

Approval of site and title.  
Construction, etc., requirements.

The new site must have the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, and the title thereto must be satisfactory to the Attorney General of the United States. The site shall have approximately the same area as the present customhouse site above described; the ground area of the building to be constructed shall be approximately seventeen thousand square feet; building to be four stories above the basement and provision made in the construction of the foundation and walls and columns for placing three additional stories thereon, if required, in the future.

Preparation of plans, etc.

The plans and specifications for said building shall be prepared by the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department or by a private architect employed by the purchasers of the customhouse property, as the Secretary of the Treasury may elect; in the latter case the architect and the plans and specifications prepared by him, and in either case the completed building, must meet the approval of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, who may detail representatives to supervise or inspect the building during construction until final acceptance.

Present building may be turned over to party offering new building and site in exchange.

Authority is hereby given to the Secretary of the Treasury to turn the present building and site thereof over to the party or parties offering property in exchange therefor upon condition that good and sufficient security is furnished by said party or parties to insure the prompt construction of the building herein contemplated, upon the site selected, and its conveyance to the United States of America free and clear from any lien or incumbrance of any kind or character, and that in the meantime the customs service and other Government officials now occupying quarters in the present building shall be provided, without expense to the United States, adequate space for their accommodation, either in their present quarters in the customhouse or elsewhere, until the new building is completed and ready for occupancy.

Quarters for officials to be provided without expense.

Limitation of Government expense.

The Government shall be involved in no expense in this transaction, except in connection with the drawings and specifications if prepared by the Supervising Architect, and in connection with the superintendence, inspection, and general administration. Nor shall the United States be involved in any expense incident to the work in connection with the removal of Government property either from the old building into quarters provided by the purchasers or to the new building upon its completion.

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**CHAP. 442.**—An Act To modify and amend the mining laws in their application to the Territory of Alaska, and for other purposes.

Alaska.  
Placer mining claims  
in Vol. 37, p. 243, amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 4 of the Act of Congress of August 1, 1912, section 129d Compiled Laws of Alaska, entitled "An Act to modify and amend the mining laws in their application to the Territory of Alaska, and for other purposes," be amended to read as follows:

Area of claims limited.

"SEC. 4. That no placer mining claim hereafter located in Alaska shall be patented which shall contain a greater area than is fixed by law, nor which is longer than three times its greatest width as determined by a transverse line drawn within the lines of the claim and at right angles to its longest side: *Provided,* That where any isolated parcel of placer ground lies between and adjoins patented or validly located claims on all of its sides and is not over thirteen hundred and twenty feet in length this dimensional restriction shall not apply."

*Proviso.*  
Allowance for isolated adjoining claims.

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