

“Personal oversight should be exercised by you of the bargains and sales made by Indians under this authority, and that they should understand that a failure to observe the restrictions of this permission will result in a forfeiture of the permit

“Yours respectfully

“H. PRICE,
“Commissioner”; and

Whereas, under the authority supposed to be conferred by the said letter of instructions, said Indian agent permitted the Indians upon the reservations under the charge of the said agency to proceed to cut into logs a considerable quantity of timber of the kind designated in said letter of instructions, in which work they are now engaged; and

Whereas the authority of said Commissioner to authorize such sale, disposal, cutting, or removal of such timber has been called in question: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the instructions of the said Commissioner of Indian Affairs contained in the above recited letter to the said Indian agent at the Green Bay Agency, in the State of Wisconsin, be, and the same are hereby, ratified and confirmed, and all acts done or permitted by said agent in pursuance thereof are hereby legalized and declared valid; and the disposal of all timber cut or prepared for market, or which may be cut or prepared for market during the logging season of the present year, is hereby authorized in conformity with said instructions; and the logs or timber so cut shall be subject to all remedies which are provided by the laws of the State of Wisconsin to enforce liens upon logs or timber.

Indian agent, Green Bay Agency, Wisconsin, instructions to, by Commissioner of Indian Affairs, legalized.

Rights of the State preserved.

Approved, March 31, 1882.

CHAP. 58.—An act for the relief of Captain William D. Whiting.

Apr. 1, 1882.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Captain William D. Whiting, United States Navy, having been promoted for faithful and efficient war service, and having served in the Navy faithfully for forty years and upwards, and having been appointed Chief of the Bureau of Navigation of the Navy Department, with the relative rank of Commodore, and holding the said position on the date of his retirement, in pursuance of law, on account of physical incapacity, such incapacity having been contracted on duty or being incident thereto, the name of the said William D. Whiting is hereby authorized to be placed on the retired list of the United States Navy with the rank and retired pay of a Commodore, as though he had been promoted to the said grade prior to his retirement.

William D. Whiting.

Placed on the retired list of the Navy, with the rank and pay of commodore.

Approved, April 1, 1882.

CHAP. 59.—An act to amend an act entitled “An act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, and for other purposes” approved March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

Apr. 1, 1882.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section three of the act entitled “An act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, and for other purposes” approved March third, eighteen hundred and eighty one, be amended by adding the words “and convey” after the word “sell” in line two, so as to make it read “sell and convey”; After the words “four

Sale of property of District of Columbia. 21 Stat., sec. 3, 467, amended.

hundred and ninety" in line five, add the words "and parts of lots one and seventeen in square three hundred and seventy-two" After the word "the", in line fourteen, add the words "purchase of lots and the", so as to make it read "purchase of lots and the erection"; After the word "two", in line fourteen, add the words "or more", so as to make it read "two or more new police station-houses"; so that section three of said act will read as follows:

"SEC. 3. That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to sell and convey, to the highest bidder, at public auction, the following-named property belonging to the said District of Columbia in Washington City: Lot three, square three hundred and eighty-two, part of lot three, square four hundred and ninety, and parts of lots one and seventeen in square three hundred and seventy-two; and also the following-named property in the city of Georgetown belonging to said District: Fish-wharf on square six, part of lots forty-seven, forty-eight, and forty-nine in square thirty, and part of lot two hundred and forty-five in square ninety-nine: *Provided*, That if, in the opinion of said Commissioners, the highest bid made at said sale for any or all of said lots is not a full and fair price for the same, the said Commissioners shall have the right to reject such bid or bids and annul said sale or sales; and that the proceeds of the sale of the said lots situate in Washington shall be applied to the purchase of lots and the erection and furnishing of two or more new police station houses in Washington; and the proceeds of the sale of the said lots situate in Georgetown, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be applied to the purchase of a lot and the erection and furnishing of a new engine-house for Engine Company Number Five of the District of Columbia fire department, at present located in said city of Georgetown."

Approved, April 1, 1882.

Apr. 1, 1882.

CHAP. 60.—An act authorizing the construction of a bridge over the Missouri River, at or near Arrow Rock, Missouri.

Hannibal and Southwestern Railway Company to construct bridge over the Missouri River at Arrow Rock, Mo.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the Hannibal and Southwestern Railway Company, a corporation duly and legally incorporated under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Missouri, its assigns or successors to construct and maintain a bridge, and approaches thereto, over the Missouri River at or near Arrow Rock, in the county of Saline, in said State. Said bridge shall be constructed to provide for the passage of railway trains, and, at the option of the persons by whom it may be built, may be used for the passage of wagons and vehicles of all kinds, for the transit of animals, and for foot passengers, for such reasonable rates of toll as may be approved from time to time by the Secretary of War.

Shall be a post-route, and a lawful structure.

SEC. 2.—That any bridge built under this act, and subject to its limitations, shall be a lawful structure, and shall be recognized and known as a post-route, upon which also no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the troops, and the munitions of war of the United States, or passengers or freight passing over said bridge, than the rate per mile paid for the transportation over the railroad or public highways leading to the said bridge; and it shall enjoy the rights and privileges of other post-roads in the United States.

Spans.

SEC. 3.—That if said bridge shall be made with unbroken and continuous spans, the spans thereof shall not be less than three hundred feet in length in the clear, and the main span shall be over the main channel of the river. The lowest part of the superstructure of said bridge shall be at least fifty feet above extreme high-water mark, as understood at the point of location, and the bridge shall be at right angles to, and its piers parallel with, the current of the river: *Provided*,

Provided.