

August 4, 1892.

CHAP. 375.—An act to authorize the entry of lands chiefly valuable for building stone under the placer mining laws.

Public lands.
Entries for building-
stone under placer
claims.

Proviso.
School lands.

Timber and stone
lands in all public-
land States may be
sold.
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Forest reservations
not affected.
Vol. 26, p. 1103.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any person authorized to enter lands under the mining laws of the United States may enter lands that are chiefly valuable for building stone under the provisions of the law in relation to placer mineral claims: *Provided,* That lands reserved for the benefit of the public schools or donated to any State shall not be subject to entry under this act.

SEC. 2. That an act entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the State of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," approved June third, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, be, and the same is hereby, amended by striking out the words "States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory" where the same occur in the second and third lines of said act, and insert in lieu thereof the words, "public-land States," the purpose of this act being to make said act of June third, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, applicable to all the public-land States.

SEC. 3. That nothing in this act shall be construed to repeal section twenty-four of the act entitled "An act to repeal timber-culture laws, and for other purposes," approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one,

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CHAP. 376.—An act for the relief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Eastern Cherokees,
North Carolina.
Payment of taxes.

Sales of timber re-
voked.

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 is hereby authorized to use so much of the fund to the credit of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians located in the State of North Carolina on the books of the Treasury as may be necessary for the payment annually of taxes upon such of their lands as are held in common, and also for the payment of the taxes that have already accrued, and for which the said lands were sold, together with costs incurred upon conveyance of purchasers of said lands to said Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

All orders or provisions for the sale of timber on said lands to pay the accrued taxes and incumbrances on the same are hereby revoked.

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CHAP. 379.—An act granting pensions to army nurses.

Army nurses.
To receive pensions.

Rate.

Proviso.
To receive only one
pension.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all women employed by the Surgeon General of the Army as nurses, under contract or otherwise, during the late war of the rebellion, or who were employed as nurses during such period by authority which is recognized by the War Department, and who rendered actual service as nurses in attendance upon the sick or wounded in any regimental, post, camp, or general hospital of the armies of the United States for a period of six months or more, and who were honorably relieved from such service, and who are now or may hereafter be unable to earn a support, shall, upon making due proof of the fact according to such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may provide, be placed upon the list of pensioners of the United States and be entitled to receive a pension of twelve dollars per month, and such pension shall commence from the date of filing of the application in the Pension Office after the passage of this act: *Provided,* That no person shall receive more than one pension for the same period.

SEC. 2. That no fee, compensation, or allowance shall be paid to, received, or accepted by any agent, attorney, or other person instrumental in the prosecution of any claim for pension under this act; and any person who may make any claim upon any applicant for any fee, compensation, or allowance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars, or imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court; and it shall be the duty of the Interior and War Departments to render all proper aid to applicants under this act.

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No fee to agent, etc.

Penalty for claiming.

CHAP. 380.—An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and for other purposes.

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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 the same are hereby, appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, namely:

Sundry civil expenses appropriations.

UNDER THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

Under State Department.

To pay the expenses of printing, in compliance with the requirements of the act of February third, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, the certified copies of the final ascertainment of the electors for President and Vice-President of the United States, as transmitted by the executive of each State to the Secretary of State, one thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Printing certified copies of electoral vote.
Vol. 24, p. 373.

Binding manuscript papers: For completing the restoration, mounting, and binding of certain manuscript letters and papers of Washington, Hamilton, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, and others, in the Department of State, five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Binding manuscript papers.

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY CONFERENCE: The President of the United States is hereby authorized to appoint five commissioners to an international conference, to be held at a place to be hereafter designated, with a view to secure, internationally, a fixity of relative value between gold and silver, as money, by means of a common ratio between those metals, with free mintage at such ratio, and for compensation of said commissioners, and for all reasonable expenses connected therewith, to be approved by the Secretary of State, including the proportion to be paid by the United States of the joint expenses of such conference, eighty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

International monetary conference.
Expenses of commissioners, etc.

UNITED STATES AND MEXICAN BOUNDARY SURVEY: To enable the President to complete the execution of the engagements of the convention of July twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, between the United States of America and the United States of Mexico, providing for an international boundary survey to relocate the existing frontier line between the two countries west of the Rio Grande, and the convention of February eighteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, between the United States of America and the United States of Mexico, fifty thousand dollars, in addition to the one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars appropriated by the act of March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and the act of September thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety, and a detailed account of the expenditure of these appropriations shall be reported to Congress.

Mexican boundary survey.
Vol. 22, p. 986.

Vol. 26, p. 1493.

Vol. 23, p. 478.

Vol. 26, p. 504.

For providing naval and coaling stations, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to be expended under direction of the President.

Naval and coaling stations.