

SEC. 5. That this act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge or bridges herein authorized be not commenced within two years and completed within five years from the date thereof.

Commencement and completion.

SEC. 6. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, December 10, 1888.

**CHAP. 3.**—An act granting the use of certain lands in Pierce County, Washington Territory, to the city of Tacoma, for the purposes of a public park.

December 17, 1888.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there is hereby granted to the city of Tacoma, in the County of Pierce, in the Territory of Washington, a license to occupy, improve, and control, for the purposes of a public park for the use and benefit of the citizens of the United States, and for no other purposes whatever, the following described pieces or parcels of land, situate in the County of Pierce and Territory of Washington, and described as follows, namely: Lots one, two, three, four, five, and six, and the east half of the southeast quarter, and the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter, and the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section fifteen, township twenty-one north, of range two east, and lots one, two, and three, and the south half of the southwest quarter of section fourteen, same township and range, and lots one, two, and three in section ten of the same township and range, containing six hundred and thirty-five acres, more or less: *Provided,* That the United States reserves to itself the fee of all said lands, and that this license is granted upon the express condition that the United States may take possession of and occupy said lands or any part thereof for military or other purposes whenever its proper officials see fit to order the same, and without any claim for compensation or damage on the part of said City of Tacoma.

Tacoma, Washington Territory. Public land in Pierce County donated for public park.

Location.

*Proviso.*  
United States to retain fee.

Approved, December 17, 1888.

**CHAP. 4.**—An act making an appropriation to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for the contingent expenses of the House of Representatives.

December 17, 1888.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there be and hereby is appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twelve thousand dollars to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for miscellaneous items and expenses of special and select committees of the House of Representatives for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine.

House of Representatives. Deficiency appropriation for contingent expenses.

Approved, December 17, 1888.

**CHAP. 6.**—An act to establish a land office at Folsom, in the Territory of New Mexico.

December 18, 1888.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all that portion of the Territory of New Mexico bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the northeastern corner of said Territory and running thence west on the northern boundary line of said Territory to the line dividing ranges numbered twenty-four and twenty-five, thence south on said range line to the principal base-line running east and west through said Territory, thence east on said base-line to

Public lands. Colfax land district. New Mex. established. Boundaries.

Folsom to be land office.

Register and receiver to be appointed.

the eastern boundary line of said Territory, thence north on said eastern boundary line to the place of beginning, be, and is hereby, constituted a new and separate land district, to be called the Colfax land district, the land office for which shall be located in the town of Folsom, County of Colfax, in the said Territory of New Mexico.

SEC. 2. That the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a register and a receiver of public moneys for said district; and said officers shall reside in the place where said land office is located, and shall have the same powers and shall discharge similar duties and receive the same fees and emoluments as officers discharging like duties in the other land offices of the Territory of New Mexico.

Approved, December 18, 1888.

December 22, 1888.

**CHAP. 7.**—An act making appropriations to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for public printing and binding for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and for other purposes.

Deficiency appropriation for printing, etc.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the following objects namely:

#### PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING.

Printing and binding.

To supply a deficiency for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, in the appropriation for the public printing, for the public binding, and for paper for the public printing, including the cost of printing the debates and proceedings of Congress in the Congressional Record, and for lithographing, mapping, and engraving for both houses of Congress, the Supreme Court of the United States, the supreme court of the District of Columbia, the Court of Claims, the Library of Congress, the Executive Office, and the Departments, including salaries or compensation of all necessary clerks and employees, for labor (by the day, piece, or contract), and for all the necessary materials which may be needed in the prosecution of the work, sixty-three thousand dollars; to be expended for the foregoing purposes ratably and in the proportion provided in the act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the current fiscal year.

Ante, p. 547.

#### NAVAL ESTABLISHMENT.

Observing eclipse of the sun.

Post, p. 920.

For expenses of observing the total eclipse of the sun which will occur on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, five thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Approved, December 22, 1888.

December 24, 1888.

**CHAP. 8.**—An act authorizing the president to appoint and retire Andrew J. Smith, late colonel of the Seventh United States Cavalry and a major-general of volunteers.

Andrew J. Smith, May be appointed colonel on the retired list.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* that the laws regulating appointments in the army be, and they are hereby, suspended, and suspended only for the purposes of this act; and the President is hereby authorized to nominate and, by and with the advice and