

**CHAP. 237.**—An act for the erection of a public building at Saint Paul, Minnesota.

February 16, 1891.

*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 he is hereby, authorized and directed to accept, as a donation from the city of Saint Paul, in the State of Minnesota, a suitable lot of land in said city, and cause to be erected thereon a commodious and substantial building, with fire-proof vaults therein, for the accommodation of the United States post-office, district and circuit courts, custom-house, internal revenue, and other Government civil offices in that city. The plans, specifications, and full estimates for said building shall be, upon the acceptance of said site, made and approved according to law, and shall not exceed for the said building complete the sum of eight hundred thousand dollars. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, after the site for said building shall have been so accepted, to cause plans and specifications for said building to be prepared, which plans and specifications shall have reference to the probable increase of the population of the said city and the consequent needs of the Government for the next twenty years, but not involve an expenditure in the erection and completion of said building exceeding the sum hereby appropriated: *Provided,* That the site so accepted by the Secretary of the Treasury shall be of such dimensions as to leave the building to be erected thereon unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of not less than forty feet, including streets and alleys; and no money appropriated for this purpose shall be available until a valid title to the site for said building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Minnesota shall have ceded (if it has not heretofore ceded) 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 the service of civil process therein: *Provided further,* That the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and he is hereby, authorized, after the completion and occupancy of said building, whenever in his judgment the public interest will admit, in his discretion, to sell and convey the present property of the United States in said city now occupied as a post-office and court building, with the site thereof, the proceeds of the sale of said property to be covered into the Treasury.

Saint Paul, Minn.  
Public building, etc.

Site.  
Building.

Estimates, etc.

Limit of cost.

Plans and specifications.

*Provisos.*

Open space.  
No expenditure until valid title, etc., pass.

Secretary of Treasury may sell present public building.

Proceeds of sale.

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**CHAP. 238.**—An act to transfer officers on the retired list of the Army from the limited list to the unlimited.

February 16, 1891.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That when officers who have been placed on the limited retired list as established by section seven, chapter two hundred and sixty-three, page one hundred and fifty, volume twenty, United States Statutes at Large, shall have attained the age of sixty-four years they shall be transferred from said limited retired list to the unlimited list of officers retired by operation of law because of having attained said age of sixty-four years. And the limited retired list shall hereafter consist of three hundred and fifty instead of four hundred, as now fixed by law: *Provided,* That officers who have been placed on the retired list by special authority of Congress shall not form part of the limited retired list established by this act.

Retired list of the Army.  
Transfer of aged officers from limited to unlimited list.  
Vol. 20, p. 150, amended.

Limited retired list decreased.

*Proviso.*  
Special retirements.

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