AUTHENTICATED
U.S. GOVERNMENT
INFORMATION
GPO

authorized and directed to sell, either at private or public sale the land owned by the United States known as a site for the United States court-house and post-office, situated about one hundred and seventy-two feet on York and ninety feet on Abercorn streets, in the city and State aforesaid, and to make a quit-claim deed to the purchaser thereof.

Enlargement of present building.

SEC. 4. That should it not be deemed practical, on account of cost or otherwise, to select another site for said building, the building on the present site shall proceed upon a plan enlarged to the limit of four hundred thousand dollars, including the incidental and necessary expenses thereof.

Limit of cost increased.

Appropriations made available.

SEC. 5. That the appropriations heretofore made, shall be available for the purposes of this act.

Approved, January 21, 1891.

January 24, 1891.

CHAP. 91.—An act to provide for the construction of a public building at Portland, Oregon.

Portland, Oreg. Public building, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fire-proof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the custom-house, and other Government offices, in the city of Portland and State of Oregon, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, not to exceed the sum of five hundred thousand dollars.

Site.

Building.

Cost.

Proposals to be advertised for.

Proposals for the sale of land suitable for said site shall be invited by public advertisement in one or more of the newspapers of said city of largest circulation for at least twenty days prior to the date specified in said advertisement for the opening of said proposals.

Responses.

Proposals made in response to said advertisement shall be addressed and mailed to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall then cause the said proposed sites, and such others as he may think proper to designate, to be examined in person by an agent of the Treasury Department, who shall make written report to said Secretary of the results of said examination, and of his recommendation thereon, and the reasons therefor, which shall be accompanied by the original proposals and all maps, plats, and statements which shall have come into his possession relating to said proposed sites.

Examination, etc., by Treasury agent.

Appointment of commission.

Examination.

Hearings.

Report.

If, upon consideration of said report and accompanying papers, the Secretary of the Treasury shall deem further investigation necessary, he may appoint a commission of not more than three persons, one of whom shall be an officer of the Treasury Department, which commission shall also examine the said proposed sites, and such others as the Secretary of the Treasury may designate, and grant such hearings in relation thereto as they shall deem necessary; and said commission shall, within thirty days after such examination, make to the Secretary of the Treasury written report of their conclusion in the premises, accompanied by all statements, maps, plats, or documents taken by or submitted to them, in like manner as hereinbefore provided in regard to the proceedings of said agent of the Treasury Department; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall thereupon finally determine the location of the building to be erected.

Determination of location.

Compensation of commissioners.

The compensation of said commissioners shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, but the same shall not exceed six dollars per day and actual traveling expenses: *Provided, however*, That the

Proviso.

Treasury member.

member of said commission appointed from the Treasury Department shall be paid only his actual traveling expenses.

No expenditure until valid title, etc., pass.

No money shall be used for the purpose mentioned until a valid title to the site for said building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Oregon shall have ceded 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 civil process therein.

Open space.

The building shall be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet on each side, including streets and alleys.

Approved, January 24, 1891.

January 24, 1891.

CHAP. 92.—An act to provide the assessor of the District of Columbia with plats of subdivisions outside the cities of Washington and Georgetown.

District of Columbia. Plats of subdivisions outside Washington, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be,

Appropriation for providing.

and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the

Half from District revenues.

Treasury not otherwise appropriated, one half to be charged against the revenues of the District of Columbia, to enable the Commissioners thereof to provide the office of the assessor of taxes with plats or maps of all subdivisions of land in said District outside the cities of Washington and Georgetown.

Plat data.

SEC. 2. That said plats or maps shall show the subdivided tracts of land by courses and distances; they shall show the areas of the lots and squares therein, and the dimensions of the streets and avenues, and such other data as may be necessary to enable the assessor to locate and assess such land and the improvements thereon. Such

Plats to be bound, etc.

plats shall be conveniently arranged, indexed, and bound in volumes of convenient size; and the Commissioners are hereby authorized to

Sale of copies of plat book.

sell copies of said plats at the cost of the paper, press-work, and binding, and ten per centum additional, the proceeds of sales thereof to be turned into the Treasury, as other District revenues are, and applied towards re-imbursing this appropriation.

Approved, January 24, 1891.

January 26, 1891.

CHAP. 98.—An act to authorize the Secretary of War to loan certain cannon to the Saratoga Monument Association.

Loan to Saratoga Monument Association of certain cannon captured from Burgoyne.

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, authorized to loan to the Saratoga Monument Association the following cannon, and so forth, captured from General Burgoyne at Saratoga, and now on hand at the Watervliet Arsenal, West Troy, New York, namely, four twelve-pounder guns, one eight-inch howitzer, one twenty-four pounder howitzer, one eight-inch mortar, and one twenty-four pounder mortar, all bronze:

Provisos.

Provided, That the Secretary of War shall cause the four twelve-

To be mounted.

pounder guns to be mounted on suitable carriages before their delivery:

Expense of removal from Watervliet Arsenal, N. Y.

Provided, That said cannon shall be removed from said arsenal without expense to the United States Government.

Approved, January 26, 1891.