

CHAP. LXXVII. — *An Act to vacate and sell the present Indian Reservations in Utah Territory, and to settle the Indians of said Territory in the Uinta Valley.* May 5, 1864.

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 and required to cause the several Indian reservations heretofore made, or occupied as such, in the territory of Utah, excepting Uinta valley, to be surveyed into tracts or lots, not exceeding eighty acres each, under the direction of the commissioner of the general land-office, and upon the completion of such surveys shall cause said tracts or lots to be sold, upon sealed bids, to be duly invited by public advertisement, for a period not less than three months, in a newspaper of general circulation published in the territory of Utah, and also a newspaper published in Washington, to the highest and best bidder; said bids may be filed with the governor of said territory at the seat of government thereof, and with the Secretary of the Interior in Washington; such bids as may be received by said governor shall, without opening the same, be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior, when the same, with the bids filed with him, shall be opened in the presence of the Secretary of the Interior, the commissioner of public lands, and the commissioner of Indian affairs, and any bidders who may choose to be present at the opening thereof; and the Secretary of the Interior shall apply the proceeds of such sales to the construction of improvements upon the reservations which may be established under the provisions of this act, or by other lawful authority, or to the purchase of stock, agricultural implements, or such other useful articles as to him may seem best adapted to the wants and requirements of the Indians: *Provided,* That no tract of land shall be sold under the provisions of this section for less than its appraised value in cash, to be duly ascertained by commissioners appointed by the Secretary of the Interior for that purpose.

Indian reservations in Utah Territory to be surveyed and sold.
 Uinta valley excepted.
 Mode of sale.

Proceeds of sales, how to be applied.

Minimum price.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the superintendent of Indian affairs for the territory of Utah be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to collect and settle all or so many of the Indians of said territory as may be found practicable in the Uinta valley, in said territory, which is hereby set apart for the permanent settlement and exclusive occupation of such of the different tribes of Indians of said territory as may be induced to inhabit the same.

The Indians in the territory to be settled in Uinta valley.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That, for the purpose of making agricultural improvements in the Uinta valley for the comfort of the Indians who may inhabit the same, and to enable them to become self-sustaining by means of agriculture, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of thirty thousand dollars, which sum shall be expended by the superintendent of Indian affairs for said territory, under the instruction of the Secretary of the Interior.

Appropriation for agricultural improvements therein.

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CHAP. LXXVIII. — *An Act for the Prevention and Punishment of Frauds in Relation to the Names of Vessels.* May 5, 1864.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That every steamboat of the United States shall, in addition to having her name painted on her stern, as now required by law, also have the same conspicuously placed in distinct, plain letters, of not less than six inches in length, on each outer side of the pilot-house, if it has such, and (in case the said boat has side-wheels) also on the outer side of each wheel-house; and if any such steamboat shall be found without having her name placed as herein required, she shall be subject to the same penalty and forfeiture as is now provided by law in the case of a vessel of the United States found without having her

Names of steamboats, where to be placed on the vessel.
 Penalty.

name and the name of the port to which she belongs painted on her stern, as required by law.

Name not to be changed nor deception practised as to name.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That no master, owner, or agent of any vessel of the United States shall in any way change the name of such vessel, or by any device, advertisement, or contrivance, deceive, or attempt to deceive, the public, or any officer or agent of the United States government, or of any state, or any corporation or agent thereof, or any person or persons, as to the true name of such vessel, on pain of the forfeiture of such vessel: *Provided*, That this act shall not take effect until the expiration of sixty days from and after its passage.

When act takes effect.

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CHAP. LXXIX. — *An Act making a Grant of Lands to the State of Minnesota, to aid in the Construction of the Railroad from Saint Paul to Lake Superior.*

Lands granted to Minnesota for a railroad from Saint Paul to head of Lake Superior.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and there is hereby, granted to the state of Minnesota for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a railroad in said state from the city of Saint Paul to the head of Lake Superior, every alternate section of public land of the United States, not mineral, designated by odd numbers, to the amount of five alternate sections per mile on each side of the said railroad on the line thereof, within the state of Minnesota; but in case it shall appear that the United States have, when the line or route of said road is definitely fixed, sold, appropriated, reserved, or otherwise disposed of any sections, or any part thereof, granted as aforesaid, or that the right of preëmption or homestead settlement has attached to the same, then it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to select from the lands of the United States nearest to the lines of sections above specified, in alternate sections or parts thereof, so much public land of the United States, not mineral, as shall be equal in amount to such lands as the United States have sold or otherwise appropriated, or to which the rights of preëmption or homestead settlement may have attached, as aforesaid; which lands thus selected in lieu of those sold, reserved, or otherwise appropriated or disposed of, or to which the rights of preëmption or homestead settlement may have attached, as aforesaid, together with the sections and parts of sections designated as aforesaid, and appropriated as aforesaid, shall be held and disposed of by the said state for the use and purpose aforesaid: *Provided*, That the land to be so selected shall in no case be located farther than twenty miles from the lines of said road: *And provided, further*, That the lands hereby granted for and on account of said road shall be exclusively applied in the construction of the same, and for no other purpose whatever, and shall be disposed of only as the work progresses through the same, as in this act hereinafter provided: *Provided, also*, That no part of the land granted by this act shall be applied to aid in the construction of any railroad, or part thereof, for the construction of which any previous grant of land may have been made by congress: *And provided, further*, That any and all lands heretofore reserved to the United States by any act of congress, or in any other manner by competent authority, for the purpose of aiding in any object of internal improvement, or for any other purpose whatsoever, be, and the same are hereby, reserved to the United States, from the operations of this act, except so far as it may be found necessary to locate the route of the said road through such reserved lands; in which case the right of way only shall be granted, subject to the approval of the President of the United States: *Provided, further*, That the minimum price of the even sections and parts of sections of the public lands of the United States, within the limits of ten miles on each side of the line of said road, shall be two dollars and fifty cents per acre.

Reserved or preëmpted lands.

Land not to be located more than twenty miles from the road.

Lands granted, how to be applied.

Not to be applied to certain roads.

Former reservations not within this act.

Minimum price of the lands not granted.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever said state shall