SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act be, and the same are hereby declared inapplicable to the lands herein above relinquished and granted.

APPROVED, July 1, 1870.

CHAP. CXCIX.—An Act in Relation to certain unsold Lands in the Counties of Porter and Lake, in the State of Indiana.

WHEREAS there is lying along the Little Calumet river, in the counties of Porter and Lake, in the State of Indiana, a body of lands supposed to contain about four thousand acres, which has never been sold or surveyed, and which was described in the original government surveys as impassable morass; and whereas the Calumet Draining Company has been organized under the laws of said State, for the purpose of draining the valley of said river including said morass: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That said unsold lands shall be subject to a lien under the laws of the State of Indiana for its proper proportion of the cost of such drainage, and such lien may be enforced against said lands in the same manner and to the same extent as if the said lands were owned by private persons: Provided, That no claim shall be held to exist against the United States for such drainage.
Lands may be surveyed and sold subject to lien.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That said lands may be surveyed and sold to the highest bidder, under the directions of the Secretary of the Interior, subject to said lien.

Approved, July 1, 1870.

July 1, 1870.

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and to protect National Cemeteries."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from the time any State legislature shall have given, or shall hereafter give, the consent of such State to the purchase by the United States of any national cemetery mentioned in the act entitled "An act to establish and protect national cemeteries," approved February twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, the jurisdiction and power of legislation of the United States over such cemetery shall in all courts and places be held to be the same as is granted by section eight, article one, of the Constitution of the United States; and all the provisions of said act of February twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, shall be applicable to the same.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War to cause copies of this present act to be sent to the governors of all such States, wherein any of such national cemeteries may be situated, to the end that the legislatures of such States may give the consent herein mentioned.

Approved, July 1, 1870.

July 7, 1870.

An Act for the Relief of Pre-emption Settlers in the State of Nebraska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That settlers upon the public domain within the limits of the State of Nebraska, who, prior to the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy, had filed their declaratory statements under the pre-emption laws for tracts once offered at public sale and afterwards included in the lateral limits of any withdrawal for railroad grants, where such lands were at date of filing, as aforesaid, subject to disposal, under said pre-emption laws, and who, through erroneous belief that by such withdrawal the lands so settled upon and claimed became subject to the designation of "unoffered" lands, have failed to make the proof and payment required by law within one year from the date of alleged settlement, shall be, and are hereby, allowed and authorized to make such proof and payment within one year from the passage of this act, upon showing a full compliance with all other provisions of the pre-emption laws: Provided, That such settlements were upon the even-numbered sections, and do not include cases declared to be invalid by the commissioner of the general land office.

Approved, July 7, 1870.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an act entitled "An act to establish a police court for the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," approved June seventeen, eighteen hundred and seventy, be, and the same is hereby, amended so that the said police court may be organized and the first term thereof held any day after the judge of said court shall have been commissioned and qualified.

Approved, July 7, 1870.