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ment of the District of Columbia, and the superintendent of the State, War, and Navy building, except for paper and materials for use of the Government Printing Office, and materials used in the work of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, which shall continue to be advertised for and purchased as now provided by law, on the same days and shall each designate two o'clock post meridian of such days for the opening of all such proposals in each Department and other Government establishment in the city of Washington; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall designate the day or days in each year for the opening of such proposals and give due notice thereof to the other Departments and Government establishments. Such proposals shall be opened in the usual way and schedules thereof duly prepared and, together with the statement of the proposed action of each Department and Government establishment thereon, shall be submitted to a board, consisting of one of the Assistant Secretaries of the Treasury and Interior Departments and one of the Assistant Postmasters-General, who shall be designated by the heads of said Departments and the Postmaster-General respectively, at a meeting to be called by the official of the Treasury Department, who shall be chairman thereof, and said board shall carefully examine and compare all the proposals so submitted and recommend the acceptance or rejection of any or all of said proposals. And if any or all of such proposals shall be rejected, advertisements for proposals shall again be invited and proceeded with in the same manner.

Time for opening bids to be the same.

Submission to board for approval.

Readvertisement of rejected bids.

Approved, January 27, 1894.

February 1, 1894.

CHAP. 23.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reserve from sale certain land in the abandoned Fort Cummings military reservation, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, directed to withdraw from sale so much of the land of the abandoned Fort Cummings military reservation, in the Territory of New Mexico, as may be necessary to secure perpetually for public use the spring upon said reservation; the land to be reserved, as aforesaid, to embrace not only that upon which the spring is situated, but such other portions for right of way as may be necessary to secure to the public the right to have all the advantages of the spring aforesaid.

Fort Cummings reservation, N. Mex.

Reservation of spring from sale.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to grant to the Rio Grande, Mexico and Pacific Railroad Company a license to so much of the water of said spring as may be necessary for the operation of the road of said company, and to grant to said company a right of way for a pipe from said spring to the road of said company by the most direct line; to be located under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided*, That said right of way shall not exceed forty feet in width, and when the same is located the land covered by the right of way shall be withdrawn from entry, and after due appraisal shall be paid for by said company and be dedicated to the right of way aforesaid.

License to Rio Grande, Mexico and Pacific Railroad Company to pipe water.

Proviso.

Right of way for pipe.

SEC. 3. That the license aforesaid shall continue as long as the existence thereof may be deemed not injurious to the public interest by the Secretary of the Interior, who shall at all times have the right to regulate the quantity of water to be used by said company, so as not to deprive the public of the benefits of the dedication to public use hereinabove made. Upon the cessation of the license the right of way for the pipe line aforesaid shall revert to the United States, upon refunding by the United States the sum of the appraised price thereof which may have been paid to the United States by said company under the previous provisions of this Act, and Congress reserves the right at any time to alter, amend, or repeal this Act.

Continuance of license.

Revocation, etc.

Amendment, etc.

Approved, February 1, 1894.