sent of the Senate of the United States, or during the recess thereof, and
until the end of the next ensuing session, a register and receiver for each
of said land districts, who shall be required to reside at the site of their
respective offices, who shall be subject to the same laws and responsi-
bilities, and whose compensation and fees shall be respectively the same
per annum as are now allowed by law to other land offices in said State.

Approved, July 14, 1870.

July 14, 1870.

CHAP. CCLXVIII. — An Act to establish a Port of Delivery at Kansas City, Missouri.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the city of Kansas, in the
State of Missouri, shall be, and is hereby, constituted a port of delivery,
annexed to and made a part of the collection district of New Orleans, and
shall be subject to the same regulations and restrictions as other ports of
delivery in the United States; and all the privileges and facilities afforded
by the act of Congress of the second March, eighteen hundred and thirty-
one, entitled "An act allowing the duties on foreign merchandise im-
ported into Pittsburg, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville, Saint Louis, Nash-
villa, and Natchez to be secured and paid at those places," shall be ex-
tended to said port. A surveyor of customs shall be appointed to reside
at said port and perform the duties prescribed by law, who shall receive
the same compensation now provided or which may hereafter be provided
by law for surveyors of the same grade.

Approved, July 14, 1870.

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CHAP. CCLXIX. — An Act to create a Port of Delivery at Houston, Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That Houston, in the State
of Texas, shall be, and is hereby, constituted a port of delivery within the
collection district of Galveston, and there shall be appointed a surveyor
of customs, to reside at said port, who shall perform the duties and receive
the compensation and emoluments prescribed in the act of Congress ap-
proved March two, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, being "An act allow-
ing the duties on foreign merchandise imported into Pittsburg, Wheeling,
Cincinnati, Louisville, Saint Louis, Nashville, and Natchez, to be secured
and paid at those places."

Approved, July 14, 1870.

July 14, 1870.

CHAP. CCLXX. — An Act to annul a Portion of a certain Statute of the Territory
of New Mexico, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the following recited por-
tion of a statute of the Territory of New Mexico, approved February
second, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, viz.: "And no writ of execution
shall on any account be executed on the real estate of any person, if there
be no mortgage made by the husband and wife owning the said property,
and the mortgage must have been executed with all the formalities re-
quired by law," be, and the same is hereby, disapproved and declared null
and void: Provided, That there shall be exempt from levy and forced
sale under any process or order from any court of law or equity in said
Territory the lot or parcel of ground and the buildings thereon occupied
as a residence and owned by the debtor, being a householder and having
a family, to the value of one thousand dollars. And if, in the opinion
of the creditors, the premises claimed by such debtor as exempt are
worth more than one thousand dollars, then it shall be lawful for the
officer to advertise and sell the said premises and out of the proceeds of
such sale to pay to such execution debtor the said sum of one thousand dollars, which shall be exempt from execution for one year thereafter, and apply the balance on said execution: And provided further, That no sale shall be made unless a greater sum than one thousand dollars shall be bid for said premises.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of an act entitled “An act amendatory of the organic law of Colorado Territory, and for other purposes,” approved May fourth, eighteen hundred and seventy, be, and the same is so far amended, that writs of error shall be allowed from any decision of a probate court to the supreme court of said Territory, in the same manner they were allowed before the passage of the act to which this is amendatory.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

CHAP. CCLXXII. — An Act to extend the Provisions of the Pre-emption Laws to the Territory of Colorado, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the privileges of the act of May thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, entitled “An act to reduce the expenses of the survey and sale of the public lands in the United States,” be, and the same are hereby, extended to Colorado; and the proviso of the first section of the act approved June second, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, entitled “An act to establish a land office in the Territory of Colorado, and for other purposes,” is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That nothing in the act of Congress approved March twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, entitled “An act for the relief of settlers on lands reserved for railroad purposes,” shall be construed to relieve such settlers from the obligation to file the proper notices of their claims, as in other cases, and all claimants of pre-emption rights shall hereafter, when no shorter period of time is now prescribed by law, make the proper proof and payment for the lands claimed, within eighteen months after the date prescribed for filing their declaratory notices shall have expired: Provided, That where said date shall have elapsed before the passage of this act, said pre-emptors shall have one year after the passage hereof in which to make such proof and payment.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

CHAP. CCLXXIII. — An Act to establish certain Post-Roads.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following be established as post-roads:—

ALABAMA.

From Scottsboro to Lebanon.
From Evergreen to Cokerville.
From Abbeville, via Martinsville and Smithville, to Columbia.
From Huntsville to Center Hill.
From Huntsville, via Meridianville, to Fayetteville.
From New Market to Elora.
From Larkin’s Fork to Hunt’s Station.