have been so surveyed, with the exceptions hereinafter set forth, to be sold at public sale, under the direction of the President of the United States.

Mendota and adjacent settlements reserved from sale, and authorized to be entered as a town lot.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the land on which the establishment of the Fur Company is situated, known as Mendota, with the settlements immediately around the same, not exceeding three hundred and twenty acres, be, and the same is hereby reserved from sale during the term of one year after the lands surrounding the same shall be offered for sale; and the proper authorities are hereby authorized at any time during said year, to enter the same for a town site, agreeably to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of "An act for the relief of the citizens of towns upon the lands of the United States under certain circumstances," approved May twenty-third eighteen hundred and forty-four.

1844, ch. 17.

Said lands made a part of the Chippewa Land District.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the lands comprised within the limits of said reserve, be, and the same are hereby annexed to and made a part of the Chippewa Land District, in said Territory of Minnesota.

APPROVED, August 26, 1852.

CHAP. XCVI. — *An Act authorizing imported Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, entered and bonded for warehousing in pursuance of Law, to be exported by certain Routes to Ports or Places in Mexico.*

August 30, 1852.

Provision for export to Mexico of bonded imports.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any imported goods in the original packages which shall have been duly entered and bonded, in pursuance of the warehousing act, of sixth August, eighteen hundred and forty-six, may be withdrawn from warehouse at any time within two years from the original importation for immediate exportation, without payment of duties, under the provisions of the act aforesaid, to Chihuahua, in Mexico, by the routes designated in the first section of the act of third March, eighteen hundred and forty-five, or by such other routes as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury; and likewise, that any imported merchandise duly entered and bonded at Point Isabel, in the collection district of Brazos de Santiago, or imported and bonded at any other port of the United States, and transported thence in bond, and duly rewarehoused at Point Isabel in pursuance of the provisions of the warehousing law of August sixth, eighteen hundred and forty-six, may be withdrawn from warehouse at any time within two years from the date of original importation into the United States for immediate exportation, without payment of duties under the provisions of the warehousing act aforesaid, to ports and places in Mexico, by land or water, or partly by land and partly by water, or by such routes as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury.

1846, ch. 84.

1845, ch. 70.

1846, ch. 84.

Same subject.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That any imported merchandise duly entered and bonded at any port of the United States may be withdrawn from warehouse at any time within two years from the date of importation, without payment of duties, in pursuance of the provisions of the warehousing law of sixth August, eighteen hundred and forty-six, for immediate exportation for San Fernando, Paso del Norte, and Chihuahua, in Mexico, through the port of La Vaca, in the collection district of Saluria, in the State of Texas, and be transhipped inland, thence to San Antonio in said State, and from the latter place to the destinations in Mexico aforesaid, either by way of Eagle Pass, the Presidio del Norte, and San Elizario, all on the Rio Grande; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall be and is hereby authorized to prescribe such regulations not inconsistent with law, as he may deem proper and necessary,

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respecting the packing, marking, inspection, proof of due delivery at their foreign destinations of the imports authorized by this and the foregoing section of this act, to be exported from warehouse to ports and places in Mexico, and for the due protection in other respects of the public revenue.

Provision for additional inspectors of the customs for said business.

Salary.

To make a semi-annual report.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall appoint inspectors of the customs to reside at San Antonio, Eagle Pass, the Presidio del Norte, and San Elizario, or at such other points on the routes as he may designate, not exceeding four in number, who shall each receive an annual salary of two hundred and fifty dollars, and who shall make a report semi-annually to the Secretary of the Treasury, of all the trade that passes under inspection, stating the number of packages, description of goods, their value, and the names of the exporters.

Goods exported under this act not to be reimported under penalty of forfeiture.

Penalty on all concerned in such reimportation.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That no goods, wares, or merchandise exported out of the limits of the United States, according to the provisions of this act, shall be voluntarily landed or brought into the United States; and on being so landed or brought into the United States, they shall be forfeited, and the same proceedings shall be had for their condemnation and the distribution of the proceeds of their sales as in other cases of forfeiture of goods illegally imported; and every person concerned in the voluntary landing or bringing such goods into the United States shall be liable to a penalty of four hundred dollars.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of the foregoing act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved, August 30, 1852.

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Chap. XCVII.—*An Act to provide for a tri-monthly Mail from New Orleans to Vera Cruz, via Tampico, and back, in Steam-Vessels.*

Contract for a tri-monthly mail from N. Orleans to Vera Cruz, via Tampico, authorized.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be and he is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract for a term of five years, and for a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars a year, with such person or persons as may offer sufficient and satisfactory security, after due public notice, for the transportation of the mails of the United States, upon the best terms for the United States, three times a month from New Orleans, via Tampico to Vera Cruz, and back, in steam-vessels of not less than eight hundred tons burden, of the best form of construction, adapted to the navigation of the southern waters, the same to be ready in the shortest possible time.

Approved, August 30, 1852.

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1851, ch. 20.
1855, ch. 173.

Chap. XCVIII.—*An Act to amend the Act entitled "An Act to reduce and modify the Rates of Postage in the United States, and for other Purposes," passed March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one.*

Rates of postage on printed matter.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the thirtieth day of September, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, the postage upon all printed matter passing through the mail of the United States, instead of the rates now charged, shall be as follows, to wit: Each newspaper, periodical, unsealed circular, or other article of printed matter, not exceeding three ounces in weight, shall be sent to any part of the United States for one cent, and for every additional ounce, or fraction of an ounce, one cent additional shall be charged; and when the postage upon any newspaper or periodical is paid quarterly or yearly in advance at the office where the said periodical or newspaper is delivered,