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visions of law and made valuable improvements thereon shall have a preference right to enter the lands so claimed and improved at any time within three months after the date on which such lands become subject to entry; but such right shall forfeit unless the settler or claimant under the provisions of the enlarged homestead Acts shall annually cultivate and improve the lands in the form and manner and to the extent therein required following date of initiation of his claim hereunder.

Forfeiture if not cultivated, etc.

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[Public, No. 259.]

**CHAP. 281.**—An Act To permit the construction of a subway and the maintenance of a railroad under the post-office building at or near Park Place, in the city of New York.

New York City.
Granted right of way for tunnels under post-office building.

*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, in his discretion, in the name and on behalf of the United States of America, to grant, convey, and release unto the city of New York, in the State of New York, for such consideration, nominal or otherwise, and upon such terms, conditions, provisos, and limitations, if any, as he shall deem proper, such temporary rights and easements and such permanent and perpetual underground rights, easements, and rights of way in, under, through, and across the property of the United States situated in the Borough of Manhattan, in the city of New York, in the county and State of New York, and comprising the block bounded by Broadway, Park Row, and Mail Street and also comprising part of Mail Street, as he shall deem necessary or proper for the construction and for the maintenance and operation in perpetuity of a two-track underground rapid-transit railroad running under, through, and across said property from Park Place to Beekman Street in said Borough of Manhattan, and also, if he shall deem proper, for the construction and for the maintenance and operation in perpetuity of a one-track spur or connection running under, through, and across said property from a point under Mail Street where a connection can be made with the existing City Hall loop of the so-called Manhattan-Bronx Rapid Transit Railroad to a point under Beekman Street where a connection can be made with the said two-track rapid-transit railroad above mentioned. The tracks of said rapid-transit railroad and of said spur or connection within the limits of said property shall be placed in subway or tunnel. The tracks of said two-track rapid-transit railroad within the limits of said property may either be placed in the same subway or tunnel or there may be a separate subway or tunnel for each track. In case the tracks shall be placed in the same subway or tunnel, such subway or tunnel may have a width of not exceeding forty feet, outside dimensions; and in case there shall be a separate subway or tunnel for each track, such subways or tunnels shall be substantially parallel with each other and on substantially the same level, and each of said subways or tunnels may have a width of not exceeding twenty-five feet, outside dimensions, and such subways or tunnels may be placed not more than twenty feet distant from each other. The top of the roof of such subways or tunnels of said two-track rapid-transit railroad within the limits of said property shall be not less than thirty-five feet below the present established grade of the surface of the street at the intersection of the center line of Broadway with the center line of Park Place extended. The subway or tunnel for the said one-track spur or connection above described within the limits of said property may have a width of not exceeding twenty-five feet, outside dimensions, and the top of the roof thereof shall be not less than fifteen feet

Description.

Construction.

below the present established grade of the surface of the street at the intersection of the center line of Broadway with the center line of Park Place extended.

Deeds to be executed.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to execute and acknowledge in proper form for record within the State and county of New York, and deliver to the public service commission for the first district of the State of New York, a deed or deeds to said city of New York as authorized in this Act.

Effect.

SEC. 3. That this Act shall take effect and be in force immediately.

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[H. R. 21888.]
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CHAP. 282.—An Act Providing for the sale of the United States unused post-office site at Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

Perth Amboy, N. J. Sale of unused public building site.

*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 and directed, in his discretion, to sell and convey the United States unused post-office site at Perth Amboy, New Jersey, at such time and on such terms as he may deem to be to the best interest of the United States, and to deposit the proceeds in the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt.

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[H. R. 18960.]
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CHAP. 284.—An Act Making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and thirteen.

Agricultural Department appropriations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, in full compensation for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, for the purposes and objects hereinafter expressed, namely:

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Pay of Secretary, Assistant, solicitor, clerks, etc.

SALARIES, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE: Secretary of Agriculture, twelve thousand dollars; Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, five thousand dollars; solicitor, five thousand dollars; chief clerk, three thousand dollars, and five hundred dollars additional as custodian of buildings; private secretary to the Secretary of Agriculture, two thousand five hundred dollars; stenographer and executive clerk to the Secretary of Agriculture, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars; private secretary to the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, one thousand six hundred dollars; stenographer to the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, one thousand four hundred dollars; one appointment clerk, two thousand dollars; one chief of supply division, two thousand dollars; one inspector, two thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars; one law clerk, at three thousand dollars; two law clerks, at two thousand five hundred dollars each; one law clerk, two thousand two hundred dollars; ten law clerks, at two thousand dollars each; eight law clerks, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each; three law clerks, at one thousand six hundred dollars each; one telegraph and telephone operator, one thousand six hundred dollars; two clerks, class four; six clerks, class three; ten clerks, class two; eighteen clerks, class one; eight clerks, at one thousand dollars each; six clerks, at nine hundred dollars each; one clerk, eight hundred and forty dollars; twelve messengers or laborers, at eight hundred and forty dollars each; ten assistant messengers or

Law clerks, etc.