

February 27, 1913.
[H. R. 11478.]
[Public, No. 391.]

CHAP. 83.—An Act To quiet title and possession with respect to a certain unconfirmed and located private land claim in Baldwin County, Alabama, in so far as the records of the General Land Office show said claim to be free from conflict.

Baldwin County,
Ala.
Relinquishment of
title to Francis Girard
land grant in.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the lands situate in section forty-four, township one north, range two east, and section forty-nine, township one north, range one east, containing six hundred and thirty-nine and ninety-seven one-hundredths acres, in Baldwin County, Alabama, known as the Francis Girard grant, shall be, and the same are, in so far as the records of the General Land Office show the said land to be free from conflict, hereby directed to be granted, released, and relinquished by the United States, in fee simple, to the respective persons, estates, firms, or corporations, who would be the true and lawful owners of the same under the laws of Alabama, including the laws of prescription had the private-land claim of the said Francis Girard been confirmed by the third section of the Act of March third, eighteen hundred and nineteen (Third Statutes, page five hundred and twenty-eight), and to their heirs and assigns forever, as freely and completely, in every respect whatever, as could be done by patents issued therefor according to law.

Valid rights not im-
paired, etc.

SEC. 2. That nothing in this Act shall in any manner abridge, divest, impair, injure, or prejudice any valid right, title, or interest of any person or persons in or to any portion or part of the lands mentioned in the said first section, the true intent of this bill being to relinquish and abandon, grant, give, and concede any and all right, interest, and estate, in law or equity, which the United States is or is supposed to be entitled to in said lands, in favor of all persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the true and lawful owners of the same under the laws of the State of Alabama, including the laws of prescription, in the absence of the said interest and estate of the United States.

Issue of patents.

SEC. 3. That the Department of the Interior shall cause patents to issue for such lands, and such patents shall issue in the name of the original claimant, and when issued shall be held for the use and benefit of the true and lawful owner or owners, as provided in sections one and two of this Act.

Approved, February 27, 1913.

February 27, 1913.
[H. R. 22393.]
[Public, No. 392.]

CHAP. 84.—An Act For the protection of the water supply of the city of Colorado Springs and the town of Manitou, Colorado.

Pike National For-
est, Colo.
Lands in, reserved
to Colorado Springs
for water supply.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the public lands within the Pike National Forest, situated in the counties of El Paso and Teller, Colorado, hereinafter described, are hereby reserved from all forms of location or entry and set aside as a municipal water-supply reserve for the benefit of the city of Colorado Springs, a municipal corporation of the State of Colorado, to wit:

Description.

Lot three, the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter and the south half of the southeast quarter of section seven; the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section eight; the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter, the south half of the southwest quarter, the west half of the southeast quarter, and the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section seventeen; lots two, three, and four, the northeast quarter, the east half of the northwest quarter, the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter, and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section eighteen; lots two, three, and four, the northeast quarter, the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, the