

to statutes of this kind, and he shall revise the indexes and incorporate therein references to the additions herein required.

Revision of indexes.

SEC. 3. That there shall also be included in said edition the Articles of Confederation, the Declaration of our National Independence, the Ordinance of seventeen hundred and eighty seven for the government of the Northwestern Territory, the Constitution of the United States, with foot notes referring to decisions of the federal courts thereon, the "Act to provide for the revision and consolidation of the statute laws of the United States," approved June twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and the "Act providing for publication of the Revised Statutes and the laws of the United States," approved June twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, as well as the present act.

Additional matter to be included.

1866, ch. 140,  
14 Stat., 74,  
1874, ch. 333,  
18 Stat., 113.

SEC. 4. That said new edition shall be completed in manuscript by said commissioner by the first day of January anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, and by him presented to the Secretary of State for his examination and approval, who is hereby required to examine and compare the same as amended, with all the amendatory acts, and, within two months after having been submitted to him, and when the same shall be completed, the said Secretary shall duly certify the same under the seal of the Secretary of State, and when printed and promulgated as herein provided the printed volume shall be legal and conclusive evidence of the laws and treaties therein contained, in all the courts of the United States, and of the several States and Territories, and said Secretary shall cause fifteen thousand copies of the same to be printed and bound at the Government Printing Office, under the supervision of said commissioner, at the expense of the United States, and without unnecessary delay.

When to be completed in manuscript.

To be presented to Secretary of State for approval.

Certificate of examination.

Declared legal evidence.

Number to be printed.

SEC. 5. That said commissioner shall receive, as full compensation for all services above required to be performed by him, the sum of five thousand dollars.

Compensation for commissioner.

Approved, March 2, 1877.

CHAP. 83.—An act for the relief of the board of trustees of the Antietam National Cemetery

March 2, 1877.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That for the purpose of discharging the balance of the indebtedness incurred by the board of trustees of the Antietam National Cemetery in establishing the same and improving the grounds thereof and the proper burial therein of the soldiers who fell on the battle-field of Antietam, there be appropriated the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, in the liquidation of such indebtedness; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War to hereafter provide for the preservation and superintendence of the said cemetery as one of the national cemeteries of the United States under the laws now in force in regard to such national cemeteries: *Provided,* That the said sum of fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to discharge the present existing indebtedness shall not be paid until the legal title to the said property shall be vested in the United States.

Appropriation.  
Payment of debt of Antietam National Cemetery.

Cemetery to be one of the United States national cemeteries.  
Proviso.

Approved, March 2, 1877.

CHAP. 84.—An act to authorize the board of trustees of the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming Territory, to enter and purchase for the use of said city certain public lands.

March 2, 1877.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the board of trustees of the city of Cheyenne, in the Territory of Wyoming, are hereby authorized and empowered to enter and purchase, for the use of said city in

Cheyenne, W. T., may enter and purchase certain land.

maintaining a reservoir of water, and for other purposes, the north half and the southeast quarter of section numbered thirty, in township numbered fourteen north, of range numbered sixty-six west of the sixth principal meridian, of lands in the district of Wyoming Territory; said lands being now withdrawn from entry or sale and reserved for the use of said city.

Patent to issue. SEC. 2. That upon the entry of said lands by said board of trustees of the city of Cheyenne, and the payment therefor to the United States of the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per acre, patent shall issue to the said board of trustees of the city of Cheyenne, conveying to said board of trustees, for the use and benefit of the said city of Cheyenne, in the Territory of Wyoming, the title of the United States in and to the said lands.

Approved, March 2, 1877.

March 2, 1877. CHAP. 85.—An act granting to the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin a certain piece of land.

Preamble.

Whereas, there is situated in the Wisconsin River, within the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, a small island containing less than one square acre of land, which has for many years been used for the storage of powder and other combustible or inflammable goods, and the people of said city are desirous that the said island be granted to the city for that purpose: Therefore,

Stevens Point, Wis., to have patent for certain lands. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Commissioner of the General Land-Office of the United States be, and he is hereby, instructed to cause to be patented to the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, the following described piece of land, to wit, the island in the Wisconsin River, within the corporate limits of the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, in section thirty-one, township numbered twenty-four north, in range eight east, of the fourth principal meridian in said State.

Approved, March 2, 1877.

March 3, 1877. CHAP. 99.—An act to provide a building for the use of the United States district and circuit courts, the post office, and internal revenue officers at Austin, Texas.

Public building at Austin, Tex., to be built.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to cause to be constructed a suitable building with fire proof vaults at Austin in the State of Texas, for the accommodation of the circuit and district courts of the United States, the post office, and the internal revenue officers at a cost not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars including cost of site: *Provided* That no money shall be used or applied for the purpose mentioned until a valid title to the land for the site of such building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Texas shall also duly release and relinquish to the United States the right to tax or in any way assess said site and cede jurisdiction thereon or the property of the United States that may be thereon, during the time that the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof.

Limit of cost. Proviso.

Approved, March 3, 1877.

March 3, 1877. CHAP. 100.—An act to repeal the statute forbidding appointments and promotions in the staff of the Army.

*Inte.*, p. 95.

R. S., 1194, p. 212, repealed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section eleven hundred and ninety-four of the Revised Statutes, now applying only to grades in the Pay Department of the Army above the rank of major, is hereby repealed.

Approved, March 3, 1877.