

SEC. 6. That the right to alter or amend this act and to prevent or remove all material obstructions to the navigation of said river by the construction of said bridge, is hereby expressly reserved. This act may be altered, &c.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCXXX. — *An Act donating condemned Cannon and Cannon-balls to the Gettysburgh Battle-field Memorial Association.* March 3, 1873.

*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 is hereby, authorized to deliver to the Gettysburgh Battle-field Memorial Association, if it can be done without detriment to the government, such number of condemned cannon and cannon-balls as his judgment may approve, for the purpose of their work of indication of the battle-field of Gettysburgh. Condemned cannon, &c., to the Gettysburgh Battle-field Memorial Association.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCXXXI. — *An Act for the Extension of Time to the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad Company for the Completion of its Roads.* March 3, 1873.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the time for the completion of the railroad from Saint Anthony to Brainerd, in the State of Minnesota as now limited by law, and of the railroad from Saint Cloud to Saint Vincent, in said State as now located, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, be extended for the period of nine months from the time limited by the acts of Congress relating to the same respectively; and if completed within said nine months the said railroads shall be entitled to all the benefits of the several provisions of the acts of Congress relating thereto, in the same manner as if said roads had been fully completed within the time therein limited. Time for completing the railroad from Saint Anthony to Brainerd in Minnesota, and that from Saint Cloud to Saint Vincent extended.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCXXXII. — *An Act to abolish the tribal Relations of the Miami Indians, and for other Purposes.* March 3, 1873.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That if the Miami tribe of Indians in Kansas shall signify to the President of the United States their desire to sell the lands reserved for the future homes of the said Indians by the first article of the treaty of June fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and which remain unallotted, together with the school-section mentioned in said article, said lands shall be disposed of in the following manner to wit: The said secretary shall appoint three disinterested and competent persons, who shall, after being duly sworn to perform said service faithfully and impartially, personally examine and appraise said lands by legal subdivisions of one hundred and sixty acres or less, separately, and make return thereof to the commissioner of Indian affairs: *Provided,* That the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, set aside any appraisements that may be made under the provisions of this act, and cause a new appraisement to be made; *And provided further,* That in making said appraisement, the land and improvements made by the United States and Indians shall be included, and the improvements made by white settlers shall be excluded in determining an estimate of the value thereof. The unallotted, reserved lands, &c., of the Miami Indians in Kansas, may be sold. Vol. x. p. 1093.

Lands to be appraised, and mode of appraisal.

SEC. 2. That each bona-fide settler occupying any portion of said lands at the date of the passage of this act, and having made valuable improvements thereon, or the heirs at law of such, who is a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such, shall be entitled, at any time within one year from the return of said appraisement, to purchase, for cash, the land so occupied and improved by him, not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres in each case, at the appraised value thereof, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior Certain bona-fide settlers may within a year purchase not exceeding, &c., at appraised value.