

paid. But it shall be a sufficient defense to any charge of introducing or attempting to introduce ardent spirits, ale, beer, wine, or intoxicating liquors into the Indian country that the acts charged were done under authority, in writing, from the War Department or any officer duly authorized thereunto by the War Department.

Authorized introduction of liquors.

SEC. 2. That so much of the Act of the twenty-third day of July, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed.

Repeal.
Vol. 27, p. 260.

Approved, January 30, 1897.

CHAP. 110.—An Act Authorizing the establishment of a life-saving station on the coast of Maryland.

January 30, 1897.

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish a life-saving station on the coast of Maryland, between the Fenwick Island and the Ocean City life-saving stations, at such point as the General Superintendent of the Life-Saving Service may recommend.

Maryland.
Life-saving station established.

Approved, January 30, 1897.

CHAP. 111.—An Act To confirm certain cash entries of public lands.

January 30, 1897.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all entries of the public lands made under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to graduate and reduce the price of the public lands to actual settlers and cultivators," approved August fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, which are illegal and invalid because of the fact that the lands covered thereby had never been offered for sale, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed, if, upon examination by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the same are found to be otherwise regular and in compliance with said Act and the Acts supplemental thereto.

Public lands.
Certain cash graduation entries confirmed.
Vol. 10, p. 574.
Vol. 12, p. 413.

SEC. 2. That all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

Approved, January 30, 1897.

CHAP. 112.—An Act To establish railroad bridges across the Cumberland and Tennessee rivers, in Kentucky.

January 30, 1897.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Cairo and Tennessee River Railroad Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Tennessee, its successors and assigns, is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, construct, establish, and maintain railway bridges and approaches thereto across the Cumberland River, in the State of Kentucky, at points to be selected by said railroad, or its successors or assigns, between Rockcastle and Tobaccoport, in Trigg County, and also another bridge across said river between Burksville, on said river, in Kentucky, and the Tennessee State line, and also a bridge across the Tennessee River, between Pine Bluff, in Calloway County, Kentucky, and Birmingham, in Marshall County, Kentucky, the locations of said bridges to be selected by said railroad, or its successors or assigns, between said described points on said rivers, which said bridges shall not interfere with the free navigation of said rivers; and in case of any litigation arising from any obstruction or alleged obstruction to free

Cairo and Tennessee River Railroad Company may bridge Cumberland and Tennessee rivers, Kentucky.

Litigation.