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tons register and less than one thousand, and within twenty working days if it is of one thousand tons register and less than fifteen hundred, and within twenty-five working days if it is of fifteen hundred tons register and upward, not including legal holidays and days when the condition of the weather prevents the unlading of the vessel with safety to its cargo, after the time within which the report of the master of any vessel is required to be made to the collector of the district, if there is found any merchandise other than has been reported for some other district or some foreign port, the collector shall take possession thereof; but with the consent of the owner or consignee of any merchandise, or with the consent of the owner or master of the vessel in which the same may be imported, the merchandise may be taken possession of by the collector after one day's notice to the collector of the district. All merchandise so taken shall be delivered pursuant to the order of the collector of the district, for which a certificate or receipt shall be granted."

Approved, May 9, 1896.

May 11, 1896.

CHAP. 167.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to exchange in behalf of the United States the tract of land at Choctaw Point, Mobile County, Alabama, now belonging to the United States and held for light-house purposes, with the Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City Railroad Company for any other tract or parcel of land in said county equally well or better adapted to use for light-house purposes.

Choctaw Point Light, Ala.
Exchange of site authorized.

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 to exchange in behalf of the United States the tract of land at Choctaw Point, Mobile County, Alabama, belonging to the United States and held for light-house purposes, with the Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City Railroad Company for any other tract or parcel of land in said county which it may offer in exchange therefor and which shall be approved of by the Light-House Board as equally well or better adapted to use for light-house purposes and of equal value. And, upon making such exchange, the Secretary of the Treasury shall execute and deliver to said company a quitclaim deed for said Choctaw Point tract, and shall take from it a proper conveyance vesting in the United States title to the tract or parcel of land to be taken in exchange, together with delivery of possession of such tract, such title to be passed upon by the Attorney-General of the United States in the usual manner. And said tract or parcel of land so taken in exchange shall be held and used for light-house purposes: *Provided*, That the exchange herein provided for shall be without expense to the United States.

Deed.

Proviso.
Expense.

Approved, May 11, 1896.

May 11, 1896.

CHAP. 168.—An Act To provide for the disposal of public reservations in vacated town sites or additions to town sites in the Territory of Oklahoma.

Oklahoma.
Homestead entry authorized on vacated town sites.
Vol. 26, p. 91.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where a town site, or an addition to a town site, entered under the provisions of section twenty-two of an Act entitled "An Act to provide a temporary government for the Territory of Oklahoma, to enlarge the jurisdiction of the United States court in the Indian Territory, and for other purposes," approved May second, eighteen hundred and ninety, shall be vacated in accordance with the laws of the Territory of Oklahoma, and patents for the public reservations in such vacated town site, or addition thereto, have not been issued, it shall be lawful for the Commissioner of the General Land Office, upon an official showing that such town site, or addition thereto, has been vacated, and upon payment of