

yield an income of not over \$20,000. of Columbia acquired, or that shall be acquired by gift, purchase, devise, or bequest, and the same enjoy, rent, lease, or convey, at pleasure, as freely as any person or body corporate can do: *Provided*, That the net yearly income thereof shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars.

When act takes effect. SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the day of its passage.

APPROVED, June 17, 1864.

June 17, 1864. CHAP. CXXXIII. — *An Act to grant the Right of Preëmption to certain Settlers on the Rancho Bolsa de Tomales, in the State of California.*

Lines of public surveys to be extended over the Rancho Bolsa de Tomales, in Marin County, California. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That it may and shall be lawful for the commissioner of the general land office to cause the lines of the public surveys to be extended over the tract of country known as the Rancho Bolsa de Tomales, in Marin County, California, the claim to which, by James D. Galbraith, has been adjudged invalid by the supreme court of the United States, and to have approved plats thereof duly returned to the proper district land office: *Provided*, That the actual cost of such survey and platting shall first be paid into the surveying fund by settlers, according to the requirements of the tenth section of the act of congress approved thirtieth of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, "to reduce the expenses of the survey and sale of the public lands in the United States."

Actual cost to be paid. 1862, ch. 86, § 10. Vol. xii. p. 410. Settlers may enter their lands after the survey. Joint entries. SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That after the return of such approved plats to the district office, it may and shall be lawful for individuals, settlers upon the said Rancho Bolsa de Tomales, to enter, according to the lines of the public surveys, at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, the land settled upon by them to the extent to which the same had been reduced to possession at the time of said adjudication of said supreme court, joint entries being admissible by coterminous proprietors, in order that their respective boundaries may be adjusted in accordance with their several possessions.

Claims to be presented within what time. Decision of register, &c., to be confirmed. Confirmation to be final. Claims not brought in time, to be barred. Limit of amount to be entered. SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all claims within the purview of this act shall be presented to the register and receiver within twelve months after the return of such surveys to the district land office, accompanied by proof of settlement, and the extent to which the tracts claimed had been reduced into possession at the time of said adjudication; and thereupon each case shall be adjudged by the register and receiver, under such instructions as shall be given by the commissioner of the general land office, to whom the proof and adjudication shall be returned by the local land office, and no adjudication shall be final until confirmed by the said commissioner: *Provided*, That the confirmation by said commissioner shall be conclusive and final between coterminous proprietors, and the correctness thereof shall not be open to contestation in any action at law or suit in equity between them or between parties claiming under them by title subsequent: *And provided, further*, That any claim not brought before the register and receiver within twelve months, as aforesaid, shall be barred, and the lands covered thereby, with any other tracts within the limits of said rancho, the titles to which are not established under this act, shall be dealt with as other public lands, but subject to the adjudicated boundaries of the claims which are presented within the limit of the time prescribed as aforesaid: *Provided*, That no person under the provisions of this act shall be allowed to enter a greater quantity of land than three hundred and twenty acres.

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