

for that purpose; and the vendor shall have a lien on the rents and profits of the land on which the improvements are located for the purchase money remaining unpaid and shall have the right to enforce such lien in any court of competent jurisdiction: *Provided*, That where citizens of the Cherokee Nation entitled to allotments have heretofore applied for lands on which intermarried white persons own improvements, such citizens entitled to allotments shall have the prior right to purchase said improvements as herein provided.

Approved, March 2, 1907.

Lien on rents.

Proviso.
Prior right to purchase.

CHAP. 2522.—An Act To provide for the refunding of certain money, and so forth.

March 2, 1907.
[H. R. 5.]

[Public, No. 181.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the corporations hereinafter named the amounts respectively placed opposite their names, the said amounts having been illegally assessed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and collected by the collector of internal revenue for the twenty-third district of Pennsylvania in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and the same being seven and one-half per centum discount upon the amounts of fermented-liquor stamps purchased by said corporations, respectively, upon the twenty-fourth day of July, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, such assessment and collection having been decided to be illegal by the Attorney-General of the United States, and his decision having been acquiesced in by the Treasury Department; To the Phoenix Brewing Company, of Pittsburg, one thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars, and to the Ober Brothers Brewing Company, of Allegheny, two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Phoenix Brewing Company and Ober Brothers Brewing Company.
Refund of internal revenue taxes to.

Amounts.

Approved, March 2, 1907.

CHAP. 2523.—An Act Providing for the allotment and distribution of Indian tribal funds.

March 2, 1907.
[H. R. 5290.]

[Public, No. 182.]

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 is hereby authorized, in his discretion, from time to time, to designate any individual Indian belonging to any tribe or tribes whom he may deem to be capable of managing his or her affairs, and he may cause to be apportioned and allotted to any such Indian his or her pro rata share of any tribal or trust funds on deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the tribe or tribes of which said Indian is a member, and the amount so apportioned and allotted shall be placed to the credit of such Indian upon the books of the Treasury, and the same shall thereupon be subject to the order of such Indian: *Provided*, That no apportionment or allotment shall be made to any Indian until such Indian has first made an application therefor: *Provided further*, That the Secretaries of the Interior and of the Treasury are hereby directed to withhold from such apportionment and allotment a sufficient sum of the said Indian funds as may be necessary or required to pay any existing claims against said Indians that may be pending for settlement by judicial determination in the Court of Claims or in the Executive Departments of the Government, at time of such apportionment and allotment.

Indian tribal funds, Allotment, etc., of authorized to individual Indians.

Provisos.
Application.

Payment of existing claims.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to pay any Indian who is blind, crippled, decrepit, or helpless from old

Payment to help- less, etc., Indians.