

CHAP. 227.—An Act To amend section forty-eight hundred and ninety-six of the Revised Statutes.

February 28, 1899.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section forty-eight hundred and ninety-six of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the words "in his lifetime" the following words: "and when any person having made any new invention or discovery for which a patent might have been granted becomes insane before a patent is granted, the right of applying for and obtaining the patent shall devolve upon his legally appointed guardian, conservator, or representative in trust for his estate, in as full manner and on the same terms and conditions as the same might have been claimed or enjoyed by him while sane;" and by inserting at the end of said section the following words: "The foregoing section, as to insane persons, is to cover all applications now on file in the Patent Office or which may be hereafter made," so that the said section as amended will read as follows:

"**SEC. 4896.** When any person, having made any new invention or discovery for which a patent might have been granted, dies before a patent is granted, the right of applying for and obtaining the patent shall devolve on his executor or administrator, in trust for the heirs at law of the deceased, in case he shall have died intestate; or if he shall have left a will, disposing of the same, then in trust for his devisees in as full manner and on the same terms and conditions as the same might have been claimed or enjoyed by him in his lifetime; and when any person having made any new invention or discovery for which a patent might have been granted becomes insane before a patent is granted, the right of applying for and obtaining the patent shall devolve on his legally appointed guardian, conservator, or representative in trust for his estate, in as full manner and on the same terms and conditions as the same might have been claimed or enjoyed by him while sane; and when the application is made by such legal representatives, the oath or affirmation required to be made shall be so varied in form that it can be made by them.

"The foregoing section, as to insane persons, is to cover all applications now on file in the Patent Office or which may be hereafter made."

Approved, February 28, 1899.

Patents.

Insanity of inventor before issue of patent. R. S., sec. 4896, p. 947 amended. —guardian, etc., may apply for.

Existing applications included.

CHAP. 228.—An Act Granting to the city of Boulder, in the State of Colorado, certain lands for park purposes and for the preservation of the native trees on said lands, and for other purposes.

February 28, 1899.

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 Boulder, a municipal corporation, in the county of Boulder, in the State of Colorado, for park purposes and for the use and benefit of said city, subject to all valid entries made prior to the passage hereof, the following-described lands, to wit:

The southwest quarter of section twenty-six and the west half of the southeast quarter of section twenty-six, and the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty-six; also the west half of section thirty-five and the north half of the northeast quarter and the south half of the southeast quarter of section thirty-five, in township one north, range seventy-one west of the sixth principal meridian; also the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section two, and the south half of the north half of section two, and the south half of section two; also the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter and the west half of the southwest quarter of section one; also the north half of the north half of section eleven; also the west half of the northwest quarter of section twelve; also the southwest quarter of section twelve, in township one south, of range seventy-one west of the sixth principal merid-

Boulder, Colo. Granted certain lands for park purposes.

Lands described.

ian, containing one thousand eight hundred acres, more or less; subject, however, to any lawful rights or claims to any part or parts of said lands which may have accrued prior to the passage of this Act.

No alienation.
Boundaries to be marked.
Protection of trees.

SEC. 2. That said city shall never alienate any part of said lands, and shall, within twelve months after the passage of this Act, distinctly mark the boundaries of said lands, and shall, as far as practicable, protect and preserve all the native trees now growing on said lands, and protect other trees thereon.

Patent on compliance with above conditions.

SEC. 3. That upon proper proofs in the United States land office at Denver, Colorado, that said boundaries have been distinctly marked by said city, as hereinbefore stated, and that said city by its corporate authorities accepts the aforementioned grant on the conditions aforementioned, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to issue to said city of Boulder a patent of said lands, in which patent shall be recited the above-stated purposes, conditions, and limitations.

Forfeiture for non-use.

SEC. 4. That said lands shall be forfeited to the United States if within three years from the passage hereof the said city has not begun to use them for the purposes granted, or if at any time the city shall for a period of three years cease to use the same for such purposes.

Grant for cemeteries.

SEC. 5. That the following described tract of land, situate in the county of Rolette, State of North Dakota, namely, the south half of northwest quarter of section thirty, township one hundred and sixty-two north, range seventy-two west, be, and the same is hereby, granted and conveyed to the Lake Schutte Cemetery Corporation, of Dunseith, North Dakota, to have and to hold said lands to its use and behoof forever for cemetery purposes.

Proviso.
No claimant.

SEC. 6. That the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section thirty, township seventeen north, range three east, Black Hills meridian, is hereby granted to the Nashville Presbyterian Church, of Nashville, South Dakota, for cemetery purposes; and the trustees of said church and their successors in office are hereby authorized and empowered to sell or convey lots to any person at such price as they shall fix for the same for burial purposes: *Provided*, That there was no prior legal claimant upon said land at the time it was first used for cemetery purposes.

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March 1, 1899.

CHAP. 313.—An Act To provide for the erection of a public building at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Indianapolis, Ind.
Public building authorized.

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 acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post-office, court-house, custom-house, internal-revenue office, pension office, and other Government offices in the city of Indianapolis and State of Indiana, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, not to exceed the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars.

Limit of cost.

Proposals for site, etc.

Proposals for the sale of land suitable for said site shall be invited by public advertisement in one or more of the newspapers of said city of largest circulation for at least twenty days prior to the date specified in said advertisement for the opening of said proposals.

Proposals made in response to said advertisement shall be addressed and mailed to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall then cause the said proposed sites, and such others as he may think proper to designate, to be examined in person by an agent of the Treasury Department,