

CHAP. 371.—An act to repeal certain provisions of the act approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, relating to the purchase of arms for the use of the States.

Mar. 3, 1887.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of section three of an act making appropriations for the support of the Army for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, and for other purposes, approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, as provides that so much of the appropriations between the first of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and the ninth of April, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, under the act of April twenty-third, eighteen hundred and eight, therein referred to, as would have been used for the purchase of arms to be distributed to the several States that were in rebellion, shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Approved, March 3, 1887.

Arms for the Militia.
Repeal of law requiring amounts for purchase of arms for States while in rebellion to be covered into the Treasury.
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Vol. 2, p. 490.

CHAP. 372.—An act to provide for the redemption and sale of the school-farm lands now held in Beaufort County, South Carolina, by the United States.

Mar. 3, 1887.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the lands in Beaufort County, South Carolina, known as the school-farms, now owned or held by the United States by virtue of the proceedings under the act entitled "An act for the collection of direct taxes in insurrectionary districts within the United States, and for other purposes," approved June seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and under acts supplementary thereto or upon the same subject-matter, may be redeemed and restored to such persons as shall make application therefor to the Secretary of the Treasury, through the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, within one year from the passage of this act, and furnish satisfactory evidence that such person or applicant in each case was, at the time the United States acquired title thereto, the legal owner of such land, or the heir-at-law, or devisee (or grantee, in good faith and for a valuable consideration) of such legal owner; but before such redemption shall be awarded and title restored on any such application and proof, such applicant shall pay into the Treasury of the United States the amount of tax, penalty, interest, and costs properly chargeable against the lands described in such application, together with the cost of advertising the sale of said lands: *Provided,* That if any such school-farm is only a part of a tract of land against which said tax was levied, then the applicant for redemption shall pay only such pro rata share of the tax, penalty, interest, and costs as may be ascertained by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to be properly chargeable against such school-farm.

Lands in Beaufort County, S. C., held by United States for direct taxes may be redeemed.
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Application to be made in a year.

SEC. 2. That whenever the foregoing conditions have been complied with, and redemption and restoration of title have been awarded in any case by the Secretary of the Treasury, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to make out a certificate of release of the interest and title of the United States in and to such lands, in duplicate, which shall be approved, in writing by the Secretary of the Treasury, and his approval indorsed thereon, and then one copy thereof shall be delivered to such applicant and the other filed in the office of said Commissioner. *Provided,* That if the applicant has received from the United States the surplus proceeds of the sale of such land under section thirty six of the act of August fifth eighteen hundred and sixty one, he shall not be entitled to redeem the same under this act unless such applicant shall refund the surplus so paid

Tax, etc., to be paid.

Proviso.

Release.

Proviso.
Proceeds of sale.

SEC. 3. That the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, shall, as soon as may be after the passage of this act prescribe and promulgate such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, as may be necessary and

Regulations.