said State patents for all the lands granted and situated opposite to and within the limits of twenty miles of the line of said completed section of road or roads, and extending the length of said section, and no further, and not exceeding ten sections of land per mile for all that part of said road thus completed under the provisions of this act and the act to which this is an amendment, and so, from time to time, until said roads and branches are completed. And when the governor of said State shall so certify, and the Secretary of the Interior shall be satisfied that the whole of any one of said roads and branches is completed in a good, substantial, and workmanlike manner, as a first-class railroad, the said Secretary of the Interior shall issue to the said State patents to all the remaining lands granted for and on account of said completed road and branches in this act, situated within the said limits of twenty miles from the line thereof, throughout the entire length of said road and branches: Provided, That no land shall be granted or conveyed to said States under the provisions of this act on account of the construction of any railroad or part thereof that has been constructed under the provisions of any other act at the date of the passage of this act, and adopted as a part of the line of railroad provided for in this act: And provided, That nothing herein contained shall interfere with any existing rights acquired under any law of Congress heretofore enacted making grants of land to the said States of Missouri and Arkansas to aid in the construction of railroads: And provided further, That should said States or either of them fail to complete the road herein recited within the time prescribed by this act, then the lands undisposed of, as aforesaid, within the States so failing shall revert to the United States.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That so soon as the governor of either of said States shall file or cause to be filed with the Secretary of the Interior maps designating the routes of said roads herein mentioned, then it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to withdraw from market the lands embraced within the provisions of this act.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That nothing contained in this act shall be held as vesting in the State of Arkansas title to the lands herein recited for the trust purpose aforesaid, or authorizing said State to make any disposition of the same, until said State shall be restored in all respects to its former relation to the national government and be represented in the Congress of the United States.

APPROVED, July 4, 1866.

CHAP. CLXVI. — An Act concerning certain Lands granted to the State of Nevada.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the appropriation by the constitution of the State of Nevada to educational purposes of the five hundred thousand acres of land granted to said State by the law of September fourth, eighteen hundred and forty-one, for purposes of internal improvement, is hereby approved and confirmed.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That land equal in amount to seventy-two entire sections, for the establishment and maintenance of a university in said State, is hereby granted to the State of Nevada.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the grant made by law of the second day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, to each State, of land equal to thirty thousand acres for each of its senators and representatives in Congress, is extended to the State of Nevada; and the diversion of the proceeds of these lands in Nevada from the teaching of agriculture and mechanic arts to that of the theory and practice of mining is allowed and authorized without causing a forfeiture of said grant.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall be, and he

is hereby, authorized to appoint a surveyor-general for Nevada, who shall locate his office at such place as the Secretary of the Interior shall from time to time direct, whose compensation shall be three thousand dollars per annum, and whose duties, powers, obligations, responsibilities, and allowances for clerk hire, office rent, fuel and incidental expenses shall be the same as those of the surveyor-general of Oregon, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, and such instructions as he may from time to time deem it advisable to give him.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That in extending the surveys of the public lands in the State of Nevada, the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, vary the lines of the subdivisions from a rectangular form, to suit the circumstances of the country; but in all cases lands valuable for mines of gold, silver, quicksilver, or copper shall be reserved from sale.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That until the State of Nevada shall have received her full quota of lands named in the first, second, and third sections of this act, the public lands in that State shall not be subject to entry, sale, or location under any law of the United States, or any scrip or warrants issued in pursuance of any such law except the homestead act of May twentieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and acts amendatory thereto, and the acts granting and regulating pre-emptions, but shall be reserved exclusively for entry by the said State for the period of two years after such survey shall have been made: Provided, That said State shall select said lands in her own name and right, in tracts of not less than forty acres, and dispose of the same in tracts not exceeding three hundred and twenty acres, only to actual settlers and bona fide occupants: And provided further, That city and town property shall not be subject to selection under this act: And provided further, That this section shall not be construed to interfere with or impair rights heretofore acquired under any law of Congress.

APPROVED, July 4, 1866.

July 4, 1866. CHAP. CLXVII.—An Act granting Lands to the State of Oregon, to aid in the Construction of a Military Road from Corvallis to the Acquinna Bay.

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 Oregon, to aid in the construction of a military wagon road from the town of Corvallis to the Acquinna Bay, three alternate sections per mile from the unoccupied public lands, designated by odd numbers, and not more than six miles from said road: Provided, That the lands hereby granted shall be exclusively applied in the construction of said road, 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 act of Congress, or other competent authority, be, and the same are, reserved from the operation of this act, except so far as it may be necessary to locate the route of said road through the same, in which case the right of way is granted.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said lands hereby granted to said State shall be disposed of by the legislature thereof for the purpose aforesaid, and for no other; and the said road shall be and remain a public highway for the use of the government of the United States, free from tolls or other charges upon the transportation of any property, troops, or mails of the United States.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That said road shall be constructed with such graduation and bridges as to permit of its regular use as a wagon road, and in such other special manner as the State of Oregon may prescribe.