CHAP. CCCXLVIII. — *An Act to amend the fifth section of an Act entitled "An Act making Appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial Expenses of the Government for the Year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, and for other Purposes.*

June 8, 1872.
1872, ch. 140, § 5.
Ante, p. 83.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fifth section of the act approved May eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the government for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, shall not be held to apply to materials, stores, or supplies sold to officers and soldiers of the army or to exploring or surveying expeditions authorized by law, and that said section shall not be held to repeal such part of paragraph 1032, Revised Army Regulations of eighteen hundred and sixty-three, as provides that expenses of sales of military stores or supplies regularly condemned will be paid from their proceeds.

Law requiring proceeds of sales of old material to be covered into the treasury, as, &c., not to apply to certain materials, &c., and not to repeal, &c.

APPROVED, June 8, 1872.

CHAP. CCCXLIX. — *An Act relative to Homestead Settlers burned out in the States of Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan.*

June 8, 1872.

WHEREAS fires in extent unparalleled in the history of the country burned through the newly settled parts of the States of Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan, during the autumn of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-one, whereby many homestead settlers lost their dwellings and all of their personal property, and many were burned to death, and many others were so much burned as to disable them from labor for the present winter, and are unable to rebuild and occupy their lands within a period of six months after said fires had driven them from their homestead: Therefore,

Preamble.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all such persons occupying homestead claims under the laws of the United States, on lands of the United States, who were burned out, and the heirs of such persons who were burned to death in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-one, in the States of Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan, shall have until the first day of January, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-three, to rebuild on and re-occupy said homestead lands; and that when said homestead claimants shall prove up their claims, such period of time until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, shall be included in the five years' time which they are required by law to reside on said lands, in the same manner as if such homestead claimant had actually resided thereon during said period of time.

Persons occupying homestead claims on public lands in certain States who were burned out, and the heirs of those burned, to have until Jan. 1, 1873, to rebuild, &c., and such time to be included, &c.

SEC. 2. That in all cases where the person having a homestead claim under the laws of the United States, in said States of Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan, shall have been burned to death or perished from the effects of such fires, it shall be lawful for the heirs or the guardian of any children which may have survived said fires, or the administrator of the estate of said deceased homestead claimant, to prove up said claim before the register of the land-office of the proper district, and upon proof of the occupation and residence of such homestead claimant, up to the period of so being burned out, a patent shall be issued to said heir or heirs, or guardian for the use of such heir, or administrator for the use of such estate, in the same manner as if such homestead claimant had resided thereon for five years.

The heirs of those burned, &c., may prove claim before the register, and patent to issue upon proof, &c.

APPROVED, June 8, 1872.

CHAP. CCCL. — *An Act fixing the Salaries of the United States Attorney and United States Marshall for the District of Nebraska.*

June 8, 1872.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States district

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