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CHAP. CXVII.—An Act to grant the Right of Way to the "Humboldt Canal Company" through the Public Lands of the United States.

Right of way through public lands granted to Humboldt Canal Company.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the right of way for a canal through the public lands of the United States lying in Humboldt county, State of Nevada, and the use of the land for tow-paths, cuttings, and embankments, to the extent of fifty feet on each side of the center of the canal, shall be, and is hereby, granted to the Humboldt Canal Company: Provided, That in cases where deep excavation or heavy embankment is required, such greater width, not exceeding two hundred feet, may be taken by said company as may be necessary.

Proviso.

Certain public lands may be flowed to create a reservoir.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That, in order to create a reservoir for said company sufficient to feed said canal in all seasons, said company shall be, and is hereby, authorized, by a dam across the Humboldt river, at such point as at or near the gap in the Fremont range of mountains through which said river passes, to flow so much of the public lands above said dam as may be required for the purpose of said reservoir.

Proviso.

Sites for waste-gates, mill-sites, depots, &c.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That there shall be, and is hereby, granted to said company the necessary sites along said canal for waste-gates, mill-sites, depots, and other uses of said canal, so far as places convenient for the same fall upon the public lands, and also the privilege of discharging the waste waters of said canal over any public lands into the said Humboldt river, at such places as may be suitable for that purpose: Provided, That the proper officers of said company shall transmit to the commissioner of the general land office a correct plat of the survey, location of said canal, and of the sites needed for mills, depots, waste-gates, and other uses of said canal, before the appropriation thereof for said uses shall become operative: And provided further, That unless thirty miles of said canal shall be excavated within one year, [and] the whole within three years, from the date hereof, the grants hereby made shall cease and determine: And provided further, That if said canal shall at any time after its completion be discontinued or abandoned by said company, the grants hereby made shall cease and determine, and the lands hereby granted shall revert to the United States: And provided further, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to interfere with any former grants to any railroad company.

APPROVED, June 12, 1866.

June 14, 1866.

CHAP. CXXII.—An Act to regulate and secure the Safe-Keeping of public Money intrusted to Disbursing Officers of the United States.

Disbursing officers to deposit public money with the treasurer or some assistant treasurer, to draw only as required. Transfers to be by draft. Deposits where to be made, if there is no treasurer or assistant.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act it shall be the duty of every disbursing officer of the United States having any public money intrusted to him for disbursement, to deposit the same with the treasurer or some one of the assistant treasurers of the United States, and to draw for the same only as it may be required for payments to be made by him in pursuance of law; and all transfers from the treasury of the United States to a disbursing officer shall be by draft or warrant on the treasury or an assistant treasurer of the United States: Provided, That in places where there is no treasurer nor assistant treasurer of the United States, the Secretary of the Treasury may, when he deems it essential to the public interest, specially authorize in writing the deposit of such public money in any other public depository, or, in writing, authorize the same to be kept in any other manner, and under such rules and regulations as he may deem most safe and effectual to facilitate the payments to public creditors.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That if any disbursing officer of the