

For balances due foreign countries, forty-five thousand dollars, including the United States' portion of the expenses of the International Bureau at Berne, Switzerland, under the provisions of the Universal Postal Union Convention, concluded at Paris, France, June first, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

Balances due foreign countries.

1878, Convention, Stat., 20, 734.

Deficiency in revenue.

SEC. 2. That if the revenue of the Post-Office Department shall be insufficient to meet the appropriations made by this act, then the sum of two million one hundred and fifty-two thousand two hundred and fifty-eight dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in the revenue of the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two.

Approved, March 1, 1881.

CHAP. 97.—An act for the relief of settlers upon the Absentee Shawnee lands in Kansas, and for other purposes.

March 1, 1881.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the provisions of the joint resolution approved April seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, for the relief of the settlers upon the Absentee Shawnee lands in Kansas, be, and they hereby are, extended so as to allow any bona fide settler now occupying said lands, and having made improvements thereon, or the heirs at law of such, who is a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such according to the naturalization laws, to purchase for cash the land so occupied and improved by him, not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres in each case, at not less than two dollars and fifty cents per acre, at any time within one year after the passage of this act, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, and that any lands not claimed by such settlers at the expiration of that period shall be offered at public sale at the minimum rate of two dollars and fifty cents per acre, notice of such sale to be given by public advertisement of not less than thirty days; and, further, that any tracts not then sold shall be thereafter subject to private entry at the same minimum: *Provided, however,* That the proceeds of such sales shall be applied in accordance with the provisions of the treaty between the United States and the said Shawnee Indians, proclaimed November second, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.

Absentee Shawnee lands, Kansas. 1869, Res., 9, Stat., 16, 53. Relief of settlers.

Proviso.

10, Stat., 1053.

Approved, March 1, 1881.

CHAP. 107.—An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to change the name of vessels under certain circumstances.

March 2, 1881.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and hereby is, authorized to permit the owner or owners of any vessel duly enrolled and found seaworthy and free from debt to change the name of the same when in his opinion there shall be sufficient cause for so doing.

Authority to change names of vessels vested in Secretary of the Treasury.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury shall establish such rules and regulations and procure such evidence as to the age, condition, where built, and pecuniary liability of the vessel as he may deem necessary to prevent injury to public or private interests: and when permission is granted by the Secretary he shall cause the order for the change of name to be published at least in four issues in some daily or weekly paper at the place of register; and the cost of procuring evidence and advertising the change of name to be paid by the person or persons desiring such change of name.

Rules and regulations.

Approved, March 2, 1881.