

Estimates.
Limit of cost.
Proviso.
Title, etc.

viously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall not exceed in cost the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; nor shall any site be purchased until estimates for the erection of a building which will furnish sufficient accommodations for the transaction of the public business, and which shall not exceed in cost the balance of the sum herein limited after the site shall have been purchased and paid for, shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury; and no purchase of site nor plan for said building shall be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury involving an expenditure exceeding the said sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for site and building; and the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet, including streets and alleys: *Provided*, That no part of said sum shall be expended until a valid title to the said site shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Minnesota shall cede to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and service of civil process therein.

Approved, May 14, 1888.

May 15, 1888.

CHAP. 255.—An act for the relief of the Omaha tribe of Indians in Nebraska, to extend time of payment to purchasers of land of said Indians, and for other purposes.

Omaha Indians of Nebraska.
Anticipation of annuities.
Appropriation.
Vol. 10, p. 1044.
Provisos.
Distribution.
Payment by special agent.
Extension time for purchase of Omaha Indian Reservation lands.
Vol. 22, p. 341.
Provisos.
Interest.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in view of the advanced condition in civilization of the Omaha tribe of Indians in the State of Nebraska, and to enable said tribe to further improve their condition by making improvements upon their homesteads by the purchase of stock, cattle, agricultural implements, and other necessary articles, and in accordance with their wishes, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seventy thousand dollars, being the last seven installments of ten thousand dollars, each unappropriated, and secured to said Indians under the fourth article of their treaty dated March sixteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, to be paid per capita in two annual installments of thirty-five thousand dollars each: *Provided*, That payment of the second installment shall be made contingent upon their advancement and improvement, and in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior: *And provided further*, That said money shall be paid to said Indians per capita by a special agent appointed for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior, which agent shall in person direct and advise the expenditure of the same by such Indians in the manner most conducive to their present welfare. He shall give a bond for the faithful performance of his duties and be paid for his services out of said money such reasonable compensation as shall be determined by said Secretary. He shall report to said Secretary, in detail, his doings hereunder.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to extend the time of the payment of the purchase-money due for land sold on Omaha Indian Reservation under the sales made by virtue of an act to provide for the sale of a part of the reservation of the Omaha tribe of Indians in the State of Nebraska, and for other purposes, approved August seventh, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, as follows: The time of each payment shall be extended for the period of two years beyond the time now fixed: *Provided*, That the interest on said payments shall be paid annually at the time said payments of interest are due: *And provided further*, That the act above mentioned, except as changed and modified by this act, shall remain in full force.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to declare forfeited all lands sold under said act upon which the purchaser shall be in default, under existing law, for sixty days after the passage of this act, in payment of any part of the purchase-money, or in the payment of any interest on such purchase-money for the period of two years previous to the expiration of said sixty days. The Secretary of the Interior shall thereupon without delay cause all such land, together with all tracts of land embraced in said act not heretofore sold, to be sold by public auction, after due notice, to the highest bidder over and above the original appraisal thereof, upon the terms of payment authorized in said act. And the proceeds of all such sales shall be covered into the Treasury, to be disposed of for the sole use of said Omaha tribe of Indians, in such manner as shall be hereafter determined by law.

Purchasers in default to pay in sixty days.

Forfeited lands to be sold at auction.

Proceeds.

SEC. 4. That the Secretary of the Interior, with the consent of the Omaha tribe of Indians, expressed in such manner as he may determine, be, and he hereby is, authorized to set apart, from the unallotted and unassigned lands of said Omaha Indians, in the State of Nebraska, not to exceed five acres of land, for the use and occupancy of the Woman's National Indian Association, to be used by the said association for missionary and educational purposes among the Indians; and the use and occupancy of the land so set apart to inure to said association and its successors so long as the same is used for the purposes herein specified.

Land to Woman's National Indian Association.

Approved, May 15, 1888.

CHAP. 257.—An act relating to the anchorage of vessels in the port of New York.

May 16, 1888.

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 is authorized, empowered, and directed to define and establish an anchorage ground for vessels in the bay and harbor of New York, and in the Hudson and East Rivers, to adopt suitable rules and regulations in relation thereto, and to take all necessary measures for the proper enforcement of such rules and regulations.

New York Harbor.

Anchorage grounds.

Regulations.

Penalty for violating rules.

SEC. 2. That in the event of the violation of any such rules or regulations by the owner, master, or person in charge of any vessel, such owner, master, or person in charge of such vessel shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars, and the said vessel may be holden for the payment of such penalty, and may be seized and proceeded against summarily by libel for the recovery of the same in any United States district court for the district within which such vessel may be, and in the name of the officer designated by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Effect.

SEC. 3. That this act shall take effect immediately.

Approved, May 16, 1888.

CHAP. 261.—An act to provide for holding the circuit and district courts of the United States at Martinsburgh, in the district of West Virginia.

May 17, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in addition to the terms of the circuit and district courts of the United States, now held in the district of West Virginia, there shall be held, in each year, one term of each of said courts, at Martinsburgh, in said district, on the first Tuesday in August.

West Virginia.
Term of court at Martinsburgh.
R. S., sec. 572, p. 101.
R. S., sec. 658, p. 123.

Approved, May 17, 1888.