

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall take effect from and after the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four. When act takes effect.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the act entitled "An act to regulate the foreign and coasting trade on the northern, northeastern, and northwestern frontiers of the United States, and for other purposes," approved second March, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act be, and the same are hereby, repealed. Repeal of act of 1831, ch. 98, and of inconsistent acts.

APPROVED, June 17, 1864.

CHAP. CXXXI. — *An Act to regulate the Veto Power in the Territory of Washington.* June 17, 1864.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That every bill which shall have passed the legislative assembly of Washington Territory shall, before it become a law, be presented to the governor. If he approve he shall sign it, but if not he shall return it, with his objections, to that house in which it shall have originated, who shall enter the objections at large on their journal, and proceed to reconsider it. If, after such reconsideration, two thirds of that house shall agree to pass the bill, it shall be sent, together with the objections, to the other house, by which it shall likewise be reconsidered; and if approved by two thirds of that house it shall become a law. But in all such cases the votes of both houses shall be determined by yeas and nays, and the names of the persons voting for and against the bill shall be entered on the journal of each house respectively. If any bill shall not be returned by the governor within five days (Sundays excepted) after it shall have been presented to him, the same shall be a law, in like manner as if he had signed it, unless the legislative assembly by their adjournment prevent its return, in which case it shall not be a law. Veto power of the governor of Washington Territory.

APPROVED, June 17, 1864.

CHAP. CXXXII. — *An Act to empower the Superannuated Fund Society of the Maryland Annual Conference to hold Property in the District of Columbia and to take a Devise under the Will of the late William Doughty.* June 17, 1864.

WHEREAS a certain William Doughty, of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, by his last will, bearing date on the twenty-ninth day of April, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, duly admitted to probate, devised and bequeathed certain real and personal property and estate — part thereof to take effect at his death, and the residue at the death or marriage of his widow — to a society incorporated by act of the general assembly of Maryland, by the name of "The Superannuated Fund Society of the Maryland Annual Conference," and called in said will The Superannuated Fund Society of the Methodist Protestant Church for the District of Maryland; and whereas it has been questioned whether the said corporation can lawfully take and hold the said property, in virtue of said last will, without the leave and assent of congress: Therefore — The Superannuated Fund Society may hold, &c., certain property in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the assent of congress is hereby given to all and every the aforementioned devises and bequests unto "The Superannuated Fund Society of the Maryland Annual Conference" aforesaid; and the said society and body corporate is hereby fully authorized and empowered to take and hold the said property and estate devised and bequeathed to it as aforesaid, agreeably to the tenor and provisions of the said last will, and to dispose of and enjoy the same to every intent and effect as if the said society had been originally incorporated by act of congress.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said corporation is hereby empowered to hold real and personal property located in the District Property, real and personal, to

yield an income of not over \$20,000.

of Columbia acquired, or that shall be acquired by gift, purchase, devise, or bequest, and the same enjoy, rent, lease, or convey, at pleasure, as freely as any person or body corporate can do: *Provided*, That the net yearly income thereof shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars.

When act takes effect.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the day of its passage.

APPROVED, June 17, 1864.

June 17, 1864. CHAP. CXXXIII. — *An Act to grant the Right of Preëmption to certain Settlers on the Rancho Bolsa de Tomales, in the State of California.*

Lines of public surveys to be extended over the Rancho Bolsa de Tomales, in Marin County, California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it may and shall be lawful for the commissioner of the general land office to cause the lines of the public surveys to be extended over the tract of country known as the Rancho Bolsa de Tomales, in Marin County, California, the claim to which, by James D. Galbraith, has been adjudged invalid by the supreme court of the United States, and to have approved plats thereof duly returned to the proper district land office: *Provided*, That the actual cost of such survey and platting shall first be paid into the surveying fund by settlers, according to the requirements of the tenth section of the act of congress approved thirtieth of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, "to reduce the expenses of the survey and sale of the public lands in the United States."

Actual cost to be paid.
1862, ch. 86, § 10.
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Settlers may enter their lands after the survey.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That after the return of such approved plats to the district office, it may and shall be lawful for individuals, settlers upon the said Rancho Bolsa de Tomales, to enter, according to the lines of the public surveys, at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, the land settled upon by them to the extent to which the same had been reduced to possession at the time of said adjudication of said supreme court, joint entries being admissible by coterminous proprietors, in order that their respective boundaries may be adjusted in accordance with their several possessions.

Joint entries.

Claims to be presented within what time.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all claims within the purview of this act shall be presented to the register and receiver within twelve months after the return of such surveys to the district land office, accompanied by proof of settlement, and the extent to which the tracts claimed had been reduced into possession at the time of said adjudication; and thereupon each case shall be adjudged by the register and receiver, under such instructions as shall be given by the commissioner of the general land office, to whom the proof and adjudication shall be returned by the local land office, and no adjudication shall be final until confirmed by the said commissioner: *Provided*, That the confirmation by said commissioner shall be conclusive and final between coterminous proprietors, and the correctness thereof shall not be open to contestation in any action at law or suit in equity between them or between parties claiming under them by title subsequent: *And provided, further*, That any claim not brought before the register and receiver within twelve months, as aforesaid, shall be barred, and the lands covered thereby, with any other tracts within the limits of said rancho, the titles to which are not established under this act, shall be dealt with as other public lands, but subject to the adjudicated boundaries of the claims which are presented within the limit of the time prescribed as aforesaid: *Provided*, That no person under the provisions of this act shall be allowed to enter a greater quantity of land than three hundred and twenty acres.

Decision of register, &c., to be confirmed.

Confirmation to be final.

Claims not brought in time, to be barred.

Limit of amount to be entered.

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