

Amendment.
Rights not to be im-
paired.

SEC. 11. That Congress may from time to time alter, repeal, or modify this Act of incorporation, but no contract or individual right made or acquired shall thereby be divested or impaired.

Approved, June 30, 1906.

June 30, 1906.
[H. R. 11932.]
[Public, No. 399.]
Bark "Homeward
Bound."
American registry
granted.

CHAP. 3930.—An Act To grant American registry to the bark Homeward Bound.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation be, and he is hereby, authorized to register as an American vessel the bark Homeward Bound, now sailing under a limited American register.

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[H. R. 12323.]
[Public, No. 400.]
Public lands.
Fort Crittenden
Military Reservation,
Utah.
Laws extended to.
Patents to lands in
abandoned Fort Rice
Military Reservation,
N. Dak.

CHAP. 3931.—An Act To extend the public-land laws of the United States to the lands comprised within the limits of the abandoned Fort Crittenden Military Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the general laws for the disposal of the public lands of the United States are hereby extended and made applicable to the lands comprised within the limits of the abandoned Fort Crittenden Military Reservation in the State of Utah.

SEC. 2. That all persons now having or who may hereafter file homestead applications upon any of the lands situate within the abandoned Fort Rice Military Reservation, in the State of North Dakota, shall be entitled to a patent to the land filed upon by such person upon compliance with the provisions of the homestead law of the United States and proper proof thereof, and shall not be required to pay the appraised values of such lands in addition to such compliance with the said homestead law.

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[H. R. 13193.]
[Public, No. 401.]
District of Columbia.
Killing birds pro-
hibited.
Penalty.

Proviso.
Permits.

Killing wild ani-
mals without permit
prohibited.

Penalty.

CHAP. 3932.—An Act To prohibit the killing of wild birds and wild animals in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no person shall at any time or at any place in the District of Columbia kill, or attempt to kill, any game bird or any other wild bird whatever, except the English sparrow, under a penalty of five dollars or imprisonment in the workhouse for not more than six months, or both, for each bird killed or for each attempt as aforesaid: *Provided,* That landowners or tenants may, under special written permit from the superintendent of the Metropolitan police, shoot or kill crows, Cooper hawks, sharp-shinned hawks, and great horned owls found destroying crops or poultry on their premises.

SEC. 2. That no person shall at any time or at any place in the District of Columbia trap, catch, kill, injure, pursue, or attempt to trap, catch, kill, injure, or pursue any squirrel or any chipmunk, or shall shoot or hunt with a gun any rabbit or other wild animal without a special written permit so to do from such officer as the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may, by regulation or order, from time to time charge with that duty, under a penalty of five dollars or

imprisonment in the workhouse for not more than thirty days, or both, for each squirrel or chipmunk trapped, caught, killed, injured, or pursued, or for each rabbit or other animal killed as aforesaid: *Provided*, That any wild animal may be killed when suffering from injury or disease.

Proviso.
Exception.

SEC. 3. That no person in the District of Columbia shall kill any English sparrow or any wild animal suffering from injury or disease, by means of any gun, air gun, rifle, air rifle, parlor rifle, pistol, revolver, or other firearm, without a special written permit so to do from such official as the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may, by regulation or order, from time to time charge with that duty, under a penalty of five dollars or imprisonment in the workhouse for not more than thirty days, or both, for each sparrow or animal so killed.

Killing birds, etc., with firearms prohibited.

Penalty.

SEC. 4. That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized and empowered to make and enforce all such usual and reasonable police regulations, in addition to those already made under the Act of January twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, and the joint resolution approved February twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, as they may deem necessary for the regulation of firearms, projectiles, explosives, or weapons of any kind in the District of Columbia.

Regulations of firearms, etc.

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SEC. 5. That no person in the District of Columbia shall at any time hunt, pursue, or needlessly disturb any wild duck, goose, or other waterfowl, on any of the waters of the District of Columbia, with any boat propelled by any means other than oars, under a penalty of ten dollars or imprisonment in the workhouse for not more than thirty days, or both, for each offense.

Waterfowl. Restriction on hunting.

Penalty.

SEC. 6. That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent herewith be, and the same are hereby, repealed. But nothing in this Act shall prevent the hunting of game birds on the marshes of the Anacostia River, or Eastern Branch, north of the Anacostia bridge, and on the marshes on the Virginia shore of the Potomac River east of the Aqueduct Bridge: *Provided*, That said birds are not hunted within two hundred yards of any bridge or dwelling.

Repeal.

Marsh hunting.

Proviso.
Restriction.

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CHAP. 3933.—An Act To incorporate the Lake Erie and Ohio River Ship Canal, to define the powers thereof, and to facilitate interstate commerce.

June 30, 1906.
[H. R. 14396.]

[Public, No. 402.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to facilitate interstate commerce between the Great Lakes and the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, Edward J. Lloyd, George A. Kelly, junior, John H. Jones, Henry Buhl, junior, Thomas P. Roberts, William J. East, George W. Stewart, Emil Swensson, Charles A. Fagan, George M. Lehman, James W. Wardrop, Burd S. Patterson, and John E. Shaw, together with such persons as may become associated with them and their successors, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of "The Lake Erie and Ohio River Ship Canal Company," and by that name, style, and title shall have perpetual succession, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, make and use a common seal; and said corporation shall have and possess full power and authority to construct, equip, maintain, and operate the canals with appurtenances herein-after described, and with power to take, receive, acquire, purchase, hold, use, lease, sell, mortgage, encumber, charge, pledge, grant, assign, and convey all such real and personal property and rights of property as may be requisite and needed in and about the construction, equipment, maintenance, and operation of said canals or anything

Ship canal.
Lake Erie and Ohio River Ship Canal Company, incorporated.
Incorporators.

General powers.