

April 6, 1876. **CHAP. 47.**—An act to supply a deficiency in the appropriations for certain Indians.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of supplying the "Sioux Indians of different tribes, including the Santee Sioux of Nebraska," with necessary subsistence, namely, beef, bacon, flour and corn, and for the necessary transportation thereof, the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, April 6, 1876.

April 10, 1876. **CHAP. 50.**—An act to suspend the sale of the jail on Judiciary Square and for other purposes.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chief Engineer of the Army be and he is hereby directed to suspend the sale of the jail on Judiciary Square in the city of Washington, and that the same be turned over to the use of the authorities of the District of Columbia, temporarily or until other jail facilities are provided, and that it shall be lawful for the courts of said District of Columbia to order the confinement of prisoners therein.

Approved, April 10, 1876.

April 10, 1876. **CHAP. 51.**—An act to authorize the sale of the Pawnee Reservation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That with the consent and concurrence of the Pawnee tribe of Indians, expressed in open council in the usual manner, the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be appraised and sold the entire reservation set apart for said Indians, in the State of Nebraska, by the provisions of the first article of a treaty with them, concluded September twenty fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, in the following manner: The said Secretary shall appoint three disinterested and competent persons, who, after being duly sworn to perform said service faithfully and impartially, shall personally examine and appraise said lands at their actual cash value, by legal subdivisions of one hundred and sixty acres, separately from the value of any improvements on the same, and shall also examine and appraise the value of said improvements, and make return thereof to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. After the appraisement of said lands as herein provided, the Secretary of the Interior shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to offer the same for sale on the following terms and conditions, to wit: After advertising the time of sale for three months in one newspaper published in each of the cities of New York, Washington, Chicago, Saint Louis, Cincinnati, Columbus, Nebraska, and Omaha, he shall offer the lands at public sale to the highest bidder for one third cash in hand, the balance in two equal annual payments, drawing interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from the day of sale. Said land shall be sold in separate tracts of one hundred and sixty acres, and none of it shall be sold for less than its appraised value, or for less than two dollars and fifty cents per acre. Said sale to take place at some point in Nebraska as near as may be to said land, to be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior. If any person shall commit waste or damage upon said lands before full payment therefor, his rights to the lands purchased by him shall cease, and the same, together with all of said lands not sold at said public sale, shall be sold under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, at private sale, on the same terms and subject to the same conditions as those sold at