

Filing exceptions.	affected thereby: <i>And provided further</i> , That the exceptions or objections to the verdict and award shall be filed within thirty days after the return of such verdict and award.
Payment of verdict.	SEC. 7. That when the verdict of said jury shall have been finally ratified and confirmed by the court, as herein provided, the amounts of money awarded and adjudged to be payable for lands taken under the provisions hereof shall be paid to the owners of said land by the Treasurer of the United States, ex officio commissioner of the sinking fund of the District of Columbia, upon the warrant of the Commissioners of said District, out of the revenues of the District of Columbia; and a sufficient sum to pay the amounts of said judgments and awards is hereby appropriated out of the revenues of the District of Columbia.
Appropriation from District revenues.	
Collection of assessments.	SEC. 8. That when confirmed by the court the several assessments herein provided to be made shall severally be a lien upon the land assessed, and shall be collected as special improvement taxes in the District of Columbia, and shall be payable in five equal annual installments, with interest at the rate of four per centum per annum from and after sixty days after the confirmation of the verdict and award.
Damage awards deducted from benefits.	In all cases of payments the accounting officers shall take into account the assessment for benefits and the award for damages, and shall pay only such part of said award in respect of any lot as may be in excess of the assessment for benefits against the part of such lot not taken, and there shall be credited on said assessment the amount of said award not in excess of said assessment.
Proceedings.	The said court may allow amendments in form or substance in any petition, process, record, or proceeding, or in the description of property proposed to be taken, or of property assessed for benefits whenever such amendments will not interfere with the substantial rights of the parties interested.
Compensation of jurors.	SEC. 9. That each juror shall receive as compensation the sum of five dollars per day for his services during the time he shall be actually engaged in such services under the provisions hereof.
Appropriation for expenses.	SEC. 10. That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, to provide the necessary funds for the costs and expenses of the condemnation proceedings taken pursuant hereto.
Appeals not to delay opening of street, etc.	SEC. 11. That no appeal by any interested party from the decision of the supreme court of the District of Columbia confirming the assessment or assessments of benefits or damages herein provided for, nor any other proceeding at law or in equity by such party against the confirmation of such assessment or assessments, shall delay or prevent the payment of award to others in respect to the property condemned, nor delay or prevent the taking of any of said property sought to be condemned, nor the opening of such street: <i>Provided, however</i> , That upon the final determination of said appeal or other proceeding at law or in equity the amount found to be due and payable as damages sustained by reason of the extension of said street under the provisions hereof shall be paid as hereinbefore provided.
Proviso. Payment of final decision.	

Approved, April 28, 1904.

April 28, 1904.
[S. 2263.]

CHAP. 1766.—An Act To require the employment of vessels of the United States for public purposes.

[Public. No. 198.]

Army and Navy supplies.
To be transported in American vessels.
Exceptions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That vessels of the United States, or belonging to the United States, and no others, shall be employed in the transportation by sea of coal, provisions, fodder, or supplies of any description, purchased pursuant to law, for the use of the

Army or Navy unless the President shall find that the rates of freight charges by said vessels are excessive and unreasonable, in which case contracts shall be made under the law as it now exists: *Provided*, That no greater charges be made by such vessels for transportation of articles for the use of the said Army and Navy than are made by such vessels for transportation of like goods for private parties or companies.

Proviso.
Charges.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall take effect sixty days after its passage.

Effect.

Approved, April 28, 1904.

CHAP. 1767.—An Act To authorize the Absentee Wyandotte Indians to select certain lands, and for other purposes.

April 28, 1904.
[S. 2268.]

[Public, No. 199.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That each living adult Absentee Wyandotte Indian whose name appears upon a census roll of Absentee Wyandotte Indians made by Special Agent Joel T. Olive, as approved by the Secretary of the Interior December seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, may select in person, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, from the surveyed public nonmineral domain, eighty acres of agricultural land wherever there may be such lands subject to entry; and the heirs of any deceased Absentee Wyandotte Indian so enrolled may in like manner select a like quantity of land in the name of their deceased ancestor, and the natural or legal guardian of any minor Absentee Wyandotte so enrolled may in like manner select eighty acres of agricultural land for his ward, and when lands shall have been so selected by any person entitled to make such selection and such selection is approved by the Secretary of the Interior, he shall cause a patent to issue in the name of the enrolled Absentee Wyandotte by or for whom such selection has been made, which patent shall contain the condition that the lands covered thereby shall not be aliened without the consent of the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided*, That as soon as any such selection has been made and approved the pro rata share of the Indian by or for whom such selection was made in the funds provided in the Acts of August fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, and March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, shall thereby become relinquished to the United States and shall be covered into the Treasury as proceeds of the sales of public lands: *And provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior may add to the said census roll the names of such persons, not exceeding seventeen in number, as he may find properly to have been entitled to enrollment by said special agent, Joel T. Olive.

Absentee Wyandotte Indians.
Selection of agricultural lands by enrolled, authorized.

Acreage.
Heirs.

Minors.

Patents.

Provisos.
Relinquishment of funds.

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Limited addition to the census roll.

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CHAP. 1768.—An Act Providing for the resurvey of certain townships in Routt and Rio Blanco counties in the State of Colorado.

April 28, 1904.
[S. 2382.]

[Public, No. 200.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be made a resurvey of the lands in Routt and Rio Blanco counties in the State of Colorado, embraced in and consisting of townships one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, and fractional township twelve north, of ranges ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-four, ninety-five, ninety-six, ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, one hundred, one hundred and one, one hundred and two, one hundred and three, and fractional range one hundred and four west, including a retrace-

Colorado.
Resurvey of certain lands in Routt and Rio Blanco counties.