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of said Choctaw Nation shall be taken within sixty days after the rendition of said judgment, and the said courts shall give such cause precedence.

SEC. 2. Said action shall be commenced by a petition stating the facts on which said nation claims to recover and the amount of its claim; and said petition may be verified by either of the authorized delegates of said nation as to the existence of such facts, and no other statements need be contained in said petition or verification.

Approved, March 3, 1881.

CHAP. 140.—An act to amend section twenty-three hundred and twenty-six of the Revised Statutes relating to suits at law affecting the title to mining claims.

March 3, 1881.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if, in any action brought pursuant to section twenty-three hundred and twenty-six of the Revised Statutes, title to the ground in controversy shall not be established by either party, the jury shall so find, and judgment shall be entered according to the verdict. In such case costs shall not be allowed to either party, and the claimant shall not proceed in the land-office or be entitled to a patent for the ground in controversy until he shall have perfected his title

R. S. 2326. Amended. Title to mining claims.

Approved, March 3, 1881.

CHAP. 141.—An act to amend the act entitled "An act to encourage the establishment of public marine schools", approved June twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, so as to extend it to the ports of Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah, Mobile, New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Galveston, and in Narragansett Bay.

March 3, 1881.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to encourage the establishment of public marine schools", approved June twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, be, and the same is, amended so that it shall extend to the ports of Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah, Mobile, New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Galveston, and in Narragansett Bay.

Public marine schools, establishment of, at Ports of: Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah, Mobile, New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Galveston, and in Narragansett Bay. 1874, ch. 339, 18 Stat., 121.

Approved, March 3, 1881.

CHAP. 142.—An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to sell certain real estate belonging to the United States, and vesting the title to certain other lands in the city of Vincennes, in the State of Indiana, and for other purposes.

March 3, 1881.

Whereas, the United States heretofore through the intervention of trustees acquired title for debt to certain real estate situate in and near the city of Vincennes, in the county of Knox, and State of Indiana, described as follows: The southeast half of lot number one and the whole of lot number eight in Harrison's addition to the borough, now city, of Vincennes, and also survey number five in upper prairie surveys, in township three north, range ten west, containing eighty-two acres and eighty-one hundredths of an acre, known as the "Steam Mill Tract", and situate in Knox County, Indiana; and

Preamble. Sale of government lands in Vincennes, Indiana; vesting title of certain lands in the city of Vincennes.

Whereas the said eighty-two and eighty-one hundredths acre tract of land consists of a strip of about twenty-six rods in width commencing on the Wabash River, thence running in a southerly direction through said city of Vincennes and far beyond its limits; that said city has been built up on both sides of said land and its streets abut thereon, said city not having the legal right to lay out and improve her streets through the same; in consequence whereof that part of said city through which said land is located has been greatly hindered and obstructed in its growth; and

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