SEC. 12. That Congress may at any time amend, add to, alter, or repeal this act.

SEC. 13. That the right of way herein and hereby granted shall not be assigned or transferred in any form whatever prior to the construction and completion of the road except as to mortgages or other liens that may be given or secured thereon to aid in the construction thereof.

Approved, February 24, 1891.

CHAP. 289.—An act for the relief of settlers upon certain lands in the State of Iowa.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all actual settlers upon the lands heretofore relinquished by the State of Iowa to the United States because theretofore erroneously conveyed to said State on account of the grant for the Sioux City and Saint Paul Railroad, and restored to the public domain and opened to settlement and entry under the decision and order of the Secretary of the Interior, dated July twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, shall, if found entitled to enter the same, be allowed, when making final proof, for the time they have already actually resided upon and cultivated the same.

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CHAP. 290.—An act for the erection of a public building at Richmond, Kentucky.

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 is hereby, authorized and directed to purchase or otherwise provide a suitable site, and cause to be erected thereon, at the city of Richmond, Kentucky, a suitable and commodious public building, with fire-proof vaults, for the use and accommodation of the collector of internal revenue, for the post-office, and for other Government uses. The site and the building thereon, when completed according to plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall not exceed the cost of seventy-five thousand dollars; nor shall any site be purchased until estimates for the erection of a building which will furnish sufficient accommodations for the transaction of the public business, and which shall not exceed in cost the balance of the sum herein limited after the site shall have been purchased and paid for, shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury; and no purchase of site nor plan for said building shall be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury involving an expenditure exceeding the said sum of seventy-five thousand dollars for site and building; and the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet, including streets and alleys: Provided, That no part of said sum shall be expended until a valid title to the said site shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Kentucky shall cede to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of civil process therein.

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