

building herein authorized to be constructed, the Secretary of the Treasury shall proceed by due and proper advertisement, and under such regulations, conditions, and stipulations as he may prescribe, or as Congress may hereafter direct, to sell to the highest bidder the present building and site upon which it is located, in Houston, Texas, now owned by the United States Government and now used and occupied as a post office, courthouse, customhouse, and for other governmental purposes, and deposit the proceeds thereof into the Treasury of the United States," be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Approved, April 30, 1912.

CHAP. 99.—An Act To supplement the Act of June twenty-second, nineteen hundred and ten, entitled "An Act to provide for agricultural entries on coal lands."

April 30, 1912.
[H. R. 8784.]

[Public, No. 141.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this Act unreserved public lands of the United States, exclusive of Alaska, which have been withdrawn or classified as coal lands or are valuable for coal shall, in addition to the classes of entries or filings described in the Act of Congress approved June twenty-second, nineteen hundred and ten, entitled "An Act to provide for agricultural entries on coal lands," be subject to selection by the several States within whose limits the lands are situate, under grants made by Congress, and to disposition, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior, under the laws providing for the sale of isolated or disconnected tracts of public lands, but there shall be a reservation to the United States of the coal in all such lands so selected or sold and of the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same in accordance with the provisions of said Act of June twenty-second, nineteen hundred and ten, and such lands shall be subject to all the conditions and limitations of said Act.

Public lands.
Disposal of surface
of coal lands to States,
etc.

Vol. 36, p. 583.

Approved, April 30, 1912.

CHAP. 100.—An Act For the relief of homestead entrymen under the reclamation projects in the United States.

April 30, 1912.
[H. R. 18792.]

[Public, No. 142.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no qualified entryman who prior to June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, made bona fide entry upon lands proposed to be irrigated under the provisions of the Act of June seventeenth, nineteen hundred and two, the national reclamation law, and who established residence in good faith upon the lands entered by him, shall be subject to contest for failure to maintain residence or make improvements upon his land prior to the time when water is available for the irrigation of the lands embraced in his entry, but all such entrymen shall, within ninety days after the issuance of the public notice required by section four of the reclamation Act, fixing the date when water will be available for irrigation, file in the local land office a water-right application for the irrigable lands embraced in his entry, in conformity with the public notice and approved farm-unit plat for the township in which his entry lies, and shall also file an affidavit that he has reestablished his residence on the land with the intention of maintaining the same for a period sufficient to enable him to make final proof: *Provided,* That no such entryman shall be entitled to have counted as part of the required period of residence any period of time during which he was not actually upon the said land prior to the date of the notice afore-

Irrigation Act.
Homesteaders under,
allowed time to reestablish residence after water available.
Vol. 36, p. 864.
Vol. 32, p. 888.

Proviso.
Actual residence required.

said, and no application for the entry of said lands shall be received until after the expiration of the ninety days after the issuance of notice within which the entryman is hereby required to reestablish his residence and apply for water right.

Approved, April 30, 1912.

April 30, 1912.
[H. R. 20491.]

[Public, No. 143.]

Public lands.
Time extended for
final proof in desert-
land entries.
Vol. 35, p. 52.

Provisos.
Proof of delay in
receipt of water.

Limit of extension.

CHAP. 101.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to grant further extension of time within which to make proof on desert-land entries.

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 may, in his discretion, in addition to the extension authorized by existing law, grant to any entryman under the desert-land laws a further extension of the time within which he is required to make final proof: *Provided,* That such entryman shall, by his corroborated affidavit filed in the land office of the district where such land is located, show to the satisfaction of the Secretary that because of unavoidable delay in the construction of irrigation works intended to convey water to the land embraced in his entry he is, without fault on his part, unable to make proof of the reclamation and cultivation of said lands as required by law within the time limited therefor; but such extension shall not be granted for a period of more than three years, and this Act shall not affect contests initiated for a valid existing reason: *Provided,* That the total extension of the statutory period for making final proof that may be allowed in any one case under this Act, and any other existing statutes of either general or local application, shall be limited to six years in the aggregate.

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April 30, 1912.
[H. R. 13988.]

[Public, No. 144.]

Tobacco statistics.
Semiannual reports
of leaf tobacco in
hands of dealers, etc.,
to be made.
Post, p. 477.

Quantities exempt.

Amounts to be
reported.

CHAP. 102.—An Act To authorize the Director of the Census to collect and publish additional statistics of tobacco.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Director of the Census be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to collect and publish, in addition to the tobacco reports now being made by him, statistics of the quantity of leaf tobacco in all forms in the United States in the possession of all persons who are dealers or manufacturers, other than the original growers of tobacco, to be summarized and returned by the holder to the Director of the Census as of the dates of October first and April first of each year, provided that the Director of the Census shall not be required to collect statistics of leaf tobacco from any manufacturer of tobacco who in the preceding calendar year, according to the returns to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, manufactured less than fifty thousand pounds of tobacco, or from any manufacturer of cigars who during the preceding calendar year manufactured less than two hundred and fifty thousand cigars, or from any manufacturer of cigarettes who during the preceding calendar year manufactured less than one million cigarettes, or from any dealer in leaf tobacco who, on the average, had less than fifty thousand pounds in stock at the ends of the four quarters of the preceding calendar year, and every manufacturer of tobacco who, in the preceding calendar year, according to the return of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue manufactured more than fifty thousand pounds of tobacco, and every manufacturer of cigars who, during the preceding calendar year, manufactured more than two hundred and fifty thousand cigars, and every manufacturer of cigarettes who, during the preceding calendar year, manufactured more than one million cigarettes, and every dealer in or manufacturer of leaf tobacco who, on an average, during