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Agents to receive payments.

SEC. 4. That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to designate such bonded fiscal agents or officers of the Reclamation Service as he may deem advisable on each reclamation project, to whom shall be paid all sums due on reclamation entries or water rights, and the officials so designated shall keep a record for the information of the public of the sums paid and the amount due at any time on account of any entry made or water right purchased under the reclamation Act; and the Secretary of the Interior shall make provision for furnishing copies of duly authenticated records of entries upon payment of reasonable fees, which copies shall be admissible in evidence, as are copies authenticated under section eight hundred and eighty-eight of the Revised Statutes.

Record to be kept.

Copies of records, etc.

R. S., sec. 888, p. 168.

Enforcement in district courts.

SEC. 5. That jurisdiction of suits by the United States for the enforcement of the provisions of this Act is hereby conferred on the United States district courts of the districts in which the lands are situated.

Approved, August 9, 1912.

August 9, 1912.
[H. R. 15509.]
[Public, No. 257.]

CHAP. 279.—An Act To authorize the construction and maintenance of a sewer pipe upon and across the Fort Rodman Military Reservation at New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Fort Rodman Military Reservation, Mass.
New Bedford granted right of way across.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of the United States is hereby given to the city of New Bedford, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to locate, construct, and maintain a sewer pipe upon and across the military reservation of Fort Rodman in said Commonwealth, upon such location and in accordance with such designs and plans as the Secretary of War may approve and under such conditions and regulations as he may prescribe.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, August 9, 1912.

August 9, 1912.
[S. 5309.]
[Public, No. 258.]

CHAP. 280.—An Act To amend section three of the Act of Congress approved May fourteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty (Twenty-first Statutes at Large, page one hundred and forty).

Public lands.
Homestead entries.
Vol. 21, p. 141, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section three of the Act of Congress approved May fourteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty (Twenty-first Statutes at Large, page one hundred and forty), be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following:

Preference rights to settlers on enlarged homesteads on nonirrigable lands.
Vol. 35, p. 639.
Vol. 36, p. 531.

Provided, That any settler upon lands designated by the Secretary of the Interior as subject to the provisions of sections one to five of the enlarged homestead Acts of February nineteenth, nineteen hundred and nine (Thirty-fifth Statutes at Large, page six hundred and thirty-nine), and June seventeenth, nineteen hundred and ten (Thirty-sixth Statutes at Large, page five hundred and thirty-one), shall be entitled to the preference right of entry accorded by this section, provided he shall have plainly marked the exterior boundaries of the lands claimed as his homestead: *And provided further,* That after the designation by the Secretary of the Interior of public lands for entry under the nonresidence provisions of the enlarged homestead Acts of February nineteenth, nineteen hundred and nine, and June seventeenth, nineteen hundred and ten, any person who shall have plainly marked the exterior boundaries of the lands claimed under said pro-

Boundaries to be marked.
Proviso.
Entry to be made in three months.