

**CHAP. 820.**—An Act To amend an Act to prohibit the passage of special or local laws in the Territories, to limit the Territorial indebtedness, and so forth.

June 6, 1900.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act of Congress approved July thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-six, entitled "An Act to prohibit the passage of local or special laws of the Territories of the United States, to limit Territorial indebtedness, and for other purposes," is hereby amended so as to permit, authorize, and legalize the issuance of bonds by chartered municipal corporations having a bona fide population of not less than ten thousand persons, in any Territory of the United States, for erecting a city building and purchasing the ground for the same. The limitations of said Act of July thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-six, shall not apply to such municipal corporations: *Provided*, That before any bonds shall be issued the mayor and common council of such municipal corporation shall cause an election to be held in such city or town, and the mayor and common council of such municipal corporation shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in said city or town a notice of the time and place or places of holding such election. Such notice shall be given not more than sixty nor less than thirty days before such election. On the question of the issuance of said bonds no person shall be qualified to vote except he be in all respects a qualified elector and owner of real or personal property subject to taxation within the municipality. In case two-thirds of the qualified voters, as above described, shall vote affirmatively for the issuance of said bonds, then the mayor and common council shall issue the same, and not otherwise. Said bonds shall contain all necessary provisions as to form, and such municipality shall provide a proper sinking fund for the redemption of said bonds. Said bonds shall not bear a rate of interest exceeding five per centum, and the interest shall be paid semi-annually, and none of said bonds shall be sold at less than their par value: *Provided further*, That no city under this Act shall issue bonds in excess of thirty thousand dollars.

Territories.  
Vol. 24, p. 170, amer. d. ed.

Municipal bond issues for city buildings and sites authorized.

*Provisos.*  
Election to precede issue.

—notice of.

—qualified voters.

Form, interest, etc.

Limit of issue.

Approved, June 6, 1900.

**CHAP. 821.**—An Act To amend the Act of Congress approved May fourteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act for the relief of settlers on the public lands."

June 6, 1900.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the third section of the Act of Congress approved May fourteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act for the relief of settlers on the public lands," be amended by adding thereto the following:

Public lands.  
Vol. 21, p. 141.

"Where an unmarried woman who has heretofore settled, or may hereafter settle, upon a tract of public land, improved, established, and maintained a bona fide residence thereon, with the intention of appropriating the same for a home, subject to the homestead law, and has married, or shall hereafter marry, before making entry of said land, or before making application to enter said land, she shall not on account of her marriage forfeit her right to make entry and receive patent for the land: *Provided*, That she does not abandon her residence on said land, and is otherwise qualified to make homestead entry: *Provided further*, That the man whom she marries is not, at the time of their marriage, claiming a separate tract of land under the homestead law.

Entry woman's marriage not to forfeit right to homestead entry.

*Provisos.*  
—to be otherwise qualified, etc.  
—no separate claim of land by husband.

"That this Act shall be applicable to all unpatented lands claimed by such entry woman at the date of passage."

Scope of act.

Approved, June 6, 1900.

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**CHAP. 822.**—An Act To provide an American register for the barge Davidson.Barge "Davidson"  
granted American  
register.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built barge Ringhorn, owned by James T. O'Donnell, a citizen of the United States, to be registered as a vessel of the United States under the name of Davidson.

Approved, June 6, 1900.

June 7, 1900.

**CHAP. 859.**—An Act Making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and one, and for other purposes.Naval service ap-  
propriations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the naval service of the Government for the year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and one, and for other purposes:

## PAY OF THE NAVY.

Pay of the Navy.

Pay and allowances prescribed by law of officers on sea duty; officers on shore and other duty; officers on waiting orders; officers on the retired list; Admiral's secretary; clerks to commandants of yards and stations; clerks to paymasters at yards and stations; general storekeepers, receiving ships and other vessels; for four additional clerks, one to commandant, at one thousand five hundred dollars per year, and one to paymaster and general storekeeper, at one thousand three hundred dollars per year, at Honolulu, and one to commandant, at one thousand five hundred dollars per year, and one to paymaster and general storekeeper, at one thousand three hundred dollars per year, at Samoa; commutation of quarters for officers on shore not occupying public quarters; pay of enlisted men on the retired list; extra pay to men reenlisting under honorable discharge; interest on deposits by men; pay of petty officers, seamen, landsmen, and apprentice boys, including men in the engineers' force and for the Fish Commission, seventeen thousand five hundred men and two thousand five hundred apprentices under training at training stations and on board training ships, and for men detailed for duty with naval militia at the pay prescribed by law, twelve million eight hundred and ten thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven dollars.

## PAY, MISCELLANEOUS.

Pay, miscellaneous.

For commissions and interest; transportation of funds; exchange; mileage to officers while traveling under orders in the United States, and transportation of baggage allowed by regulations, and for actual personal expenses of officers while traveling abroad under orders, and for traveling expenses of civilian employees, and for actual and necessary traveling expenses of naval cadets while proceeding from their homes to the Naval Academy for examination and appointment as cadets; for rent and furniture of buildings and offices not in navy-yards; expenses of courts-martial, prisoners and prisons, and courts of inquiry, boards of inspection, examining boards, with clerks' and witnesses' fees, and traveling expenses and costs; stationery and recording expenses of purchasing-paymasters' offices of the various cities, including clerks, furniture, fuel, stationery, and incidental expenses; newspapers and advertising; foreign postage; telegraphing,