

appropriated, to supply said deficiencies in the revenues for the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eleven, and the sum needed may be advanced to the Post-Office Department upon requisition of the Postmaster-General.

Approved, May 12, 1910.

CHAP. 232.—An Act For the relief of earthquake sufferers in Costa Rica.

May 13, 1910.
[H. R. 25646.]

[Public, No. 174.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is authorized to use and distribute among the suffering and destitute people of Costa Rica such tents, blankets, and other necessary articles belonging to the stores of the military establishment, the naval establishment, and the Isthmian Canal Commission, as may be required for the purpose of succoring the people who are in peril in Costa Rica in consequence of the recent earthquake.

Costa Rica earthquake.
Distribution of tents, etc., to sufferers.

Approved, May 13, 1910.

CHAP. 233.—An Act To authorize the sale of certain lands belonging to the Indians on the Siletz Indian Reservation, in the State of Oregon.

May 13, 1910.
[S. 539.]

[Public, No. 175.]

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 dispose of the lands reserved under the provisions of article four of the agreement concluded with the Indians of the Siletz Reservation on October thirty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, and ratified by the Act of Congress approved August fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four (Twenty-eighth Statutes at Large, page three hundred and twenty-five), at public auction, in such areas and on such terms and conditions as he may prescribe.

Siletz Indian Reservation.
Disposal of reserved lands on.
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SEC. 2. That he is also authorized to cause the lands reserved for administrative purposes in connection with the affairs of the Siletz Indians and those reserved for educational and missionary purposes to be surveyed, platted, appraised without considering any improvements located thereon, and sold for town lots or for such other purposes as he may deem advisable: *Provided,* That he shall reserve from sale any water-power sites that may be located on the lands so reserved: *Provided further,* That the lands contained in what is commonly known as the government farm, except so much as may be needed for offices and an Indian day school, shall be subdivided into small tracts, not exceeding five acres for each said tract: *And provided further,* That the forty acres of said government farm nearest the present government buildings shall be laid out as a town site and be subdivided into town lots, and appraised or sold to highest bidder, without considering improvements located thereon, reserving to actual business men and actual residents the rights to buy the land upon which their respective buildings stand; and whenever any sale is made under this proviso, whereby the lands in this proviso described shall be sold to a purchaser other than the owner of the building or buildings now located thereon, the said owner shall have the right to sell said building or buildings to the said purchaser or to remove the same within three months from the date of said sale.

Sale, etc., of town lots.

Provisos.
Water-power sites.

Tracts in government farm.

Town sites on government farm.

Preference, etc., to settlers.

SEC. 3. That when such lands are surveyed and platted they shall be appraised and sold, except land reserved for water-power sites as provided in section two of this Act, under the provisions of the Revised Statutes covering the sale of town sites located on the public domain. The proceeds derived from the sale of any lands as herein provided shall first be devoted to reimbursing the United States for the expenses

Sales, etc.

Disposal of proceeds.