lands subject to laws of descent of Indiana.

shall become subject to the laws of descent of the State of Indiana the same as other lands in said State.

Lands not to be subject to, &c.;

SEC. 4. That said lands shall never be subject, in any time to come, to any debt contracted, the consideration of which passed, in whole or in part, prior to the date of partition thereof; nor shall said lands be subject to levy, sale, forfeiture, or mortgage, nor to any lease for a longer period at any one time than three years (to be in writing in all cases), prior to the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-one; nor shall said lands be disposed of, contracted, or sold by the owners thereof, under this partition, prior to the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-one: *Provided*, That the same shall be subject to taxation as other property under the laws of the State of Indiana on and after that date.

to be subject to taxation after, &c.

Members of band, &c., when to become citizens.

SEC. 5. That the members of said band, and their descendants, shall become citizens of the United States on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

APPROVED, June 1, 1872.

June 1, 1872.

CHAP. CCLXIII. — *An Act to authorize the President of the United States to negotiate with the Chiefs and Head-men of the Shoshone and Bannock Tribes of Indians for the Relinquishment of a Portion of their Reservation in Wyoming Territory.*

Negotiations to be made with the Shoshone and Bannock Indians for surrender of part of their reservation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to negotiate with the Shoshone and Bannock tribes of Indians, for the relinquishment of that portion of the reservation of said tribes in Wyoming Territory which is situate south of the central dividing ridge between the Big Popoagie and Little Wind rivers and south of the forty-third parallel, and to cede to said tribes lands lying north of and adjacent to their present reservation, equal in area to any lands by them ceded. And it shall be the duty of the President to report all proceedings under this act to Congress for approval or rejection: *Provided*, This authority shall not continue beyond January first, eighteen hundred and seventy-three.

Report to Congress.

Limit to this act.

APPROVED, June 1, 1872.

June 3, 1872.

CHAP. CCLXXIX. — *An Act to authorize the Appointment of certain Officers in the Quartermaster's Department.*

Certain officers may be appointed in the quartermaster's department of the army, &c.

1866, ch. 299, § 13. Vol. xiv. p. 334.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be, and hereby is, authorized to nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate to appoint, certain officers of the quartermaster's department to the grade they would have held in said department, respectively, had the vacancies created therein by the act of July twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, from the rank of major to the rank of colonel, both inclusive, been filled by promotion by seniority: *Provided*, That no officer shall be deprived of his relative rank or reduced from his present grade by this act, and that the officers whose appointments are herein authorized shall take rank and receive pay only from the date of their confirmation.

No officer to be reduced from present grade.

APPROVED, June 3, 1872.

June 4, 1872.

CHAP. CCLXXX. — *An Act relative to the Entry and Clearance of Ferry-boats and of bonded Cars passing from one State to another through foreign contiguous Territory.*

Ferry-boats not required to enter and clear, nor the persons in charge thereof to present manifests, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That vessels used exclusively as ferry-boats carrying passengers, baggage, goods, wares, and merchandise shall not be required to enter and clear, nor shall the masters or persons in charge of such vessels be required to present manifests, nor to pay entrance or clearance fees, nor fees for receiving or certifying manifests, but they shall, upon arrival in the United States, be required to report

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