

January 23, 1896.

**CHAP. 8.**—An Act To amend an Act entitled “An Act to amend an Act entitled ‘An Act to forfeit certain lands heretofore granted for the purpose of aiding in the construction of railroads, and for other purposes,’ approved September twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety, and the several Acts amendatory thereof.”

Forfeited land grants.  
Vol. 26, p. 496.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That “An Act to amend an Act entitled ‘An Act to forfeit certain lands heretofore granted for the purpose of aiding in the construction of railroads, and for other purposes,’ approved September twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety, and the several Acts amendatory thereof,” approved December twelfth, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Right of settlers to purchase extended.  
Vol. 27, pp. 59, 427.  
Vol. 28, p. 15.  
Post, p. 535.

“That section three of an Act entitled ‘An Act to forfeit certain lands heretofore granted for the purpose of aiding in the construction of railroads, and for other purposes,’ approved September twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety, and the several Acts amendatory thereof, be, and the same is, amended so as to extend the time within which persons entitled to purchase lands forfeited by said Act shall be permitted to purchase the same, in the quantities and upon the terms provided in said section, at any time prior to January first, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven: *Provided,* That actual residence upon the lands by persons claiming the right to purchase the same shall not be required where such lands have been fenced, cultivated, or otherwise improved by such claimants, and such persons shall be permitted to purchase two or more tracts of such lands by legal subdivisions, whether contiguous or not, but not exceeding three hundred and twenty acres in the aggregate.”

Proviso.  
Actual residence not required.

Limit to purchases.

Approved, January 23, 1896.

February 5, 1896.

**CHAP. 9.**—An Act To reconvene the delegates of the United States to the International Marine Conference of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine.

International Marine Conference to prevent collisions at sea.  
Reconvening authorized.  
Vol. 25, p. 243.  
Post, p. 381.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of State is hereby authorized to reconvene the delegates of the United States to the Washington International Marine Conference of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, whenever in his judgment it is expedient, for the further consideration of rules to prevent collisions at sea and in the waters of the United States.

Appropriation.

**SEC. 2.** That the sum of two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, for necessary expenses incurred under this Act.

Report of expenses.

**SEC. 3.** That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to transmit to Congress a detailed statement of expenditures incurred under this Act.

Approved, February 5, 1896.

February 7, 1896.

**CHAP. 10.**—An Act To incorporate the Post Graduate School of Medicine of the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.  
Post Graduate School of Medicine incorporated.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That Henry L. E. Johnson, Edmund L. Tompkins, J. Foster Scott, William W. Johnston, Samuel C. Busey, Charles W. Richardson, James Kerr, Middleton F. Cuthbert, Edward M. Parker, G. Wythe Cook, G. Byrd Harrison, Samuel S.