

Proceedings on appeal.

Proviso.

and modes of proceeding as the said Supreme Court have prescribed or may hereafter prescribe: *Provided*, That on appeal, instead of the evidence at large, a statement of the facts of the case in the nature of a special verdict, and also the rulings of the court on the admission or rejection of evidence when excepted to, shall be made and certified by the court below, and transmitted to the Supreme Court together with the transcript of the proceedings and judgment or decree; but no appellate proceedings in said Supreme Court, heretofore taken upon any such judgment or decree, shall be invalidated by reason of being instituted by writ of error or by appeal: *And provided further*, That the appellate court may make any order in any case heretofore appealed, which may be necessary to save the rights of the parties; and that this act shall not apply to cases now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States where the record has already been filed.

Approved, April 7, 1874.

April 9, 1874. 1864, ch. 80, §§ 3, 9 vol. xiii, pp. 67, 68

CHAP. 82.—An act to extend the time for completing the Wisconsin Central Railroad in Wisconsin.

Extension of time for completing Wisconsin Central Railroad.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time specified in the ninth section of the act of Congress approved May fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act granting lands to aid in the construction of certain railroads in the State of Wisconsin," for the completion of the road mentioned in the third section of said act, and for the reversion to the United States of the lands granted by said act, to aid in the construction of said road, be, and the same is hereby, extended until the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

Approved, April 9, 1874.

April 14, 1874.

CHAP. 93.—An act to grant an American register to the Canadian tug "Noah P. Sprague."

American register to tug "Noah P. Sprague."

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 is hereby authorized and directed to issue an American register to the American-built Canadian tug "Noah P. Sprague," owned by Edward Evans, of Tonawando, Niagara county, State of New York, said tug having been recently rebuilt in the city of Buffalo, in said State.

Approved, April 14, 1874.

April 15, 1874.

CHAP. 96.—An act to establish a reservation for certain Indians in the Territory of Montana.

Indian reservation established in Montana.

Boundaries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following described tract of country, in the Territory of Montana, be, and the same is hereby, set apart for the use and occupation of the Gros Ventre, Piegan, Blood, Blackfoot, River Crow, and such other Indians as the President may, from time to time, see fit to locate thereon, viz: Commencing at the northwest corner of the Territory of Dakota, being the intersection of the forty-ninth parallel of north latitude and the one hundred and fourth meridian of west longitude; thence south to the south bank of the Missouri river; thence up and along the south bank of said river, to a point opposite the mouth of the Maria's river; thence along the main channel of the Maria's river to Birch Creek; thence up the main channel of Birch Creek to its source; thence west to the summit of the

main chain of the Rocky Mountains; thence along the summit of the Rocky Mountains to the northern boundary of Montana; thence along said northern boundary to the place of beginning.

Approved, April 15, 1874.

CHAP. 97.—An act authorizing the payment of annuities into the treasury of the Seminole tribe of Indians. April 15, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, with the sanction of the Secretary of the Interior and the President of the United States, in distributing and paying annuities, interest, or other moneys now due or hereafter to become due to the Seminole tribe of Indians under the provisions of the eighth article of the treaty between the Creek and Seminole Indians and the United States, concluded August seventh, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, shall be authorized to expend the same for such objects as will best promote the comfort, civilization, and improvement of the Seminole Indians, or in his discretion, with the sanction of the Secretary and the President aforesaid, shall be authorized to pay such annuities or any part thereof into the treasury of the Seminole nation to be used as the council of the same shall provide, instead of paying the same per capita according to the terms of said treaty: *Provided,* That said agreement shall provide that the sum of five thousand dollars shall be annually appropriated out of said annuity to the school fund of said tribe: *And provided further,* That the consent of said tribe to such expenditures and payment shall be first obtained.

Payment of annuities to Seminole Indians.
Vol. xi, pp. 702, 703.
How moneys may be expended.
School fund.
Consent of tribe required.

Approved, April 15, 1874.

CHAP. 98.—An act to donate the military reservation at Fort Steilacoom to the Territory of Washington for the use of the insane asylum. April 15, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section thirty-three of township numbered twenty north, of range numbered two east of Willamette meridian, embracing a portion of Fort Steilacoom military reservation, and the military barracks thereon, in the county of Pierce, and the Territory of Washington, be, and the same is hereby, donated to the said Territory of Washington for the use and purpose of an asylum for the insane of said Territory, and for no other purpose: *Provided,* That this act shall not be construed or have the effect to impair any rights of any person in or to any portion of said lands acquired under any of the land laws of the United States.

Portion of Fort Steilacoom reservation granted to Washington Territory for an insane asylum.
Rights of settlers, &c., not impaired.

Approved, April 15, 1874.

CHAP. 99.—An act to forfeit to the United States certain lands granted to the Placerville and Sacramento Valley Railroad Company to aid in constructing a railroad from the town of Folsom to the town of Placerville, in the State of California. April 15, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all lands which were granted by Congress in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six to the Placerville and Sacramento Valley Railroad Company to aid in constructing a railroad from the town of Folsom to the town of Placerville, in the State of California, and which have not been patented by the United States to said company under said grant which have expired by limitation, are hereby declared forfeited to the United States, and these lands shall hereafter be disposed of as other public lands of the United States.

Forfeiture of certain lands granted to the Placerville and Sacramento Valley Railroad Company.

Approved, April 15, 1874.