CHAP. 2290.—An Act To authorize the Court of Claims to hear, determine, and adjudicate the claims of the Sac and Fox Indians of the Mississippi in Iowa, against the Sac and Fox Indians of the Mississippi in Oklahoma, and the United States, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That full legal and equitable jurisdiction, without regard to lapse of time, is hereby conferred upon the Court of Claims to hear, determine, and adjudicate, as justice and equity shall require, with right of appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States by any party in interest, all claims of the Sac and Fox Indians of the Mississippi in Iowa, against the Sac and Fox Indians of the Mississippi in Oklahoma, and the United States for money claimed to be due to them as their proportionate shares, according to their numbers, and not heretofore paid to or expended for them, of the appropriations made by Congress for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the confederated tribes of the Sac and Fox Indians of the Mississippi, or arising from the disposal or sale of lands of said confederated tribes, or otherwise, including the claims set out in the Senate Document Numbered Sixty-four, Fifty-seventh Congress, first session, for which suit may be instituted in the Court of Claims within ninety days after the passage of this Act by petition signed by the principal chief of said Sac and Fox Indians in Iowa, or by the attorney employed by the proper authorities of said Indians; the compensation to be paid to their said attorney by the Sac and Fox Indians of the Mississippi in Iowa, for his services and expenses rendered and to be rendered in the prosecution of said claims, shall be fixed by the Court of Claims on the termination of said suit. The Attorney-General shall appear and defend in said suit, so far as the United States may be concerned. The Sac and Fox Indians in Oklahoma may appear, by counsel employed by their proper authorities, to defend on their behalf. Said suit, on motion of either of the parties thereto, shall be advanced on the dockets of either of said courts and be determined at the earliest date practicable. The reports made to Congress on any of said claims by any Department of the Government and printed as Congressional Documents shall be received as evidence in said suit, so far as the facts therein may be concerned, and shall be given such weight as the court may determine for them.

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CHAP. 2291.—An Act Providing that the State of Wyoming be permitted to relinquish to the United States certain lands heretofore selected and to select other lands from the public domain in lieu thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon the delivery to the Secretary of the Interior by the State of Wyoming of its properly executed and duly recorded deed or deeds reconveying to the United States of America, in fee simple, certain lands heretofore selected by and certified to said State under the provisions of an Act entitled “An Act to provide for the admission of the State of Wyoming into the Union, and for other purposes,” approved July tenth, eighteen hundred and ninety, to wit: All of sections ten, twenty-two, twenty-four, and twenty-six, township twenty north, range eighty-four west; all of sections thirty and thirty-two, township twenty north, range eighty-three west, and all of sections six, eight, eighteen, twenty, twenty-eight, thirty and thirty-two, township nineteen north, range eighty-three west; University lands, approved list numbered one, February eighteen, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, Cheyenne district; south half of southeast quarter section thirty, township fifty-two north, range one hundred and two west; east half of southwest quarter; southeast quarter of

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northwest quarter; south half of northeast quarter; northeast quarter of northeast quarter, section eight, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; northwest quarter of southwest quarter; southeast quarter of southwest quarter; south half of northwest quarter; lot three of section two, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; north half of south half of section twelve, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; south half of southeast quarter of section twenty-five, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; northwest quarter of southwest quarter, section twenty-four, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and four west; east half of northwest quarter, section eleven, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; northeast quarter; southeast quarter section two, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; north half section twelve, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; northeast quarter section eleven, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; southeast quarter section thirty-five, township fifty-two north, range one hundred and three west; southwest quarter section thirty, township fifty-two north, range one hundred and two west; east half section thirteen, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and four west; all of sections thirty-one and thirty-two, township fifty-two north, range one hundred and two west; Agricultural College lands, approved list numbered nine, March ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, Lander district; south half of section twenty-nine, township fifty-two north, range one hundred and two west; southwest quarter; west half of southeast quarter section twenty-four, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and four west; west half of northeast quarter; northwest quarter section twenty-five, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and four west; southeast quarter section twenty-six, township fifty-one north, range one hundred and three west; miscellaneous State library lands, approved list numbered fourteen, June third, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, Lander district.

The said State shall be authorized and permitted to select an equal number of acres from the unappropriated public lands of the United States in said State in the same manner, for the same purposes, and subject to the same conditions and limitations under which the lands so reconveyed were selected and held.

SEC. 2. That the lands so reconveyed shall be restored to and become a part of the public domain and be subject to disposal by the Government in the same manner in which other public lands of a like character are disposed of.

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CHAP. 2292.—An Act Providing for the granting and patenting to the State of Colorado, desert lands formerly in the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in Colorado.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of section four of “An Act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and for other purposes,” approved August