Territory of Wisconsin in the improvement of the Fox and Wisconsin Rivers and to connect the same by a canal, out of any of the unsold public lands in said State, subject to private entry at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, and not claimed by preëmption; the quantity to be ascertained upon the principles which governed the final adjustment of the grant to the State of Indiana for the Wabash and Erie Canal, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved the ninth of May, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

1848, ch. 36.

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Chap. CCI.—*An Act to vest in the several States and Territories the title in fee of the Lands which have been or may be certified to them.*

*Post*, p. 599.

Fee simple to pass in all grants of land to States and Territories.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in all cases where lands have been, or shall hereafter be, granted by any law of Congress to any one of the several States and Territories; and where said law does not convey the fee-simple title of such lands, or require patents to be issued therefor; the lists of such lands which have been, or may hereafter be certified by the Commissioner of the General Land-Office, under the seal of said office, either as originals, or copies of the originals or records, shall be regarded as conveying the fee simple of all the lands embraced in such lists that are of the character contemplated by such act of Congress, and intended to be granted thereby; but where lands embraced in such lists are not of the character embraced by such acts of Congress, and are not intended to be granted thereby, said lists, so far as these lands are concerned, shall be perfectly null and void, and no right, title, claim, or interest shall be conveyed thereby.

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Chap. CCII.—*An Act to constitute Palatka and Bayport, in the State of Florida, Ports of Delivery, respectively, and Keokuk and Dubuque, in the State of Iowa.*

Palatka and Bayport, Florida, made ports of delivery.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That Palatka and Bayport, in the State of Florida, shall be, and are hereby created ports of delivery, respectively, and shall be subject to the same regulations and restrictions as other ports of delivery in the United States; and there shall be appointed a Surveyor of the Customs, to reside at each of said ports, who shall, in addition to his own duties, also perform the duties and receive the salary and emoluments of surveyors prescribed by the act of Congress passed on the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, providing for the payment of duties on imported goods, at certain ports therein mentioned, the same being entitled "An act allowing the duties on foreign merchandise imported into Pittsburgh, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Nashville, and Natchez, to be secured and paid at those places," and said Palatka be made a part and annexed to the collection district of St. John's in said State; and said Bayport be made a part and annexed to the collection district of St. Marks, in said State of Florida; and all the privileges and facilities afforded to Pittsburg, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Nashville, and Natchez, by the act of Congress aforesaid, be, and the same are hereby extended to the said ports of Palatka and Bayport.

Surveyor—his salary and duties.

1831, ch. 87.

Annexed to collection district of St. Mark's.

Its privileges.

Keokuk and Dubuque, Iowa, made ports of delivery.

Surveyor—his duties and salary.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That Keokuk and Dubuque, in the State of Iowa, be, and hereby are, constituted ports of delivery within the Collection District of New Orleans, and there shall be appointed a Surveyor of the Customs for each of said ports, who shall be residents thereat; said surveyors shall perform the duties and receive the salary and emoluments prescribed by the act of Congress approved on the second

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