

Mare Island, California, and League Island, Pennsylvania, is so far modified that the total additional increased cost for the two dry docks aforesaid shall not in the aggregate exceed seven hundred thousand dollars.

Approved, January 25, 1900.

January 27, 1900.

CHAP. 3.—An Act Extending the time for the completion of a wagon and motor bridge across the Missouri River at Saint Charles, Missouri, as provided by an Act approved June third, eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

Time extended for
bridging Missouri
River at St. Charles.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time for completing the construction of a wagon and motor bridge across the Missouri River at Saint Charles, Missouri, as fixed by an Act approved June third, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, be extended to June third, nineteen hundred and two.

Approved, January 27, 1900.

January 30, 1900.

CHAP. 4.—An Act Relative to the widening and extension of Sixteenth street in the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.
Extension, etc., of
Sixteenth street.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed, within thirty days after the dedication to said District of seventy-five per centum of the lands lying within the lines of Sixteenth street northwest, as extended according to the highway plans, between the Piney Branch and the Blagden Mill road, and also between the Military road and the District of Columbia boundary line, to institute proceedings to condemn the land necessary for the extension of Sixteenth street from Morris street to the District of Columbia boundary line with a uniform width of one hundred and sixty feet, under the terms and provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to extend S street in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes:" *Provided,* That of the amount found due and awarded as damages for and in respect of the land condemned for the extension of Sixteenth street, as in this section provided, not less than one-half thereof shall be assessed by said jury in said proceedings against those pieces or parcels of ground situated and lying on each side of said Sixteenth street northwest between Morris street and the Blagden subdivision, and between the Blagden Mill road and the Rock Creek or Milkhouse Ford road, and between lots seven, four, and eleven of A. R. Shepherd's subdivision, to the depth of two hundred and fifty feet, or to such greater depths as the benefits may be found by said jury to extend, measured on each side thereof from the building lines of said Sixteenth street as extended.

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Proviso.
Assessments against
abutting property.

Dedication of land
by infants, etc.

SEC. 2. That the supreme court of the District of Columbia, sitting as an equity court, shall have authority to empower, order, and decree the committee or guardian of any person of unsound mind, and the guardian or trustee of any infant, owning or having an interest or estate in any land within the limits above described, to dedicate to the District of Columbia for and as a part of said Sixteenth street any land or part thereof owned by such person of unsound mind or by such infant, or in which they may have an interest or estate, if, upon the application of such committee, guardian, or trustee, and after the testimony of witnesses shall be taken and such other proceedings had as the court may deem proper, the court shall determine that such

dedication will be to the interest and advantage of such person of unsound mind or such infant.

SEC. 3. That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

Approved, January 30, 1900.

CHAP. 5.—An Act To provide an American register for the steam whaler Bowhead.

January 31, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built steam whaler Bowhead, owned by John A. Cook, Preston B. Keith, F. B. Howard, E. T. Packard, D. W. Field, A. W. Barrows, George Bickford, W. H. Bryant, and H. B. Madison, citizens of the United States, to be registered as a vessel of the United States whenever it shall be shown to the Commissioner of Navigation that the repairs put upon such vessel in the United States are equal to three-fourths of the cost of such vessel when so repaired.

Whaler "Bowhead." Granted American register.

Approved, January 31, 1900.

CHAP. 6.—An Act To authorize the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company to construct and operate a railway through the Fort Reno and Fort Sill military reservations in the Territory of Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

January 31, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company, a corporation created under and by virtue of the laws of the States of Illinois and Iowa, be, and the same is hereby, empowered to survey, locate, construct, and maintain a railway, telegraph, and telephone line through the Fort Reno and Fort Sill military reservations in the Territory of Oklahoma, upon such a line as shall be determined and approved by the Secretary of War.

Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway granted right of way through Fort Reno and Fort Sill Reservations, Okla.

SEC. 2. That said corporation is authorized to take and use for all purposes of a railway, telegraph, and telephone line, and for no other purpose, a right of way one hundred feet in width through said Fort Reno and Fort Sill military reservations and a right to take and use a strip of land in each of said reservations two hundred feet in width, with a length of three thousand feet, in addition to right of way, for stations, with the right to use such additional ground when cuts and fills may be necessary for the construction and maintenance of the roadbed, not exceeding one hundred feet in width on each side of said right of way, or as much thereof as may be included in said cut or fill: *Provided,* That no part of the lands herein authorized to be taken shall be leased or sold by the company, and they shall not be used except in such manner and for such purposes as shall be necessary for the construction and convenient operation of said railway, telegraph, and telephone lines; and when any portion thereof shall cease to be used, such portion shall revert to the United States, from which the same shall have been taken.

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Land for stations, etc.

Proviso. Restrictions on grant.

Approved, January 31, 1900.

CHAP. 7.—An Act Relating to the Twelfth and subsequent censuses, and giving to the Director thereof additional power and authority in certain cases, and for other purposes.

February 1, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in addition to the power and authority conferred upon the Director of the Census by an Act

Twelfth Census. Vol. 30, p. 1014.