

CHAP. 187.—An Act To make Monterey and Port Harford, in the State of California, subports of entry, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Monterey and Port Harford, in the State of California, are hereby made subports of entry in the district of San Francisco, and the necessary customs officers may, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, be stationed at each of said subports with authority to enter and clear vessels, receive duties, fees, and other moneys, and perform such other services as, in his judgment, the interest of commerce may require, and said officers shall receive such compensation as he may allow.

SEC. 2. That in lieu of stationing deputy collectors or other customs officers permanently at either of said subports in said district, the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, authorize the necessary officers to be detailed from time to time, from the port of entry, or from another subport within such district to enter or clear vessels, receive duties, fees, or other moneys, and perform such other services as, in his judgment, the interests of commerce may require.

SEC. 3. That the Act approved February twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and six, entitled "An Act to allow the entry and clearance of vessels at San Luis Obispo, Port Harford, and Monterey, California," is hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. That the privileges of the first section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to amend the statutes in relation to immediate transportation of dutiable goods, and for other purposes," be, and the same are hereby, extended to the port of Port Arthur, in the State of Texas.

SEC. 5. That Petoskey, in the State of Michigan, is hereby made a subport of entry in the district of Grand Rapids, and the necessary customs officers may, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, be stationed at said subport with authority to enter and clear vessels, receive merchandise shipped in bond, collect duties and make delivery of same, receive duties, fees, and other moneys, and perform such other service as, in his judgment, the interest of commerce may require, and said officers shall receive such compensation as he may allow.

SEC. 6. That the privileges of the seventh section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to amend the statutes in relation to immediate transportation of dutiable goods, and for other purposes," be, and the same are hereby, extended to the subport of Petoskey, in the State of Michigan.

SEC. 7. That the privileges of the first section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to amend the statutes in relation to immediate transportation of dutiable goods, and for other purposes," be, and the same are hereby, extended to the subport of Saint Vincent, in the State of Minnesota.

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CHAP. 188.—An Act To amend section forty-eight hundred and ninety-six of the Revised Statutes.

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 be, and the same is hereby, amended so that the section shall 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

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Customs.
San Francisco collection district.
Monterey and Port Harford made subports of entry.
R. S., sec. 2582, p. 511, amended.

Temporary detail of customs officers.

Petroleum vessels.
Vol. 34, p. 23 repealed.

Port Arthur, Tex.
Immediate transportation privileges extended to.
Vol. 21, p. 173.

Grand Rapids collection district, Michigan.
Petoskey made subport of entry.
R. S., sec. 2589, p. 513, amended.

Immediate transportation privileges extended to.
Vol. 21, p. 174.

Saint Vincent, Minn.
Immediate transportation privileges extended to.
Vol. 21, p. 173.

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[H. R. 15841.]

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Patents.
R. S., sec. 4896, p. 947, amended.

Rights of executor on death of inventor.

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 executor or administrator duly authorized under the law of any foreign country to administer upon the estate of the deceased inventor shall, in case the said inventor was not domiciled in the United States at the time of his death, have the right to apply for and obtain the patent. The authority of such foreign executor or administrator shall be proved by certificate of a diplomatic or consular officer of the United States.

Rights of legal representative if inventor becomes insane.

Oath.

Foreign executors of deceased inventors not domiciled in United States.

Rights of. Diplomatic, etc., certificate required.

Pending, etc., applications.

“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.”

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Patents.
R. S., sec. 4885, p. 946, amended.

Date of patent.
Time for final fee payment extended.

CHAP. 189.—An Act To amend section forty-eight hundred and eighty-five of the Revised Statutes.

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 eighty-five of the Revised Statutes be, and the same hereby is, amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 4885. Every patent shall issue within a period of three months from the date of the payment of the final fee, which fee shall be paid not later than six months from the time at which the application was passed and allowed and notice thereof was sent to the applicant or his agent; and if the final fee is not paid within that period the patent shall be withheld.”

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District of Columbia.
Extension of tramway tracks to Union Station, etc.
Anacostia and Potomac River Railroad Company.
Description of double-track extension of.

CHAP. 190.—An Act Authorizing certain extensions to be made of the lines of the Anacostia and Potomac River Railroad Company, the Washington Railway and Electric Company, the City and Suburban Railway of Washington, and the Capital Traction Company, in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Anacostia and Potomac River Railroad Company be, and it is hereby, authorized and directed to construct a double-track connection with its tracks on E street south, thence northwardly along First street east to East Capitol street, there to connect with the tracks of the Washington Railway and Electric Company; also a double-track extension from Delaware avenue and C street northeastwardly along Delaware avenue to the plaza in front of the Union Station, together with a double-track loop located as near as may be to the exterior circumference of said plaza and passing in front of and near to the Union Station; also a double-track connection with existing tracks on G street near New