such other place as shall be designated, three thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars.
- Rent of buildings, Pekin.** For rent of buildings for legation and other purposes at Peking, or such other place as shall be designated, three thousand one hundred dollars.
- Bringing home persons charged with crimes.** For bringing home from foreign countries persons charged with crimes, and expenses incidental thereto, including loss by exchange, five thousand dollars.
- Relief of American seamen.** For relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries, sixty thousand dollars.
- Rescue from shipwreck.** For expenses of acknowledging the services of masters and crews of foreign vessels in rescuing American citizens from shipwreck, four thousand five hundred dollars.
- Shipping and discharging seamen.** For expenses of shipping and discharging seamen at Liverpool, London, Cardiff, Belfast, and Hamburg, six thousand dollars.
- Neutrality act.** To meet the necessary expenses attendant upon the execution of the neutrality act, to be expended under the direction of the President, pursuant to the requirement of section two hundred and ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, five thousand dollars.
- R. S., 291.** To provide the American cemetery at Smyrna with a wall, gates, and other improvements, five hundred dollars.
- American cemetery at Smyrna.** For annual proportion of the expenses of Cape Spartel light, on the coast of Morocco, two hundred and eighty-five dollars.
- Cape Spartel light.** For allowance to widows or heirs of deceased diplomatic and consular officers for the time that would be necessarily occupied in making the transit from the post of duty of the deceased to his residence in the United States, five thousand dollars.
- Widows and heirs of diplomatic and consular officers.**

Approved, May 14, 1880.

May 14, 1880.

CHAP. 89.—An act for the relief of settlers on public lands.

Relinquishment of claims to lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when a pre-emption, homestead, or timber-culture claimant shall file a written relinquishment of his claim in the local land-office, the land covered by such claim shall be held as open to settlement and entry without further action on the part of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

SEC. 2. In all cases where any person has contested, paid the land-office fees, and procured the cancellation of any pre-emption, homestead, or timber-culture entry, he shall be notified by the register of the land-office of the district in which such land is situated of such cancellation, and shall be allowed thirty days from date of such notice to enter said lands: *Provided*, That said register shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar for the giving of such notice, to be paid by the contestant, and not to be reported.

Notification by register.

30 days for entry. Proviso.

SEC. 3. That any settler who has settled, or who shall hereafter settle, on any of the public lands of the United States, whether surveyed or unsurveyed, with the intention of claiming the same under the homestead laws, shall be allowed the same time to file his homestead application and perfect his original entry in the United States land-office as is now allowed to settlers under the pre-emption laws to put their claims on record, and his right shall relate back to the date of settlement, the same as if he settled under the pre-emption laws.

Rights of settlers on public lands.

Approved, May 14, 1880.

CHAP. 94.—An act to authorize the Wyoming, Montana and Pacific Railroad Company to build its road across the Fort Russell and Fort Laramie military reservations.

May 17, 1880.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Wyoming, Montana and Pacific Railroad Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the Territory of Wyoming, is hereby authorized to build its road across the Fort Russell and Fort Laramie military reservations, upon such line as may be approved by the Secretary of War: *Provided*, Such right of way shall not exceed one hundred feet in width.

Wyoming, Montana and Pacific Railroad Company.

Proviso.

Approved, May 17, 1880.

CHAP. 95.—An act to abolish all tolls at the Louisville and Portland Canal.

May 18, 1880.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That after the first day of July, eighteen hundred and eighty, no tolls shall be charged or collected at the Louisville and Portland Canal, but the Secretary of War shall be authorized to draw his warrant from time to time upon the Secretary of the Treasury to pay the actual expenses of operating and keeping said canal in repair.

Tolls at Louisville and Portland Canal abolished.

Approved, May 18, 1880.

CHAP. 100.—An act to create an additional land district in the State of Kansas.

May 24, 1880.

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 northwestern land district in the State of Kansas, lying and being situated west of the third guide meridian west of the sixth principal meridian, be, and hereby is, constituted a new land district, to be called the northern land district.

Northern land district, Kansas.

SEC. 2. That the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, is hereby authorized to appoint a register and a receiver for said district, who shall discharge like and similar duties, and receive the same amount of compensation allowed to other officers discharging like duties in the other land-offices of said State.

Register and receiver, pay of.

Approved, May 24, 1880.