

by the public prior to the date of the application for said letters-patent, which was filed on the twenty-third day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, said invention so granted and confirmed being described in said letters and application as an "Improved device for sheering booms— letters-patent number eighty thousand six hundred and sixty-three, dated August fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight— Levi W. Pond, of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, assignor to himself and Eau Claire Lumber Company, of same place:" *Provided*, That all rights and privileges heretofore sold and granted by said patentees to make, construct, use, or vend the said invention, and not forfeited by the purchasers or grantees, shall inure to, and be enjoyed by, such purchasers or grantees respectively as fully and upon the same conditions, during the period hereby granted, as for the term that did exist when such sale or grant was made.

Rights, &c., heretofore sold.

Persons who had erected such machine, &c., for more than, &c., to have the right to use that specific machine.

SEC. 2. That any person who had, more than two years prior to the date of the application for said letters-patent, bona fide erected or constructed any such machine or structure for the purpose of putting said invention into use in any of its modifications, shall have and enjoy the right of using said invention in any such specific machine or structure so actually erected more than two years prior to the date of said application for said letters-patent as aforesaid, in all respects as though this act had not been passed: *Provided, however*, That no person without grant or license from said patentees, or their assigns, shall have or enjoy by virtue of this act any other or greater privileges or rights than he would have or enjoy if this act had not been passed.

APPROVED, June 10, 1872.

June 10, 1872. CHAP. CDXXXIII. — *An Act to provide for the Erection of a Building suitable for the Use of the United States Courts, Post-office, and other necessary Government Offices, at Raleigh, North Carolina.*

Suitable building to be erected at Raleigh, N. C.

Court-house, post-office, &c.

Appropriation.

Plans and estimates. Limit to cost.

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 to cause to be erected a suitable building with a fire-proof vault extending to each story, at Raleigh, in the State of North Carolina, for the use and accommodation of the courts of the United States, post-office, and other offices of the government. And for such purpose there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, one hundred thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall cause proper plans and estimates to be made, so that the whole expenditure for the erection and completion of the said building shall not exceed the sum hereby appropriated.

APPROVED, June 10, 1872.

June 10, 1872. CHAP. CDXXXIV. — *An Act amendatory of an Act approved March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "An Act amendatory of 'An Act to provide a temporary Government for the Territory of Montana,' approved May twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four."*

Legislative assemblies of territories of the United States may by general laws permit corporations to be formed for certain purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of an act approved March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "An act amendatory of 'An act to provide a temporary government for the Territory of Montana,' approved May twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four," so far as relates to incorporations which have been, or which may hereafter be, created and organized for the business of mining, manufacturing, or other industrial pursuits, on the construction or operation of railroads, wagon-roads, irrigating ditches, and the colonization and improvement of lands in connection therewith, or for colleges, seminaries, churches, libraries, or any benevolent, charitable or scientific association, and for all rightful subjects of legislation consistent with the Constitution

of the United States, under the general incorporation laws of any Territory of the United States, shall be construed as having authorized and as authorizing the legislative assemblies of the Territories of the United States, by general incorporation acts, to permit persons to associate together as bodies corporate for purposes above named.

APPROVED, June 10, 1872.

CHAP. CDXXXV.—*An Act to reimburse the State of Nevada for Expenses incurred while a Territory in Purchase of a Prison and in Support of United States Courts.* June 10, 1872.

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 to pay, out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of sixty thousand dollars, to be received in full payment of all claims against the United States for expenses incurred by said Territory of Nevada.

Nevada to be reimbursed for expenses of courts and a prison, incurred while a territory.

APPROVED, June 10, 1872.

CHAP. CDXXXVI.—*An Act for the Relief of certain Tribes of Indians in the northern Superintendency.* June 10, 1872.
See Post, p. 517.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That with the consent and concurrence of the Omaha tribe of Indians, expressed in open council in the usual manner, the Secretary of the Interior be, and hereby is, authorized to cause to be surveyed, if necessary, a portion of their reservation in the State of Nebraska, not exceeding fifty thousand acres, to be taken from the western part thereof, and to be separated from the remaining portion of said reservation by a line running along the section lines from north to south. The said lands so separated shall be appraised by three competent commissioners, one of whom shall be selected by said Omaha tribe of Indians in open council, and the other two shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Interior. After the survey and appraisement of said lands, as herein provided, the Secretary of the Interior shall be, and hereby is, authorized to offer the same for sale for cash in hand; and sealed proposals, duly invited by public advertisements, shall be received for the same for tracts not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres each, and also for the entire body offered; and he shall be, and hereby is, authorized to accept the proposal for the entire tract, or the highest bids for separate tracts, whichever shall be deemed best for the interests of the Indians: *Provided,* That no bids for separate tracts shall be accepted which may be less than the appraised value of such tract, nor less than one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre; or for the entire tract which shall be less than the aggregate appraised value of the same, nor less than one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre. The proceeds of such sale shall be placed to the credit of said Indians on the books of the treasury of the United States, and bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, except such portion thereof as the Secretary of the Interior, with the approval of the President of the United States, may deem necessary to be expended for their immediate use in improving and fencing farms, building houses, purchasing implements of agriculture and live stock, and in establishing and supporting schools: *Provided also,* That not more than twenty-five per centum of the principal of the aggregate amount of sales of said lands shall be expended in any one year: *Provided,* That no sale shall be approved unless the average sales of each of said parcels of said land shall be at least two dollars and fifty cents per acre.

Western part of reservation of the Omahas in Nebraska to be separated and surveyed, if, &c.;

to be appraised.

Proposals for purchase for cash, as a whole or in tracts, to be invited by advertisement.

Best bid to be accepted.

Certain bids to be rejected.

Proceeds of sale to be placed to credit of the Indians, at interest, except, &c.,

Provisos.

SEC. 2. That with the consent and concurrence of the Pawnee tribe of Indians, expressed in open council in the usual manner, the Secretary of the Interior be, and hereby is, authorized to cause to be surveyed, if nec-

Portion of the reservation of the Pawnees in Nebraska to be