

Contracts with agents not recognized.

made collectively. Nor shall the executive branch of the government hereafter recognize any contract between any tribe or part of a tribe and any attorney or agent, for the prosecution of any claim against the government under this act.

Extra pay of officers.

Repealed 1852, cb. 108, § 14.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That no estimate or appropriation of money, in any bill making appropriations, shall authorize the payment of any increased pay, allowance, or compensation, in any form whatever beyond the amount prescribed by law, in any case, unless there shall first be a specific direction for such extra payment, designating the officers to whom such extra payment shall be made.

Repairs of office of clerk of the Supreme Court and Capitol.

1852, ch. 1.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commissioner of Public Buildings be, and he is hereby authorized to apply any unexpended portion of the money appropriated by the act of Congress entitled "An act making appropriation to meet the expenses incurred in consequence of the late fire at the Capitol," approved January thirteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, to the payment of expenses necessarily incurred in repairing the damage lately done by fire in the office of the clerk of the Supreme Court, and in making other repairs about the Capitol.

Site for a custom-house at San Francisco. Vol. ix. pp. 540, 609.

Proviso.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase for the United States a suitable piece of ground at a central point in the city of San Francisco, California, as a site for the erection of the custom-house heretofore authorized to be built: *Provided*, That said site or ground may be obtained with good and sufficient title to the United States, in exchange for such reasonable portion of the government reserve in that city as the said Secretary shall deem just and equitable, or for a sum in lieu thereof not exceeding forty thousand dollars; and to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to carry into effect this provision, the sum of forty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated: *Provided*, That if the said Secretary shall fail to obtain such ground on satisfactory terms, then the said sum, or such portion thereof as may be necessary, may be expended in providing the proper foundations for said custom-house on the site heretofore selected for the purpose.

Proviso.

APPROVED, July 21, 1852.

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CHAP. LXVII.—*An Act to authorize the Mayor and Common Council of Chicago, Illinois, to Excavate a portion of the Public Reservation at that place, with a view to the improvement of the Navigation of Chicago River.*

Chicago authorized to excavate a portion of a public reservation.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the corporate authorities of the city of Chicago, Illinois, be, and they are hereby authorized to excavate such portion of the reservation at Chicago, not exceeding the limits described in their memorial of January five, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, as may be necessary, according to the plan set forth in said memorial, for the improvement of the navigation of the Chicago River.

Limits to be designated by Sec'y of War. Buildings thereon.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby directed to cause the limits above designated to be marked out, and to make such disposition of the buildings now standing within said limits as may be best for the public interest.

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CHAP. LXVIII.—*An Act to authorize the President of the United States to designate the places for the Ports of Entry and Delivery for the Collection Districts of Puget's Sound and Umpqua, in the Territory of Oregon, and to fix the Compensation of the Collector at Astoria, in said Territory.*

Ports of entry in collection districts of Puget's Sound and Umpqua.

*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 be, and he is hereby authorized to designate the places