

CHAP. 156.—An Act Approving a revision and adjustment of certain sales of Otoe and Missouriia lands in the States of Nebraska and Kansas.

April 4, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the revision and adjustment of the sales of lands in the late reservation of the confederated Otoe and Missouriia tribes of Indians in the States of Nebraska and Kansas, to which more than three-fourths of the adult male members of said tribes have given their consent, by an instrument in writing dated the twentieth day of November, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and now on file in the office of the Secretary of the Interior, is hereby approved and confirmed, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to carry the same into full force and effect as to all delinquent purchasers of said lands, their heirs and legal representatives, in the following manner, to wit: The Secretary of the Interior shall cause notice to be given to said purchasers, their heirs and legal representatives, respectively, of the amounts of the deferred payments found to be due and unpaid on their respective purchases under the adjustment hereby confirmed; and within one year thereafter it shall be the duty of such purchasers, their heirs and representatives, respectively, to make full payment in cash of the amounts thus found to be due by them, severally, and in default of such payment within said period of one year the entry of any purchaser so in default shall be forthwith canceled and the lands shall be resold for the benefit of the Indians at not less than the appraised value thereof, and in no case at less than two dollars and fifty cents per acre, as provided in the Act under which they were originally sold. Upon making such complete payment within the time so fixed each purchaser, his heirs or legal representatives, shall be entitled to receive a patent for the lands so purchased.

Otoe and Missouriia Indians, Nebraska and Kansas.
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Revision of sale of land in reservation of, confirmed.

—manner of enforcing as to delinquent purchasers.

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CHAP. 157.—An Act To establish a military post at or near Des Moines, Iowa.

April 4, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon the transfer and conveyance to the United States of a good and sufficient title to not less than four hundred acres of land, without cost to the United States, situated at or near the city of Des Moines, in the county of Polk and State of Iowa, and on or near a railroad, and constituting an eligible and suitable site for an army post, and to be approved and accepted by the Secretary of War for that purpose, then and thereupon there shall be, and is hereby, established and located on said land a United States army post, of such character and capacity as the Secretary of War shall direct and approve.

Des Moines, Iowa.
Military post established at.

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CHAP. 158.—An Act Making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and one, and for other purposes.

April 4, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of pensions for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and one, and for other purposes, namely:

Pensions appropriations.

For army and navy pensions, as follows: For invalids, widows, minor children, and dependent relatives, army nurses, and all other pension-

Invalid, etc., pensions.

ers who are now borne on the rolls, or who may hereafter be placed thereon, under the provisions of any and all Acts of Congress, one hundred and forty-four million dollars: *Provided*, That the appropriation aforesaid for navy pensions shall be paid from the income of the navy pension fund so far as the same shall be sufficient for that purpose: *Provided further*, That the amount expended under each of the above items shall be accounted for separately.

Provisos.
Navy pensions.

Accounts.

Examining surgeons.
—fees, etc.

Provisos.
Examinations.

No fee unless service rendered.

Report to state rating.
—physical condition.

—to be open to inspection.

Agents' salaries.

Clerk hire.
Proviso.
Apportionment.

Fuel.

Light.

Rent.

Stationery.

For fees and expenses of examining surgeons for services rendered within the fiscal year nineteen hundred and one, seven hundred thousand dollars. And each member of each examining board shall, as now authorized by law, receive the sum of two dollars for the examination of each applicant whenever five or a less number shall be examined on any one day and one dollar for the examination of each additional applicant on such day: *Provided*, That if twenty or more applicants appear on one day no fewer than twenty shall, if practicable, be examined on said day, and that if fewer examinations be then made, twenty or more having appeared, then there shall be paid for the first examinations made on the next examination day the fee of one dollar only until twenty examinations shall have been made: *Provided further*, That no fee shall be paid to any member of an examining board who was not personally present and assisting in the examination of applicant: *And provided further*, That the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which in their judgment the applicant is entitled to, and the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically and accurately set forth the physical condition of the applicant, each and every existing disability being fully and carefully described. The reports of the special examiners of the Bureau of Pensions shall be open to inspection and copy by the applicant or his attorney, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

For salaries of eighteen agents for the payment of pensions, at four thousand dollars each, seventy-two thousand dollars.

For clerk hire, four hundred and thirty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the amount of clerk hire for each agency shall be apportioned as nearly as practicable in proportion to the number of pensioners paid at each agency and the salaries paid shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

For fuel, two hundred and fifty dollars.

For lights, five hundred dollars.

For rents, twelve thousand four hundred and eighty dollars.

For stationery and other necessary expenses, thirty thousand dollars.

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April 4, 1900. **CHAP. 159.**—An Act Making appropriations for the diplomatic and consular service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, severally appropriated, in full compensation for the diplomatic and consular service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and one, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, namely:

Schedule A. **SCHEDULE A.**

Salaries. **SALARIES OF AMBASSADORS AND MINISTERS.**

Ambassadors. Ambassadors extraordinary and plenipotentiary to France, Germany, Great Britain, Mexico, and Russia, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, eighty-seven thousand five hundred dollars;