

for shall have been duly chosen by the corporators, said board shall succeed to and exercise all the powers of the corporation of whatever name and nature and all the powers of the said trustees as contained in the said Act, subject to all the provisions and limitations in said Act contained.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. That this Act may be amended or repealed by Congress at any time at its pleasure.

Approved, May 28, 1894.

May 29, 1894.

CHAP. 85.—An Act To amend section thirty-eight hundred and sixteen of the Revised Statutes relating to advances made to the Public Printer.

Public Printer.
R. S. sec. 3816, p. 748,
amended.

Amount of advances
increased.

Post, p. 604.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section thirty-eight hundred and sixteen of the Revised Statutes be amended so as to read that "There shall be advanced to the Public Printer, from time to time, as the public service may require it, and under such rules as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, a sum of money not exceeding at any time four-fifths of the penalty of his bond, to enable him to pay for work and material.

Approved, May 29, 1894.

May 30, 1894.

CHAP. 86.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of the remainder of the reservation of the Confederated Otoe and Missouri Indians in the States of Nebraska and Kansas, and for other purposes," approved March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

Confederated Otoe
and Missouri Indian
lands.

Vol. 21, p. 380.
Allotment to In-
dians.

Proviso.
To remain inalien-
able ten years.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if any member of the said confederated tribes residing at the date of the aforesaid Act of March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, and whose names appear upon the schedule of appraisement made by the commissioners appointed under the provisions of the Act aforesaid, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior April seventeenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, upon any of the lands authorized to be sold by said Act shall make application for allotments of land the Secretary of the Interior shall cause a patent to issue to such person or his or her heirs who may be residing upon said lands at the date hereof, for the subdivisive tract or tracts of land (not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres of land to any one person) reported on the commissioners' schedule aforesaid as having been improved by such person: *Provided,* That the lands acquired by any Indian under the provisions of this act shall not be subject to alienation, lease, or incumbrance, either by voluntary conveyance by the grantee or his heirs, or by the judgment, order, or decree of any court, or subject to taxation of any character, but shall remain inalienable and not subject to taxation, lieu, or incumbrance for the period of ten years, which restriction shall be incorporated in the patent.

Approved, May 30, 1894.

May 30, 1894.

CHAP. 87.—An Act Supplementary to the Act of Congress approved January twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An Act defining the manner in which certain land scrip may be assigned and located or applied by actual settlers, and providing for the issue of patents in the name of the locator or his legal representatives."

Public lands.
Patents for valid
scrip locations.
Vol. 20, p. 275.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioner of the General Land Office to cause patents to be issued, as evidence of title, for all valid locations made with land scrip issued

pursuant to decrees of the Supreme Court of the United States, which valid locations were made prior to the approval of the aforesaid Act in the same manner that patents are now issued under the provisions of section three of said Act of January twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

Approved, May 30, 1894.

CHAP. 91.—An Act Supplementary to an Act approved April sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, for the execution of the award rendered at Paris, August fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, by the Tribunal of Arbitration constituted under the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded at Washington, February twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, in relation to the preservation of the fur seal.

Ju 35, 1894.

Whereas by the seventh article of the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded at Washington, February twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, in relation to the preservation of the fur seal, the high contracting parties agree to co-operate in securing the adhesion of other powers to such regulations as the arbitrators under said treaty might determine upon for that purpose; and

Preamble.
Vol. 27, p. 950.

Whereas by an Act of Congress approved April sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, provision has been made by the United States for the execution of the regulations so determined upon and for the punishment of any infractions of said regulations: Therefore,

Ante, p. 52.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the procedure and penalties provided by said Act, in case of the violation of the provisions of said regulations, are hereby made applicable to and shall be enforced against any citizen of the United States, or person owing the duty of obedience to the laws or the treaties of the United States, or person belonging to or on board of a vessel of the United States who shall kill, capture, or pursue, at any time or in any manner whatever, as well as to and against any vessel of the United States used or employed in killing, capturing, or pursuing, at any time or in any manner whatever, any fur seal or other marine fur-bearing animal, in violation of the provisions of any treaty or convention into which the United States may have entered or may hereafter enter with any other power for the purpose of protecting fur seals or other marine fur-bearing animals, or in violation of any regulations which the President may make for the due execution of such treaty or convention.

Fur-seal regulations.
Applicable to all treaty provisions for protecting seals, etc.

Approved, June 5, 1894.

CHAP. 92.—An Act To facilitate the entry of steamships.

June 5, 1894.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the master of any steamship, trading between foreign ports and ports in the United States, and running in a regularly established steamship line, which line shall have been in existence and running steamers in the foreign trade for not less than one year previous to the application of the privilege extended by this Act, arriving in a port of entry may make preliminary entry of the vessel by making oath or affirmation to the truth of the statements contained in his manifest and delivering said manifest to the customs officer, who shall board said vessel, whereupon the unloading of such vessel may proceed upon arrival at the wharf, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe, but nothing in this Act shall relieve the master of any vessel from subsequent compliance with the provisions of existing laws regarding the report and entry of vessels at the custom house. Customs officers acting as boarding officers, and any customs officer who may be designated for that purpose by the collector of the port, are hereby authorized to administer the oath or affirmation herein provided for.

Shipping.
Preliminary entry of steamships to boarding officer.
Unloading at wharf.
Formal entry.
Administering oath.