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CHAP. 91.—An Act For the establishment of a light-house and fog-signal station at or near the entrance to Maurice River, New Jersey.

Maurice River, N. J. Range lights etc., authorized.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That range lights and keeper's quarters be established at or near the entrance to Maurice River, Delaware Bay, New Jersey: *Provided*, That the same shall not cost more than four thousand five hundred dollars.

Proviso. Cost.

Approved, April 6, 1896.

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CHAP. 92.—An Act Authorizing the sale of title of the United States to certain tracts of land in the District of Columbia to Margaret Shugrue, Caroline Lochboehler, and John R. Scott.

Preamble.

Whereas Margaret Shugrue, Caroline Lochboehler, and John R. Scott, of the District of Columbia, and the grantors to them, have been in the peaceable and uninterrupted possession of the tracts of land in said District hereinafter described by metes and bounds for a period of about twenty years, under claims of title and bona fide belief that the same were indefeasible and in them, and under that belief have made valuable improvements thereon; and

Whereas under recent surveys ordered by the engineer officer in charge of the Washington Aqueduct it has been discovered that title to said tracts is in the United States: Now, therefore,

District of Columbia. Sale of United States title in certain lands to Margaret Shugrue, Caroline Lochboehler, and John R. Scott.

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 he is hereby, authorized and required to sell, grant, and convey unto Margaret Shugrue, of the District of Columbia, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and unto all that tract of land in the District of Columbia hereinafter described; to Caroline Lochboehler, of the District of Columbia, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and unto all that certain other tract of land in said District of Columbia, also hereinafter described; and to John R. Scott, of the District of Columbia, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and unto all that certain other tract of land in said District of Columbia, also hereinafter described, at prices to be determined by the Secretary of War upon consideration of all the circumstances of the cases, which prices shall be exclusive of the values of the improvements on said tracts of land: *Provided*, That the Secretary of War shall be of the opinion that the said sales will in no wise be detrimental to the Washington Aqueduct, and that the encroachments thereon were not fraudulent, and that the said Margaret Shugrue is the bona fide proprietor of the land adjacent to the tract hereinafter described that is to be sold to her; that Caroline Lochboehler is the bona fide proprietor of the land adjacent to the tract hereinafter described that is to be sold to her; and that John R. Scott is the bona fide proprietor of the land adjacent to the tract hereinafter described that is to be sold to him.

Price.

Proviso. Decision of Secretary of War as to ownership, etc.

Location. Margaret Shugrue.

Description of land to be sold to Margaret Shugrue: Beginning at a stone marked "W. A. 126," on the line of the northerly boundary of the United States land, near culvert twenty-four of the Washington Aqueduct, and running thence on said boundary north sixteen degrees and thirty eight minutes east one hundred and twenty-eight and two-tenths feet to boundary stone 28—K. 11; thence south fifty-two degrees and thirty minutes west one hundred and three and nine-tenths feet; thence south thirty-seven degrees and thirty minutes east seventy-five feet to the place of beginning, containing thirty-eight hundred and ninety-six square feet, or about eighty-nine one-thousandths of an acre.

Caroline Lochboehler.

Description of land to be sold to Caroline Lochboehler: Beginning at a stone marked "W. A. K. 3," on the southerly side of the United States land, near culvert twenty-six of the Washington Aqueduct, and running south forty degrees and twenty-five minutes east twenty and two-tenths feet; thence south fifty-seven degrees and fifteen minutes west