Limit to grant.

Sec. 2. That said company shall, within six months after the location of any section of twenty miles or more of their said road, if the same be upon surveyed land, and if upon unsurveyed land, then within six months after the survey thereof by the United States, file a plat of such located section, together with proof thereof, with a register of the land-office for the district wherein said located section may be situated, and upon approval thereof the same shall be noted upon the township plats in said office, and thereafter all lands over which the said line of road shall pass shall be sold, located, or disposed of by the United States, subject to such right of way so located as aforesaid: Provided, That the line of said road shall be located within one year after the passage of this act: And provided further, That said road shall be completed within ten years thereafter: And provided also, That when the route of said road shall pass through lands other than those of the United States, or when it may be necessary for said railroad company to take any lands other than those of the United States for any of the purposes herein mentioned, necessary to said right of way, such right of way through or title to such lands shall be secured in accordance with the laws of the State or territory in which they may be situated: Provided also, That the rights herein granted shall not preclude the construction of other roads through any cañon, defile, or pass on said route.

Sec. 3. That nothing herein shall be construed as affirming or denying the power of a territory to incorporate a railroad company.

SEC. 4. That Congress reserves to itself the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act, whenever in its judgment the interest of the people shall require it.

APPROVED, June 8, 1872.

CHAP. CCCLXV.—An Act authorizing the Secretary of War to expend certain Moneys for the Purpose of sinking an Artesian Well on the Fort D. A. Russell military Reservation, in Wyoming Territory.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to expend the sum of ten thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of sinking an artesian well on the Fort D. A. Russell military reservation, in the Territory of Wyoming.

APPROVED, June 8, 1872.

CHAP. CCCLXVI.—An Act to reimburse the State of Kansas for Moneys expended for the United States in enrolling, equipping, and provisioning Militia Forces to aid in suppressing the Rebellion.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of three hundred and thirty-seven thousand and fifty-four dollars and thirty-eight cents is hereby appropriated, to reimburse the State of Kansas for moneys expended, amounts assumed, and disbursements made by said State in enrolling, equipping, arming, subsisting, transporting, and paying such troops as were called into service by order of the governor of said State, upon the requisition of Major-General Curtis, in eighteen hundred and sixty-four, to repel the invasion of the rebel forces of General Price, and to carry into effect the provisions of an act entitled "An act to reimburse the State of Kansas for moneys expended for the United States in eurol-
ling, equipping, and provisioning militia forces to aid in suppressing the rebellion," approved February second, eighteen hundred and seventy-one; the said sum of three hundred and thirty-seven thousand and fifty-four dollars and thirty-eight cents being the amount reported due to the State of Kansas by James A. Hardie, J. D. Bingham, and T. H. Stanton, commissioners appointed by the Secretary of War to examine and audit the claims of the said State, in pursuance of the said act.

Approved, June 8, 1872.

CHAP. CCCLXVII. — An Act authorizing the Secretary of War to release twenty-five Acres of the Lands of the United States at Plattsburgh, New York, to the New York and Canada Railroad Company, 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 Secretary of War, if in his opinion, it is not needed for military purposes, is hereby authorized and empowered to release, upon the conditions hereinafter in this act provided, to the New York and Canada Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the north twenty-five acres of the lands owned and possessed by the United States, in the town of Plattsburgh, Clinton county, New York, and situated upon the westerly banks of Lake Champlain, together with a right of way from the south thereto; such release to be with such restrictions as the Secretary of War may think necessary to protect the interests of the United States: Provided, That before the execution of such release the said railroad company shall first pay into the treasury of the United States the full value of said twenty-five acres of land, and the right of way to the same to be fixed by a board of three officers of the army, appointed by the Secretary of War, whose report shall be approved by him: Provided further, That the dwelling-house now standing on the said twenty-five acres shall be removed by the said railroad company, to such place as may be designated by the Secretary of War, without expense to the United States: Provided further, That said premises shall be used exclusively for railroad purposes, and that said company, its successors and assigns, shall, within three years from the passage of this act, complete and operate a railroad within the State of New York, connecting the railroads leading from the city of New York with the Canadian frontier.

Approved, June 8, 1872.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section one of an act entitled "An act to establish and to protect national cemeteries," approved February twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, be amended as follows: The Secretary of War shall cause each grave to be marked with a small headstone, with the name of the soldier and the name of the State inscribed thereon, when the same are known, in addition to the number required to be inscribed by said section; and he shall, within ninety days from the passage of this act, advertise for sealed proposals of bids for the making and erection of such headstones, which advertisements shall be made for sixty days successively in at least twenty newspapers of general circulation in the United States, and shall call for bids for the doing of said work, in whole or in part; and upon the opening of such bids, the Secretary of War shall, without delay, award the contracts for said work to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders, in whole or in part; and said bidders shall give bond to his satisfaction for the faithful completion of the work.

Approved, June 8, 1872.