Credit to Major William Myers, in settlement of accounts.

Nebraska, for which, under order of his commanding officer, Major William Myers, paid the sum of eight thousand dollars; and the accounting officers are directed to credit him in settlement of his accounts with the sum of eight thousand dollars, upon the filing of satisfactory vouchers showing the payment of that sum to have been made by him under such order.

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CHAP. CCCV.— *An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to convey to the City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, certain Land for the Use of a Street.*

Secretary of the Navy may convey to the city of Chelsea land for a street.

Description of the land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to convey to the city of Chelsea, in the State of Massachusetts, for the purpose of laying out and maintaining a street from Chelsea bridge to Chestnut street in said city, the following described land, to wit: That the portion of the tract of land belonging to the United States, situated in the city of Chelsea, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, commencing on Broadway in said city, at the southwesterly corner of John H. Osgood's land and running northerly by land of said Osgood three hundred and twenty-six and fifty-one hundredths feet to land of the United States marine hospital; thence running westerly on the northerly line of Chestnut street, extending fifteen and fifty-one hundredths feet; thence running southwesterly by land of the United States marine and naval hospitals seven hundred and thirty-one feet to the northerly line of said Broadway; thence easterly by the northerly line of said Broadway, two hundred and seventy-two and thirty-three one hundredths feet; thence northerly by land of owners unknown, one hundred and thirty and seventy-five one hundredths feet; thence easterly by land of owners unknown., two hundred and fifty-eight and seventy-five one hundredths feet; thence southerly by land of owners unknown one hundred and thirty and seventy-five one hundredths feet to the line of said Broadway; thence easterly by the line of said Broadway forty-five feet, to the point of beginning; said portion of land containing about fifty thousand seven hundred and nine square feet: *Provided*, That before such conveyance shall be made, the Secretary of the Navy shall appoint a commission, consisting of one line-officer not below the rank of commodore, one surgeon, and one civil engineer, who shall report what amount, if anything, should be paid for such land, taking into account the advantages and the disadvantages of the proposed street to the property of the United States; and the sum so reported shall be paid, or secured to be paid, to the United States, and credited to the naval marine hospital funds.

Quantity.

Commission to report what, if anything, shall be paid for the land.

Sums paid to be credited to, &c.

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March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCVI. — *An Act to authorize the President to ascertain the Value of certain Lands in the State of Iowa, north of the Raccoon Fork of the Des Moines River held by Settlers under the Pre-emption and Homestead Laws of the United States.*

Commissioners to ascertain the quantity and value of certain lands in Iowa, held by pre-emption and homestead settlers.

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 shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint three commissioners, who shall ascertain the number of acres, and by appraisement or otherwise the value thereof exclusive of improvements, of all such lands lying north of Raccoon Fork of the Des Moines river, in the State of Iowa, as may now be held by the Des Moines Navigation and Railroad Company, or persons claiming title under it adversely to persons holding said lands, either by entry or under the pre-emption or homestead laws of the United States, and on what terms the adverse holders thereof will relinquish the same to the United States; and that they report the facts at the commencement of the next session of Congress; but nothing herein

Report to Congress.

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