

SEC. 2. In all cases where any person has contested, paid the land-office fees, and procured the cancellation of any pre-emption, homestead, or timber-culture entry, he shall be notified by the register of the land-office of the district in which such land is situated of such cancellation, and shall be allowed thirty days from date of such notice to enter said lands: *Provided*, That said register shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar for the giving of such notice, to be paid by the contestant, and not to be reported.

*Notification by register.*

*30 days for entry. Proviso.*

SEC. 3. That any settler who has settled, or who shall hereafter settle, on any of the public lands of the United States, whether surveyed or unsurveyed, with the intention of claiming the same under the homestead laws, shall be allowed the same time to file his homestead application and perfect his original entry in the United States land-office as is now allowed to settlers under the pre-emption laws to put their claims on record, and his right shall relate back to the date of settlement, the same as if he settled under the pre-emption laws.

*Rights of settlers on public lands.*

Approved, May 14, 1880.

CHAP. 94.—An act to authorize the Wyoming, Montana and Pacific Railroad Company to build its road across the Fort Russell and Fort Laramie military reservations.

May 17, 1880.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Wyoming, Montana and Pacific Railroad Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the Territory of Wyoming, is hereby authorized to build its road across the Fort Russell and Fort Laramie military reservations, upon such line as may be approved by the Secretary of War: *Provided*, Such right of way shall not exceed one hundred feet in width.

Wyoming, Montana and Pacific Railroad Company.

*Proviso.*

Approved, May 17, 1880.

CHAP. 95.—An act to abolish all tolls at the Louisville and Portland Canal.

May 18, 1880.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That after the first day of July, eighteen hundred and eighty, no tolls shall be charged or collected at the Louisville and Portland Canal, but the Secretary of War shall be authorized to draw his warrant from time to time upon the Secretary of the Treasury to pay the actual expenses of operating and keeping said canal in repair.

Tolls at Louisville and Portland Canal abolished.

Approved, May 18, 1880.

CHAP. 100.—An act to create an additional land district in the State of Kansas.

May 24, 1880.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That all that portion of the northwestern land district in the State of Kansas, lying and being situated west of the third guide meridian west of the sixth principal meridian, be, and hereby is, constituted a new land district, to be called the northern land district.

Northern land district, Kansas.

SEC. 2. That the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, is hereby authorized to appoint a register and a receiver for said district, who shall discharge like and similar duties, and receive the same amount of compensation allowed to other officers discharging like duties in the other land-offices of said State.

Register and receiver, pay of.

Approved, May 24, 1880.