vening rights not affected.

affect the right to use said patented improvement of any person who, since the eleventh day of September, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, and prior to the approval of this act, may have procured, and at the time of such approval shall be using, said patented improvement.

APPROVED, April 17, 1872.

April 22, 1872.

CHAP. CXI. — *An Act to erect two new Land Districts in the State of Nebraska.*

See 1872, ch. 241. *Post*, p. 192.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all that part of the State of Nebraska which lies west of range twenty-eight west of the sixth principal meridian, in the State of Nebraska, be, and the same is hereby, constituted and erected into a new land district, to be named and called the Western district.

Western land district established in Nebraska.

Republican Valley district.

SEC. 2. That all those parts of the present South Platte and Nemaha districts, in the State of Nebraska, which lie west of range four and east of range twenty-eight west of the sixth principal meridian be, and the same are hereby, erected into and constituted a new land district, to be named and called the Republican Valley district.

Register and receiver for such districts, their residence, duties, and pay.

SEC. 3. That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a register and a receiver for each of said land districts, who shall be required to reside at the site of the land-office in each case, respectively, and shall perform like duties and be entitled to receive the same amount of compensation, respectively, as are now prescribed by law for other land-offices in said State.

APPROVED, April 22, 1872.

April 22, 1872.

CHAP. CXII. — *An Act to extend the Time for filing Claims for additional Bounty, under the Act of July twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.*

1866, ch. 296, §§ 12, 13. Vol. xiv. p. 322.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time for filing claims for additional bounty, under the act of July twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and which expired by limitation January thirteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, be, and the same is hereby, revived and extended until the thirtieth day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-three; and that all claims for such bounties filed in the proper department after the thirteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, and before the passage of this act, shall be deemed to have been filed in due time, and shall be considered and decided without filing.

Time of filing claims for certain additional bounty extended.

1869, ch. 133, § 4. Vol. xv. p. 334. 1870, ch. 253. Vol. xvi. p. 254. [See 1873, ch. 281. *Post*, p. 608.]

APPROVED, April 22, 1872.

April 22, 1872.

CHAP. CXIII. — *An Act authorizing the Secretary of War to deliver condemned Ordnance to certain Soldiers' monumental Associations.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, authorized to deliver (if the same can be done without detriment to the government) four condemned cannon and sixteen cannon-balls, for the purpose of ornamenting the grounds surrounding soldiers' monuments, to each of the following associations, viz.:

Condemned ordnance for certain soldiers' monumental associations;

To the Jefferson County, Ohio, Monumental Association;

To the Washington County, Pennsylvania, Monument Association;

To the Soldiers' Monument Association at Cortland Village, New York;

To the Hancock County, Ohio, Soldiers' Monumental Association;

To the Soldiers' Monument Association at Greencastle, Indiana;

To the Buchanan County, Iowa, Soldiers' Monument Association;

To the Youngstown, Ohio, Soldiers' Monument Association;

for national cemetery at Andersonville.

And a like number to the Superintendent of the National Cemetery at Andersonville, Georgia, to be placed in said cemetery.

APPROVED, April 22, 1872.

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