

two of this Act no greater sum than \$10 shall be allowed for services in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting such claim, which sum shall be payable only upon the order of the Commissioner of Pensions under such rules and regulations as he may deem proper to make.

Approved, September 8, 1916.

September 8, 1916.
[H. R. 13046.]
[Public, No. 279.]

CHAP. 471.—An Act To consolidate certain forest lands in the Oregon National Forest, in the State of Oregon.

Oregon National Forest, Oreg.
Exchange for privately owned lands to add to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of consolidating forest lands belonging to the United States within the Oregon National Forest, the Secretary of the Interior be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture, to exchange, upon the basis of equal value, lands belonging to the United States in the Oregon National Forest for privately owned lands lying within the exterior limits of the Oregon National Forest; and upon the consummation of such exchanges the lands deeded to the United States shall become parts of the Oregon National Forest.

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[H. R. 14533.]
[Public, No. 280.]

CHAP. 472.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee simple to the district school board numbered one hundred and twelve, of White Earth Village, Becker County, Minnesota, for a certain tract of land upon payment therefor to the United States in trust for the Chippewa Indians of Minnesota.

White Earth Village, Minn.
Sale of Indian lands to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to issue to the district school board numbered one hundred and twelve, of White Earth Village, Becker County, Minnesota, a patent for the east half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty-two, in township one hundred and forty-two north, range forty-one west, of the fifth principal meridian, in the State of Minnesota, or such part thereof as the said district school board may select, upon payment by them to the United States in trust for the Chippewa Indians of Minnesota of the appraised value of said land.

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[H. R. 14824.]
[Public, No. 281.]

CHAP. 473.—An Act To prevent fraud at public auctions in the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.
Auction sales without permit, etc., unlawful.

Issue for deceptive, etc., sales forbidden.

Duration of permit.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter, excepting sales made under authority of law, it shall be unlawful in the District of Columbia for any person, firm, or corporation, either for himself or itself, or for another or for any firm, or corporation to sell or offer to sell at public auction any stock or stocks of merchandise, in whole or in part, without first obtaining from the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia a written or printed permit so to do; and the said Board of Commissioners shall not issue a permit for any such sale or sales until they are satisfied that neither fraud nor deception of any kind is contemplated or will be practiced, and that neither the sale, the reasons therefor nor the goods to be sold have not already been or will not thereafter be fraudulently or falsely advertised or in any wise whatsoever misrepresented.

SEC. 2. That every such permit shall be issued for a definite period of time not exceeding twelve months from its date of issue, and the