

Deeds for certain
land in Washing-
ton, D. C.
Proviso.

May seventh, eighteen hundred and twenty-two, to wit, chapter ninety-six, of the first session of the seventeenth congress, devolved upon and vested in "the mayor of the city of Washington for the time being", be, and the same hereby are, vested in and devolved upon the Secretary of the Interior, who shall execute the deeds thereby required, under his hand and official seal, when it shall appear to him that the persons applying for such deeds are duly entitled to have the same: *Provided*, nevertheless, this act shall not be so construed as to create or revive any right lost by lapse of time.

Approved, July 1, 1879.

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CHAP. 63.—An act for the relief of settlers on the public lands in districts subject to grasshopper incursions.

Public lands.
Absence of set-
tlers because of
grasshoppers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for homestead and pre-emption settlers on the public lands, and in all cases where pre-emptions are authorized by law, where crops have been or may be destroyed or seriously injured by grasshoppers, to leave and be absent from said lands, under such rules and regulations, as to proof of the same, as the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall prescribe; but in no case shall such absence extend beyond one year continuously; and during such absence no adverse rights shall attach to said lands, such settlers being allowed to resume and perfect their settlement as though no such absence had occurred.

Final proof.

Settlers under
timber culture act.
1873, ch. 277,
17 Stat., 605.

SEC. 2. That the time for making final proof and payment by pre-emptors whose crops shall have been destroyed or injured as aforesaid, may, in the discretion of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, be extended for one year after the expiration of the term of absence provided for in the first section of this act; and all the rights and privileges extended by this act to homestead and pre-emption settlers shall apply to and include the settlers under an act entitled "An act to encourage the growth of timber on Western prairies" approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy three, and the acts amendatory thereof.

Approved, July 1, 1879.

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CHAP. 64.—An act to put salts of quinine and sulphate of quinine on the free list.

Quinine on free
list.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act the importation of salts of quinine and sulphate of quinine shall be exempt from customs duties; and all laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, July 1, 1879.

RESOLUTIONS.

April 18, 1879.

[No. 1.] Joint resolution authorizing the printing of a portrait of the late Joseph Henry, to accompany the memorial volume heretofore ordered.

Joseph Henry.
Portrait.

Appropriation.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury have printed the portrait of Professor Joseph Henry, to accompany the memorial volume already ordered by Congress; and the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, to defray the cost thereof, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, April 18, 1879.