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assigns, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a certain lot of land in the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, known upon the plat or plan of said city as lot numbered five, in square eleven hundred and thirteen, upon the payment by the said Frank D. Orme into the Treasury of the United States of the sum of one thousand dollars, the assessed value of the said lot: *Provided*, That before the said conveyance is made the said Frank D. Orme shall satisfy the Secretary of the Interior that all taxes and assessments against such lot have been paid.

Proviso. Taxes, etc.

Approved, May 21, 1896.

CHAP. 216.—An Act Granting to Major C. A. Angel Post, Numbered Twenty, Grand Army of the Republic, of Lambertville, New Jersey, four condemned cannon and twenty cannon balls.

May 21, 1896.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to deliver to Major C. A. Angel Post, Numbered Twenty, Grand Army of the Republic, of Lambertville, New Jersey, four condemned cannon and twenty cannon balls, for the decoration of the soldiers' monument of said city: *Provided*, That the same can be spared without detriment to the service and that no expense is thereby incurred by the Government.

Condemned cannon. Donated to Grand Army post, Lambertville, N. J.

Proviso. Expense.

Approved, May 21, 1896.

CHAP. 217.—An Act To amend section twenty-nine hundred and eighty-one of the Revised Statutes as amended by the Act of June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty.

May 21, 1896.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twenty-nine hundred and eighty-one of the Revised Statutes be amended so as to read as follows:

Customs. Lien for freight, etc.

"SEC. 2981. That whenever the collector of the port of entry of the vessel, or other proper officer of the customs, shall be duly notified in writing of the existence of a lien for freight, charges, or contribution in general average upon imported goods, wares, or merchandise in his custody, he shall, before delivering such goods, wares, or merchandise to the importer, owner, or consignee thereof for consumption, or to any vessel or vehicle for transportation or exportation, give seasonable notice to the party or parties claiming the lien; and the possession by the officers of customs shall not affect the discharge of such lien, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe; and such officer shall refuse the delivery of such merchandise from any public or bonded warehouse or other place in which the same shall be deposited until proof to his satisfaction shall be produced that the freight, charges, or contribution in general average thereon has been paid or secured; but the rights of the United States shall not be prejudiced thereby, nor shall the United States or its officers be in any manner liable for losses consequent upon such refusal to deliver. If merchandise so subject to a lien, regarding which notice has been filed, shall be forfeited to the United States and sold, the freight, charges, or contribution in general average due thereon shall be paid from the proceeds of such sale in the same manner as other charges and expenses authorized by law to be paid therefrom are paid."

Notice of lien for freight, general average, etc., to be given consignee, carrier, etc. R. S., sec. 2981, p. 574, amended. Vol. 21, p. 175.

Delivery.

Sale of forfeited goods.

Approved, May 21, 1896.

CHAP. 218.—An Act To donate eight condemned cannon and one hundred cannon shot to the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery Association of Colorado.

May 21, 1896.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to deliver to the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery Association of the State of Colorado,

Condemned cannon. Donated Grand Army Cemetery Association, Colorado.