

Papers and records to be transmitted to the commission.

Records and documents to be returned.

hereby authorized and required to transmit to the said commissioners such papers or records relating to the said commission as he may deem proper, or as may be called for by the said commissioners, and at the close of the commission, and of the duties of the umpire, all the records, documents, and all other papers which have been presented on behalf of the claimants, citizens of the United States, shall be returned to the Department of State, or be deposited in the Legation of the United States at Lima, as the President may direct.

APPROVED, March 3, 1863.

March 3, 1863. CHAP. CII. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to promote the Progress of the useful Arts."*

Renewal of oath.

Repeal of part of 1836, ch. 102, § 7.

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Reduction of pay of examiners and clerks, may be made up.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That so much of section seven of the act entitled "An act to promote the progress of the useful arts," approved July four, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, as requires a renewal of the oath, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That, whereas, the falling off of the revenue of the patent-office required a reduction of the compensation of the examiners and clerks, or other employees in the office after the thirty-first day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, that the commissioner of patents be, and he is hereby, authorized, whenever the revenue of the office will justify him in so doing, to pay them such sums, in addition to what they shall already have received, as will make their compensation the same as it was at that time.

Date of patents.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That every patent shall be dated as of a day not later than six months after the time at which it was passed and allowed, and notice thereof sent to the applicant or his agent. And if the final fee for such patent be not paid within the said six months, the patent shall be withheld, and the invention therein described shall become public property, as against the applicant therefor: *Provided,* That in all cases where patents have been allowed previous to the passage of this act, the said six months shall be reckoned from the date of such passage.

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March 3, 1863. CHAP. CIII. — *An Act to incorporate the Institution for the Education of Colored Youth in the District of Columbia.*

"The Institution for the Education of Colored Youth" incorporated.

Objects.

Name and power.

Common seal.

Officers.

By-laws.

Proviso.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That Henry Addison, John C. Underwood, George C. Abbott, William H. Channing, Nancy M. Johnson, of the District of Columbia, and Myrtella Miner, of California, and their associates and successors, are hereby constituted and declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name and title of "The Institution for the Education of Colored Youth," to be located in the District of Columbia; the objects of which institution are to educate and improve the moral and intellectual condition of such of the colored youth of the nation as may be placed under its care and influence, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, with power to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded in any court of the United States, to collect subscriptions, make by-laws, rules and regulations, as may be needful for the government of said institution, and the same to alter, amend, and abrogate at pleasure; to have a common seal, the same to break, alter, and renew at will; to appoint such officers as may be required for the management of the institution, and to assign them their duties, and generally to provide for the transaction of all business appertaining to said institution. And the by-laws, rules, and regulations which may be so adopted, shall be as valid as if they were made a part of this act: *Provided,* They shall not

be inconsistent herewith, nor repugnant to the laws of the District of Columbia.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That said corporation may have, hold, and receive, for the purposes of said institution and for no other, real, personal, and mixed estate, by purchase, gift, or devise, not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars; to use, lease, sell, or convey the same for the purposes and benefit of said institution; may appoint such teachers as may be necessary, and fix their compensation.

Real estate and other property.

Teachers.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That said corporation shall not be engaged in any banking or commercial business, nor shall it issue any note, check, or other evidence of debt intended to be used as a circulation; and Congress may have the right to alter or repeal this act at any time hereafter.

Limit of corporate powers.

This act may be altered or repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1863.

CHAP. CIV. — *An Act granting Lands to the States of Michigan and Wisconsin to aid in the Construction of a "Military Road" from Fort Wilkins, Copper Harbor, Keweenaw County, in the State of Michigan, to Fort Howard, Green Bay, in the State of Wisconsin.* March 3, 1863.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That there be, and is hereby, granted to the State of Michigan, to aid in the construction of a military wagon-road from Fort Wilkins, Copper Harbor, to Houghton, Portage Lake, and thence, in a southerly direction, to the state line of Wisconsin, every alternate section of public land, designated by even numbers, for three sections in width, on each side of said road, and also a like quantity, to be taken and designated in same manner, to the State of Wisconsin, to aid in the construction of a like road from the last-mentioned place on the state line of Wisconsin to Fort Howard, Green Bay, in the said State of Wisconsin. But in case it shall appear that the United States have, when the line or route of said road is definitely fixed, sold any section, 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 set apart from the public lands of the United States, as near to said even sections aforesaid as may be, so much land as shall be equal to such lands as the United States have sold, or otherwise appropriated, or to which the right of preëmption or homestead settlement has attached; which lands, (thus selected in lieu of those sold, and to which the right of preëmption or homestead settlement has attached as aforesaid,) together with the sections and parts of sections designated by even numbers as aforesaid, and approved as aforesaid, shall be held by the States of Michigan and Wisconsin for the use and purposes aforesaid: *Provided*, That the lands to be selected for and on account thereof shall in no case be further than fifteen miles from said road: *Provided, further*, That the lands hereby granted shall be exclusively applied in the construction of that road for and on account of which such lands are hereby granted, and shall be disposed of only as the work progresses, and the same shall be applied to no other purposes whatever: *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 purposes whatsoever, be, and the same are hereby, reserved to the United States from the operation of this act, except so far as it may be found necessary to locate the route of said road through such reserved lands; in which case the right of way only shall be granted.

Land granted to Michigan and Wisconsin, to aid in the construction of a military wagon-road.

If any land granted has been sold, &c., an equivalent amount to be given in lieu thereof.

Lands not to be over 15 miles from the road, to be applied solely to the construction of the road.

Reserved lands not within this act, except for location of road.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said lands hereby granted to the said States shall be subject to the disposal of the legislature thereof, for the purposes aforesaid, and no other; and the said road shall be and remain [a] public highway for the use of the Government of the United States,

Lands subject to the disposal of the legislature.

Road to be a public highway,