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PRE EMPTION RIGHTS IN KANSAS AND NEBRASKA.—Attorney-General Cushing, in a long opinion upon pre-emption rights in Kansas and Nebraska, says: The act of Congress gives pre-emption only in such of those lands ceded as are not required first to be offered at public sale; that the lands ceded by the Delawares, Ioways, and Weas, under condition of being first offered at public sale are no more opened to pre-emption by the act of Congress, than was the military reservation at Fort Leavenworth; that those lands cannot be taken up by settlers under claim of pre-emption; and that all claims of pre-emption will be void in law, and will confer no right on which to demand the issue of a patent from the Commissioner of Public Lands. It will be the duty of the President, he says, to maintain the plighted faith of the Government in this matter.

CRIME IN ST. LOUIS.—The St. Louis *Republican* of the 16th inst., says there has not been a night within the last week when the dagger has not drank the blood of its victim. The police office for several nights past, has been the receptacle of bleeding men who have had the knife put to them. The dens of iniquity in the city—bad enough under ordinary circumstances—have recently been stirred up by the worst passions, and the streets every night are infested with bands of reckless men in pursuit of difficulties, armed to the teeth and eager for an affray.

By the President of the United States.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of September, 1841, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1841, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1843, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1843, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of July, 1844, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1844, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1845, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1845, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1846, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1846, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1847, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1847, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1848, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1848, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1849, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1849, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1850, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1850, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1851, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1851, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1852, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1852, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1853, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1853, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1854, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1854, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1855, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1855, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1856, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1856, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1857, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1857, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1858, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1858, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1859, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1859, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1860, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1860, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1861, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1861, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1862, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1862, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1863, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1863, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1864, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1864, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1865, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1865, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1866, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1866, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1867, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1867, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1868, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1868, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1869, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1869, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1870, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1870, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1871, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1871, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1872, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1872, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1873, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1873, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1874, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1874, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1875, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1875, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1876, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1876, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1877, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1877, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1878, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1878, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1879, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1879, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1880, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1880, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1881, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1881, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1882, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1882, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1883, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1883, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1884, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1884, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1885, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1885, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 4th day of August, 1886, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1886, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which have been surveyed prior to the passage of the said act, and who shall, within three months from the time of such settlement, file a declaration of his intention to claim the benefits of the said act, shall be entitled to enter with the Register of the Land Office for the district in which such lands may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include his residence, and to which he shall thereafter give a preference right of purchase, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or such other price as may be established by law for the residue of the public lands, at any time within thirty months after the day of such settlement; and

WHEREAS, by the act of Congress, approved on the 3d day of March, 1887, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," it is provided that every person entitled to the benefits of the said act, who shall, on or before the first day of December, 1887, make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title has been extin