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[H. R. 16300.]

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Erie, Pa.
Use of land for waterworks on Presque Isle Peninsula granted to.

Provisos.
Government rights reserved.

Restriction.

Nonliability of United States for damages.
Secretary of War to approve plans, etc.

Amendment.

CHAP. 1623.—An Act Granting certain rights and privileges to the commissioners of waterworks in the city of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commissioners of waterworks in the city of Erie, State of Pennsylvania, are hereby granted the right to use and occupy so much of the land belonging to the United States, known as Presque Isle Peninsula, not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five acres, as may be necessary for the purpose of laying, extending, protecting, and maintaining an intake pipe, and for laying out, installing, building, maintaining, and operating the necessary reservoirs, settling basins, and filtration beds, for the waterworks of the said city of Erie, and in connection therewith to construct and maintain buildings, houses, and sheds, to reclaim marsh lands, to plant trees and shrubs, to build and maintain walks, roads, docks, and any other works, improvements, or structures that may be required for the purpose of supplying the city of Erie with water, and for no other purpose: *Provided*, That the use and occupation of the said lands shall in no manner affect the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to such land, nor the Government right of passage across the land so occupied; and the said commissioners of waterworks shall do nothing that may injuriously affect the harbor of Erie or the peninsula of Presque Isle as a protection for this harbor: *Provided further*, That the United States shall not be liable for any damage whatever that may at any time occur to the waterworks improvement: *And provided further*, That the exercise of the right hereby granted, and the execution of any work hereby authorized, shall be in accordance with such plans and specifications as may be approved by the Secretary of War, and subject to such further stipulations and conditions as he may prescribe.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

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Preamble.
Crow Indian Reservation, Mont.
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CHAP. 1624.—An Act To ratify and amend an agreement with the Indians of the Crow Reservation in Montana, and making appropriations to carry the same into effect.

Whereas Benjamin F. Barge, James H. McNeely, and Charles G. Hoyt, acting for and on behalf the United States, did, on the fourteenth day of August, A. D., eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, make and conclude an agreement with the Indians of the Crow Reservation, in Montana, which said agreement is in words and figures as follows:

Whereas Benjamin F. Barge, James H. McNeely, and Charles G. Hoyt, being duly appointed as commissioner[s] on behalf of the United States by the Secretary of the Interior under and by virtue of an act of Congress approved June 10th, 1896 (29 U. S. Statutes A. L., page 341), entitled "An act making appropriations for current and contingent expenses of the Indian Bureau of the Interior Department and fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1897, and for other purposes," and by said act being authorized to negotiate with the Crow Indians, in the State of Montana, for the cession of a portion of their reservation; and whereas the Indians residing on and having rights upon the said Crow Indian Reservation in the State of Montana are willing to dispose of a portion of their surplus lands:

Agreement with Crow Indians for sale of portion of.

Now therefore, this agreement made and entered into by and between the aforesaid commissioners on behalf of the United States of America and the head men and a majority of the male adults residing upon and