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thousand dollars; nor shall any site be purchased until estimates for the erection of a building which will furnish sufficient accommodations for the transaction of the public business, and which shall not exceed in cost the balance of the sum herein limited after the site shall have been purchased and paid for, shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury; and the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of at least forty feet, including streets and alleys: *Provided*, That no part of said sum when appropriated shall be expended until a valid title to the said site shall be vested in the United States, and the State of Iowa shall cede to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of any civil process therein.

Limitations upon purchase of site, etc.

Open space.
Proviso.

No expenditure until valid title and jurisdiction pass.

Approved, June 9, 1890.

CHAP. 403.—An act to fix the time and places for holding Federal courts in the district of Kansas.

June 9, 1890.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the judicial district of Kansas is hereby divided into two divisions, which shall be known, respectively, as the first division and the second division of the district of Kansas. The second division shall include the counties of Cowley, Butler, Harvey, McPherson, Rice, Ellsworth, Barton, Rush, Ness, Lane, Scott, Wichita, Greeley, Hamilton, Kearney, Finney, Garfield, Hodgeman, Pawnee, Stafford, Reno, Kingman, Pratt, Kiowa, Edwards, Ford, Gray, Haskell, Grant, Stanton, Morton, Sedgwick, Stevens, Seward, Meade, Clark, Comanche, Harper, Barber, and Sumner, and a term of the circuit and district courts for said district shall be held therein at the city of Wichita on the first Monday of March and the second Monday of September of each year. The remaining counties embraced in the district of Kansas shall constitute the first division thereof, and the terms of the circuit and district court for said district shall be held therein at the time and places now prescribed by law.

Kansas judicial district.
R. S., sec. 531, p. 89, amended.
In two divisions.
Second division.
Composition of.

Terms of court.

First division.
Composition of.
Terms of court.
R. S., sec. 572, p. 96 and sec. 658, p. 120.

SEC. 2. That all civil suits not of a local character which shall be hereafter brought in either of said divisions against a single defendant, or where all the defendants reside in the same division of said district, shall be brought in the division in which the defendant or defendants reside, but if there are two or more defendants residing in different divisions such suit may be brought in either division, and all mesne and final process subject to the provisions of this act, issued in either of said divisions, may be served and executed in either or both of the divisions.

Jurisdiction.

Process.

SEC. 3. That the clerks of the circuit and district courts for said district shall each appoint a deputy clerk at the city of Wichita, each of whom shall, in the absence of the clerk, exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of clerk within the division for which he shall be appointed: *Provided*, That the appointment of such deputies shall be approved by the court for which they shall be respectively appointed, and they may be removed by such court at pleasure; and the clerk shall be responsible for the official acts and neglects of all such deputies.

Appointment of deputy clerks.

Proviso.

Subject to judicial approval, etc.

SEC. 4. That all civil suits and proceedings now pending in the circuit or district court of said district of Kansas, and which would, if instituted after the passage of this act, be required to be brought in the second division of said district, may be transferred, by consent of all the parties, to said second division of said district, and there disposed of in the same manner and with like effect as if the same

Transfer of causes, etc.

Process, writs, etc.

had been there instituted; and all process, writs, and recognizances relating to such suits and proceedings so transferred shall be considered as belonging to the term of the court in the second division of said district in the same manner and with like effect as if they had been issued or taken in reference thereto originally.

Approved, June 9, 1890.

June 10, 1890.

CHAP. 405.—An act to authorize the Secretary of War to issue ordnance and ordnance stores to the State of Washington in payment for ordnance and ordnance stores borrowed by the State of Oregon of said State whilst a Territory during the Nez Percé Indian war of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven and eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, and for other purposes.

Preamble.

Whereas during the Nez Perce Indian war of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven and eighteen hundred and seventy-eight the State of Oregon, in order to arm and equip the militia and volunteers of said State called into service by the governor of said State to suppress Indian hostilities, borrowed of the Territory of Washington three hundred and twenty breech-loading Springfield rifles, caliber fifty, model of eighteen hundred and sixty-six; two hundred and sixty-two breech-loading Springfield rifles, caliber fifty, model of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight; five hundred and eighty-two screw-drivers; forty-seven thousand four hundred and forty-five ball cartridges, caliber fifty; and thirty-one arm-chests; and

Whereas a large portion of said ordnance and ordnance stores have been lost and rendered useless in service; and

Whereas said State has not arms and accouterments nor credit on her ordnance account sufficient to return said arms, and so forth, borrowed: Therefore

Ordnance, etc., to be issued to Washington, to replace ordnance, etc., loaned to Oregon.

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, directed to cause to be issued to the State of Washington, in full payment and liquidation of ordnance and ordnance stores borrowed by said State of Oregon of said State whilst a Territory, and lost or rendered useless in service, ordnance and ordnance stores of the value of twelve thousand three hundred and ninety-eight dollars and fifty-five cents, and the acceptance by the State of Washington of the ordnance and ordnance stores herein authorized to be issued shall be an absolute discharge of the State of Oregon from any and all liability for said borrowed arms and accouterments.

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Acceptance, to discharge Oregon from liability.

Approved, June 10, 1890.

June 10, 1890.

CHAP. 406.—An act to amend an act entitled "An act authorizing the Mississippi and Louisiana Bridge and Railroad Company of Natchez, Mississippi, to construct a bridge over the Mississippi River at or near Natchez, Mississippi," approved July nineteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight.

Bridge at Natchez, Miss.
Vol. 25, p. 336, amended.
Commencement and completion extended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twelve of the above-recited act be amended so as to read, "That if the construction of said bridge is not commenced by the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, and completed in three years thereafter, all rights hereby conferred shall cease and determine."

Approved, June 10, 1890.