[No. 585.]

By the President of the United States:

IN pursuance of law, I, James Buchanan, President of the United States of America, do hereby declare and make known that public sales will be held at the undermentioned land offices in the State of California, at the periods hereinafter designated, to wit:

At the land office at Los Angeles, commencing on *Monday, the tenth day of May next*, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

South of the base line and west of the San Bernardino meridian.

Sections one to twelve, inclusive; the north half of section thirteen; the north half and the southwest quarter of section fourteen; sections fifteen to twenty-one, inclusive; the north half of section twenty-two; the northwest quarter of section twenty-three; section twenty-five; the south half of section twenty-six; the southeast quarter of section twenty-seven; sections twenty-nine to thirty-two, inclusive; the south half of section thirty-three; the northeast quarter and the south half of section thirty-four; and section thirty-five, of *township three*; sections three to nine, inclusive; the north half and the southwest quarter of section ten; the southeast quarter and the northwest quarter of section eleven; the northeast quarter and the south half of section twelve; section thirteen; the east half of section fourteen; sections seventeen to twenty-four, inclusive; the north half of section twenty-five; and sections twenty-six to thirty-five, inclusive, of *township four*, of *range three*.

Township *three*, of *range four*.

Sections one to twenty-four, inclusive; the north half of section twenty-five; and sections twenty-six to thirty, inclusive, of *township one*; and sections one to twenty-seven, inclusive, of *township three*, of *range five*.

Sections one, two, and three; the east half of section four; the east half and the southwest quarter of section nine; sections ten to fifteen, inclusive; the southeast quarter of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive; the east half and the southwest quarter of section twenty-nine; the south half of section thirty; sections thirty-one to thirty-four, inclusive; and the northwest quarter of section thirty-five, of *township one*, of *range six*.

North of the base line and west of the San Bernardino meridian.

Sections one to seventeen, inclusive; the north half of section eighteen; the south half of section nineteen; sections twenty to twenty-three, inclusive; the northwest quarter of section twenty-four; the northwest quarter of section twenty-six; sections twenty-seven to thirty, inclusive; the east half of section thirty-two; the north half of the northeast quarter and the northwest quarter of section thirty-three, of *township three, township four, and five*; sections one to eight, inclusive; the north half of section nine; sections ten to thirteen, inclusive; the east half of section fourteen; the west half of section seventeen; sections eighteen and nineteen; the west half of section twenty; the southeast quarter of section twenty-one; and sections twenty-two to thirty-five, inclusive, of *township six* and *township seven*, of *range four*.

Sections one to fifteen, inclusive; the east half of section seventeen; the east half of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-seven, inclusive; the north half of section twenty-eight; the northeast quarter of section twenty-nine; the northeast quarter of section thirty-four; and the northwest quarter of section thirty-five, of *township three*, and *township four, five, six*, and *seven*, of *range five*.

Sections one and two; the north half of section three; the north half of section four; the northeast quarter of section five; the west half of section six; the north half, the southeast quarter, and the north half of the southwest quarter of section seven; the west half of the northwest quarter and the south half of section eight; the northeast quarter of section eleven; section twelve; the northeast quarter and the east half of the southeast quarter of section seventeen; the east half of the northeast quarter and the southeast quarter of section twenty; the west half of the northwest quarter and the southwest quarter of section twenty-one; the southwest quarter of section twenty-six; and the northeast quarter of section thirty-five, of *township three* and *township four and five*, of *range six*.

Sections one to eighteen, inclusive; the north half of section nineteen; sections twenty to twenty-five, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-six; the northwest quarter of section twenty-seven; and the northeast quarter of section twenty-eight, of *township four* and *township five*, of *range seven*.

Sections one to six, inclusive; the northwest quarter of section seven; the northeast quarter of section nine; the north half of section ten; sections eleven, twelve, and thirteen; the northeast quarter of section fourteen; and the northeast quarter of section twenty-three, of *township four*, and *township five*, of *range eight*.

The northwest quarter of section three; sections four, five, and six; the north half of section seven; sections eight and nine; and the northeast quarter of section seventeen, of *township four*; and *townships five* and *six*, of *range nine*.

Sections one and two; the northeast quarter of section three; the west half of section eleven; the northeast quarter of section twelve; section fourteen; and the southeast quarter of section fifteen, of *township four*; sections one to twenty-eight, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-nine; the northeast quarter of section thirty-three; and sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of *township five*; and *township six*, of *range ten*.

Sections one to eighteen, inclusive; the northwest quarter of section nineteen; the northeast quarter of section twenty-one; the northwest quarter of section twenty-two; and the northeast quarter of section twenty-four, of *township five*; and the northeast quarter of section twenty-eight, of *township six*, of *range eleven*.

Sections one, two, and three; the northeast quarter of section four; the northeast quarter of section ten; sections eleven, twelve, thirteen, and fourteen; the southeast quarter of section fifteen; the southwest quarter of section eighteen; section nineteen; the southwest quarter of section twenty; the east half of section twenty-two; the northwest quarter of section twenty-three; sections twenty-seven to thirty-three, inclusive; and the north half of section thirty-four, of *township five*; and *townships six* and *seven*, of *range twelve*.

Section one; the northeast quarter of section two; the southeast quarter of section ten; the south half of section eleven; section twelve; the east half of section thirteen; the northwest quarter of section fourteen; and the north half of section fifteen, of *township four*; the southwest quarter of section seven; the south half of section eight; the southwest quarter of section nine; the west half of section fifteen; the north half of section seventeen; section eighteen; the northeast quarter of section twenty-two; and sections twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, and thirty-five, of *township five*; sections one to seventeen, inclusive; the north half of section eighteen; the northeast quarter of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-five, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-six, of *township six*; and township seven, of *range thirteen*.

Section thirteen; the southeast quarter of section fourteen; the southeast quarter of section twenty-two; the east half and the southwest quarter of section twenty-three; the northwest quarter of section twenty-four; the north half of section twenty-six; and the east half of section twenty-seven, of *township five*; sections one, two, and three; the northeast quarter and the north half of the northwest quarter of section four; the northeast quarter of section eleven; section twelve; and the north half of section thirteen, of *township six*; sections one to eighteen, inclusive; the north half of section nineteen; the north half of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive; the south half of section twenty-nine; the south east quarter of section thirty; the north half of the northeast quarter of section thirty-one; the northeast quarter and the north half of the northwest quarter of section thirty-two; and sections thirty-three, thirty-four, and thirty-five, of *township seven*, of *range fourteen*.

At the land office at San Francisco, commencing on *Monday, the third day of May next*, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and east of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Fractional township *three*, of *range one*.

North of the base line and west of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Fractional *township four* and *five*, of *range one*.

South of the base line and east of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Sections one to eighteen, and twenty-two to twenty-five, inclusive, of *township ten*, of *range nine*.

Township *ten*; and sections one to six, inclusive; eight to fifteen, inclusive; and twenty-two to twenty-six, inclusive, of *township eleven*, of *range ten*.

Townships *ten* and *eleven*; sections one to six, inclusive; eight to fifteen, inclusive; twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive; and thirty-four and thirty-five, of *township twelve*; sections one, two, three, and nine to fifteen, inclusive; and twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive, of *township thirteen*, of *range eleven*.

Fractional township *ten*; townships *eleven, twelve*, and *thirteen*; sections one to five, inclusive; eight to seventeen, inclusive; twenty to twenty-nine, inclusive; and thirty-three, thirty-four, and thirty-five, of *township fourteen*; sections one to four, inclusive; ten to thirteen, inclusive; and twenty-four and twenty-five, of *township fifteen*, of *range twelve*.

Fractional township *eleven*; townships *twelve, thirteen, fourteen*, and township *fifteen, except section thirty-one*; and sections one, two, and twelve, of township *sixteen*, of *range thirteen*.

Townships *twelve, thirteen, fourteen*, and *fifteen*; sections one to seventeen, inclusive, twenty-one to twenty-seven, inclusive, and thirty-four and thirty-five, of township *sixteen*, of *range fourteen*.

Townships *thirteen, fourteen*, fifteen, and *sixteen*; the south half of section four; the south half of section five; sections seven, eight, and nine; the west half of section ten; and sections thirteen to thirty-five, inclusive, of township *twenty*, of range *fifteen*.

Fractional township *sixteen*, and township *twenty*, of range *sixteen*.

Fractional township *sixteen*; and townships *seventeen, eighteen*, nineteen, and twenty, of *range seventeen*.

Fractional townships *seventeen* and *eighteen*, and townships *nineteen* and *twenty*, of *range eighteen*.

Fractional townships *eighteen, nineteen*, and *twenty*, of *range nineteen*.

At the land office at Marysville, commencing on *Monday, the seventeenth day of May next*, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and east of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Fractional township *four*; township *five*; fractional townships *twelve, thirteen*, and *fourteen*; and townships *seventeen* and *eighteen*, of *range one*.

Fractional townships *twelve, thirteen*, and *fourteen*; and townships *seventeen, eighteen*, and nineteen, of *range two*.

North of the base line and west of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Townships *eleven* and *twelve*, and fractional township thirteen, of *range one*.

Townships *twelve, thirteen, fourteen*, and fifteen, of *range two*.

Townships *fourteen, fifteen*, and *sixteen*; fractional townships *seventeen, eighteen*, and *nineteen*; and townships twenty and twenty-one, of *range three*.

Sections one, two, three, and ten to fourteen, inclusive; the east half of section fifteen; the east half of section twenty-two; sections twenty-three to twenty-six, inclusive; and section thirty-five, of township *fourteen*; sections one, two, and three; the east half of section four; the east half of section nine; sections ten to fifteen, inclusive; the east half of section twenty-one; sections twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-eight; and sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of township *fifteen*; sections one to seventeen, inclusive; nine to fifteen, inclusive, twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive, and thirty-four, and thirty-five, of township *sixteen*; sections one to seven, inclusive; the north half and the southwest quarter of section eight; sections nine to fifteen, inclusive; the west half of section seventeen; sections eighteen and nineteen; the northwest quarter of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive; the west half of section thirty; and sections thirty-three, thirty-four, and thirty-five, of township *seventeen*; sections one to nineteen, inclusive; the west half of section twenty; the east half of section twenty-one; sections twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive; the east half of section thirty-two; and the east half of section thirty-three; the east half of section thirty-four; and sections thirty-five, thirty-six, and thirty-seven, of township *eighteen*; and townships *nineteen*, twenty, and twenty-one, of range *four*.

Sections one, two, three, and ten to fifteen, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-two; sections twenty-three to twenty-six, inclusive; the southeast quarter of section thirty-four; and section thirty-five; of township *seventeen*; sections one, two, and three; the southeast quarter of section nine; sections ten to fifteen, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-one; sections twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive; and sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of township *eighteen*; sections one, two, and three; the southeast quarter of section nine; sections ten to fifteen, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-one; sections twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive; and sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of township *nineteen*, of range *five*.

Sections one, two, and three; the east half of section four; the east half and the southwest quarter of section nine; sections ten to fifteen, inclusive; the southeast quarter of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive; the east half and the southwest quarter of section twenty-nine; the south half of section thirty; sections thirty-one to thirty-four, inclusive; and the northwest quarter of section thirty-five, of *township one*, of *range six*.

North of the base line and west of the San Bernardino meridian.

Sections one to seventeen, inclusive; the north half of section eighteen; the south half of section nineteen; sections twenty to twenty-three, inclusive; the northwest quarter of section twenty-four; the northwest quarter of section twenty-six; sections twenty-seven to thirty, inclusive; the east half of section thirty-two; the north half of the northeast quarter and the northwest quarter of section thirty-three, of *township three, township four, and five*; sections one to eight, inclusive; the north half of section nine; sections ten to thirteen, inclusive; the east half of section fourteen; the west half of section seventeen; sections eighteen and nineteen; the west half of section twenty; the southeast quarter of section twenty-one; and sections twenty-two to thirty-five, inclusive, of *township six* and *township seven*, of *range four*.

Sections one to fifteen, inclusive; the east half of section seventeen; the east half of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-seven, inclusive; the north half of section twenty-eight; the northeast quarter of section twenty-nine; the northeast quarter of section thirty-four; and the northwest quarter of section thirty-five, of *township three*, and *townships four, five, six*, and *seven*, of *range five*.

Sections one and two; the north half of section three; the north half of section four; the northeast quarter of section five; the west half of section six; the north half, the southeast quarter, and the north half of the southwest quarter of section seven; the west half of the northwest quarter and the south half of section eight; the northeast quarter of section eleven; section twelve; the northeast quarter and the east half of the southeast quarter of section seventeen; the east half of the northeast quarter and the southeast quarter of section twenty; the west half of the northwest quarter and the southwest quarter of section twenty-one; the southwest quarter of section twenty-six; and the northeast quarter of section thirty-five, of *township three* and *township four and five*, of *range six*.

Sections one to eighteen, inclusive; the north half of section nineteen; sections twenty to twenty-five, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-six; the northwest quarter of section twenty-seven; and the northeast quarter of section twenty-eight, of *township four* and *township five*, of *range seven*.

Sections one to six, inclusive; the northwest quarter of section seven; the northeast quarter of section nine; the north half of section ten; sections eleven, twelve, and thirteen; the northeast quarter of section fourteen; and the northeast quarter of section twenty-three, of *township four*, and *township five*, of *range eight*.

The northwest quarter of section three; sections four, five, and six; the north half of section seven; sections eight and nine; and the northeast quarter of section seventeen, of *township four*; and *townships five* and *six*, of *range nine*.

Sections one and two; the northeast quarter of section three; the west half of section eleven; the northeast quarter of section twelve; section fourteen; and the southeast quarter of section fifteen, of *township four*; sections one to twenty-eight, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-nine; the northeast quarter of section thirty-three; and sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of *township five*; and *township six*, of *range ten*.

Sections one to eighteen, inclusive; the northwest quarter of section nineteen; the northeast quarter of section twenty-one; the northwest quarter of section twenty-two; and the northeast quarter of section twenty-four, of township five; and the northeast quarter of section twenty-eight, of township six, of range eleven.

Sections one, two, and three; the northeast quarter of section four; the northeast quarter of section ten; sections eleven, twelve, thirteen, and fourteen; the southeast quarter of section fifteen; the southwest quarter of section eighteen; section nineteen; the southwest quarter of section twenty; the east half of section twenty-two; the northwest quarter of section twenty-three; sections twenty-seven to thirty-three, inclusive; and the north half of section thirty-four, of *township five*; and *townships six* and *seven*, of *range twelve*.

Section one; the northeast quarter of section two; the southeast quarter of section ten; the south half of section eleven; section twelve; the east half of section thirteen; the northwest quarter of section fourteen; and the north half of section fifteen, of *township four*; the southwest quarter of section seven; the south half of section eight; the southwest quarter of section nine; the west half of section fifteen; the north half of section seventeen; section eighteen; the northeast quarter of section twenty-two; and sections twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, and thirty-five, of *township five*; sections one to seventeen, inclusive; the north half of section eighteen; the northeast quarter of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-five, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-six, of *township six*; and township seven, of *range thirteen*.

Section thirteen; the southeast quarter of section fourteen; the southeast quarter of section twenty-two; the east half and the southwest quarter of section twenty-three; the northwest quarter of section twenty-four; the north half of section twenty-six; and the east half of section twenty-seven, of *township five*; sections one, two, and three; the northeast quarter and the north half of the northwest quarter of section four; the northeast quarter of section eleven; section twelve; and the north half of section thirteen, of *township six*; sections one to eighteen, inclusive; the north half of section nineteen; the north half of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive; the south half of section twenty-nine; the south east quarter of section thirty; the north half of the northeast quarter of section thirty-one; the northeast quarter and the north half of the northwest quarter of section thirty-two; and sections thirty-three, thirty-four, and thirty-five, of *township seven*, of *range fourteen*.

At the land office at San Francisco, commencing on *Monday, the third day of May next*, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and east of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Fractional township *three*, of *range one*.

North of the base line and west of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Fractional *township four* and *five*, of *range one*.

South of the base line and east of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Sections one to eighteen, and twenty-two to twenty-five, inclusive, of *township ten*, of *range nine*.

Township *ten*; and sections one to six, inclusive; eight to fifteen, inclusive; and twenty-two to twenty-six, inclusive, of *township eleven*, of *range ten*.

Townships *ten* and *eleven*; sections one to six, inclusive; eight to fifteen, inclusive; twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive; and thirty-four and thirty-five, of *township twelve*; sections one, two, three, and nine to fifteen, inclusive; and twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive, of *township thirteen*, of *range eleven*.

Fractional township *ten*; townships *eleven, twelve*, and *thirteen*; sections one to five, inclusive; eight to seventeen, inclusive; twenty to twenty-nine, inclusive; and thirty-three, thirty-four, and thirty-five, of *township fourteen*; sections one to four, inclusive; ten to thirteen, inclusive; and twenty-four and twenty-five, of *township fifteen*, of *range twelve*.

Fractional township *eleven*; townships *twelve, thirteen, fourteen*, and township *fifteen, except section thirty-one*; and sections one, two, and twelve, of township *sixteen*, of *range thirteen*.

Townships *twelve, thirteen, fourteen*, and *fifteen*; sections one to seventeen, inclusive, twenty-one to twenty-seven, inclusive, and thirty-four and thirty-five, of township *sixteen*, of *range fourteen*.

Townships *thirteen, fourteen*, fifteen, and *sixteen*; the south half of section four; the south half of section five; sections seven, eight, and nine; the west half of section ten; and sections thirteen to thirty-five, inclusive, of township *twenty*, of range *fifteen*.

Fractional township *sixteen*, and township *twenty*, of range *sixteen*.

Fractional township *sixteen*; and townships *seventeen, eighteen*, nineteen, and twenty, of *range seventeen*.

Fractional townships *seventeen* and *eighteen*, and townships *nineteen* and *twenty*, of *range eighteen*.

Fractional townships *eighteen, nineteen*, and *twenty*, of *range nineteen*.

At the land office at Marysville, commencing on *Monday, the seventeenth day of May next*, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and east of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Fractional township *four*; township *five*; fractional townships *twelve, thirteen*, and *fourteen*; and townships *seventeen* and *eighteen*, of *range one*.

Fractional townships *twelve, thirteen*, and *fourteen*; and townships *seventeen, eighteen*, and nineteen, of *range two*.

North of the base line and west of the Mount Diablo meridian.

Townships *eleven* and *twelve*, and fractional township thirteen, of *range one*.

Townships *twelve, thirteen, fourteen*, and fifteen, of *range two*.

Townships *fourteen, fifteen*, and *sixteen*; fractional townships *seventeen, eighteen*, and *nineteen*; and townships twenty and twenty-one, of *range three*.

Sections one, two, three, and ten to fourteen, inclusive; the east half of section fifteen; the east half of section twenty-two; sections twenty-three to twenty-six, inclusive; and section thirty-five, of township *fourteen*; sections one, two, and three; the east half of section four; the east half of section nine; sections ten to fifteen, inclusive; the east half of section twenty-one; sections twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-eight; and sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of township *fifteen*; sections one to seventeen, inclusive; nine to fifteen, inclusive, twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive, and thirty-four, and thirty-five, of township *sixteen*; sections one to seven, inclusive; the north half and the southwest quarter of section eight; sections nine to fifteen, inclusive; the west half of section seventeen; sections eighteen and nineteen; the northwest quarter of section twenty; sections twenty-one to twenty-eight, inclusive; the west half of section thirty; and sections thirty-three, thirty-four, and thirty-five, of township *seventeen*; sections one to nineteen, inclusive; the west half of section twenty; the east half of section twenty-one; sections twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive; the east half of section thirty-two; and the east half of section thirty-three; the east half of section thirty-four; and sections thirty-five, thirty-six, and thirty-seven, of township *eighteen*; and townships *nineteen*, twenty, and twenty-one, of range *four*.

Sections one, two, three, and ten to fifteen, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-two; sections twenty-three to twenty-six, inclusive; the southeast quarter of section thirty-four; and section thirty-five, of township *seventeen*; sections one, two, and three; the southeast quarter of section nine; sections ten to fifteen, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-one; sections twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive; and sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of township *eighteen*; sections one, two, and three; the southeast quarter of section nine; sections ten to fifteen, inclusive; the northeast quarter of section twenty-one; sections twenty-two to twenty-seven, inclusive; and sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of township *nineteen*, of range *five*.

Lands appropriated by law for the use of schools, military, and other purposes, or those covered by confirmed private land claims, together with the "swamp and overflowed lands, made thereby unfit for cultivation," if any, granted to the State by the act entitled "An act to enable the State of Arkansas and other States to reclaim the 'swamp lands' within their limits," approved September 28, 1850, will be excluded from the sales.

No "*mineral lands*" or tracts containing mineral deposits are to be offered at the public sales, such *mineral lands being expressly excepted and excluded from sale or other disposal* by the requirements of the act of Congress approved 3d March, 1853, entitled "An act to provide for the survey of the public lands in California, the granting of pre-emption rights thereto, and for other purposes."

The offering of the above lands will be commenced on the days appointed, and will proceed in the order in which they are advertised, until the whole shall have been offered, and the sales thus closed; but no sale shall be kept open longer than two weeks, and no private entry of any of the lands will be admitted until after the expiration of the two weeks.

Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, this sixteenth day of September, anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

JAMES BUCHANAN.

By the President:

Thos. A. Hendricks,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

NOTICE TO PRE-EMPTION CLAIMANTS.

Every person entitled to the right of pre-emption to any of the lands within the townships and parts of townships above enumerated is required to establish the same to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of the proper land office, *and make payment therefor as soon as practicable after seeing this notice*, and before the day appointed for the commencement of the public sale of the lands embracing the tract claimed; otherwise such claim will be forfeited.

THOS. A. HENDRICKS,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

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Washington Aqueduct.

Office of the Washington Aqueduct,
Washington, March 5, 1857.

PROPOSALS are invited for materials and work for the Washington aqueduct.

Proposals received up to 7th May will be opened at noon of that day.

Maps, profiles, and specifications of the materials and work to be let will be ready for examination at this office on and after the 20th April next.

The work to be let will embrace masonry of some of the bridges, graduation, excavation, and embankment of reservoirs, iron pipes connected with the reservoirs, 12 inch iron main, gate houses, bricks, sand, rubble, and cut stone, &c.

For the particular works and materials reference is made to the specifications and plans.

As upon a portion of the line the titles are not yet acquired by the United States, there may be some delay in commencing the work thereon; but for such unavoidable delays due allowance will be made in the time of completion.

Portions only of some of the works can be completed under the present appropriation; but all contracts for unfinished work will be subject to future appropriations by Congress. The engineer reserves the right to prescribe the amount of work to be done and rate of progress under each contract for each appropriation; and in case of the appropriation not holding out sufficiently, to decide when and what works shall be stopped until funds become available.

In case of the entire stoppage of any particular work for want of funds, the reserved ten per cent. will be paid, if, in the judgment of the engineer, the work has been properly executed so far as it has gone.

Payments will be made in specie checks upon the United States treasury upon the monthly estimates of the engineer, reserving 10 per cent.; and it will be a condition of all contracts that the workmen shall be paid their full wages monthly, and in specie.

All bids should be sealed, and endorsed "Proposals for work or materials on the Washington Aqueduct."

The United States reserves the right to reject any or all the bids should they not be deemed advantageous, and to make such arrangements as may be considered most conducive to the progress of the work.

Every offer must be accompanied by a written guarantee, signed by one or more responsible persons, to the effect that he or they undertake that the bidder or bidders will, if his or their bid be accepted, enter into an obligation, within ten days, with good and sufficient securities, for the completion of the work undertaken; said guarantee to be accompanied by the certificate of the United States district judge, United States district attorney, navy agent, or some officer of the general government or individual known to the Engineer or Department of War, that the guarantors are able to make good their guarantee.

Bids will be opened in presence of bidders, if any of them choose to be present.

M. C. MEIGS,
Capt. of Engineers, in charge.

FORM OF GUARANTEE.

To Capt. M. C. Meigs, U. S. Engineers.

We, the undersigned, residents of ——, in the State of —— hereby, jointly and severally, covenant with the United States, and guaranty, in case the foregoing bid of —— be accepted, that he or they will, within ten days after the acceptance of the said bid, execute the contract for the same, with good and sufficient sureties to perform or furnish the articles proposed in conformity to the terms of the advertisement under which it was made. And in case the said —— shall fail to enter into contract as aforesaid, we guaranty to make good the difference between the offer by the said —— and the next lowest bidder.

(Signed) A. B.
C. D.

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above-named guarantors are good and sufficient.

(Signed) E. F.
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[No. 586.]

By the President of the United States.

IN pursuance of law, I, JAMES BUCHANAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby declare and make known that public sales will be held at the undermentioned land offices in the State of Missouri, at the periods hereinafter designated, to wit:

At the land office at Plattsburg, commencing on Monday, the first day of March next, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

Fractional *townships* sixty-seven, of ranges twenty-four to forty-three, inclusive.

At the land office at Milan, commencing on Monday, the eighth day of March next, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

Fractional *townships* sixty-seven, of ranges eighteen to twenty-three, inclusive.

At the land office at Palmyra, commencing on Monday, the first day of March next, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

Fractional township sixty-seven, of range ten.

The islands in the Mississippi river, numbered one, two, and three, in fractional township sixty-four, of range five.

The island in the Des Moines river, in sections four and nine, of fractional township sixty-four, of range five.

The island in the Des Moines river, in sections nine, ten, eleven, and fifteen, of fractional township sixty-five, of range six.

At the land office at St. Louis, commencing on Monday, the first day of March next, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and east of the fifth principal meridian.

Fractional township thirty-eight, of range nine, except the portions covered by private claims.

At the land office at Jackson, commencing on Monday, the eighth day of March next, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and east of the fifth principal meridian.

Fractional township twenty-one, and township twenty-two, of range *one*.

Fractional township twenty-one, of range *two*.

Township twenty-seven, of range *seven*.

Fractional township sixteen, and township twenty-eight, of range nine.

Township twenty-nine, of range ten.

Fractional township sixteen, of range thirteen.

Township twenty-four, of range sixteen.

North of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

Fractional townships twenty-one, of ranges one to eight, inclusive.

Fractional township twenty-one, and townships twenty-five and twenty-six, of range nine.

At the land office at Springfield, commencing on Monday, the fifteenth day of March next, for the disposal of the public lands within the following-named townships, viz:

North of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

Township thirty, of range *twenty-nine*.

Township thirty, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, and thirty-four, of range thirty.

Lands appropriated by law for the use of schools, military, and other purposes, together with those "swamp and overflowed lands, made thereby unfit for cultivation," if any, granted to the State by the act entitled "An act to enable the State of Arkansas and other States to reclaim the 'swamp lands' within their limits," approved September 28, 1850, will be excluded from the sales.

The offering of the above lands will be commenced on the days appointed, and will proceed in the order in which they are advertised, until the whole shall have been offered, and the sales thus closed; but no sale shall be kept open longer than two weeks, and no private entry of any of the lands will be admitted until after the expiration of the two weeks.

Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, this sixteenth day of September, anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

JAMES BUCHANAN.

By the President:

Thos. A. Hendricks,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

NOTICE TO PRE-EMPTION CLAIMANTS.

Every person entitled to the right of pre-emption to any of the lands within the townships and parts of townships above enumerated is required to establish the same to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of the proper land office, *and make payment therefor as soon as practicable after seeing this notice*, and before the day appointed for the commencement of the public sale of the lands embracing the tract claimed; otherwise such claim will be forfeited.

THOS. A. HENDRICKS,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

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United States Patent Office,

Washington, Sept. 1, 1857.

ON the petition of James Phelps, of Sutton, Massachusetts, praying for the extension of a patent granted to him on the 24th of November, 1843, for an improvement in "washing machine for cleaning rags," for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 24th day of November, 1857—

It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday, the 9th of November next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing. All testimony filed by either party to be used at the said hearing must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

The testimony in the case will be closed on the 3d of October; depositions, and other papers relied upon as testimony, must be filed in the office on or before the morning of that day; the arguments, if any, within ten days thereafter.

Ordered, also, that this notice be published in the Union, Intelligencer, and Evening Star, Washington; Republican, Baltimore, Pennsylvanian, Philadelphia, Penn.; Daily News, New York; Post, Boston; and Inquirer, Cincinnati, Ohio, once a week for three successive weeks previous to the 9th of November next, the day of hearing.

S. T. SHUGERT,
Commissioner of Patents.

P. S.—Editors of the above papers will please copy, and send their bills to the Patent Office, with a paper containing this notice.

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L. J. MIDDLETON, Ice dealer, office and depot southwest corner of F and Twelfth streets, Washington, D. C. Ap 11—d1y†

[No. 587.]

By the President of the United States.

IN pursuance of the provisions of the 3d section of the act entitled "An act to authorize the President of the United States to cause to be surveyed the tract of land in the Territory of Minnesota belonging to the half-breeds or mixed-bloods of the Dacotah or Sioux nation of Indians, and for other purposes," approved July 17, 1854, I, JAMES BUCHANAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby declare and make known that public sales will be held at the undermentioned land offices in the Territory of Minnesota, at the periods hereinafter designated, to wit:

At the land office at Henderson, commencing on the eighth day of March next, for the disposal of the vacant public lands situated within the following-named townships and fractional townships in the late reserve for the half-breeds or mixed-bloods of the Dacotah or Sioux nation of Indians, viz:

North of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

The unlocated tracts in fractional township one hundred and eleven, of range ten.

The unlocated tracts in fractional townships one hundred and eleven, of range eleven.

The unlocated tracts in fractional townships one hundred and eleven and one hundred and twelve, of range twelve.

The unlocated tracts in township one hundred and eleven, and fractional townships one hundred and twelve and one hundred and thirteen, of range thirteen.

The unlocated tracts in township one hundred and eleven, and in that part of township one hundred and twelve, and fractional township one hundred and thirteen, within the above-mentioned reserve, of range fourteen.

The unlocated tracts in that part of townships one hundred and eleven and one hundred and twelve, within the above-mentioned reserve, of range fifteen.

At the land office at Faribault, commencing on the first day of March next, for the disposal of the public lands situated within the following-named townships and fractional townships in the late reserve for the half-breeds or mixed-bloods of the Dacotah or Sioux nation of Indians, viz:

North of the base line and west of the fifth principal meridian.

The unlocated tracts in that part of fractional township one hundred and ten, within the above-mentioned reserve, of range nine.

The unlocated tracts in that part of townships one hundred and eight, one hundred and nine, and fractional township one hundred and ten, within the above-mentioned reserve, of range ten.

The unlocated tracts in that part of township one hundred and eight, within the above-mentioned reserve, and in townships one hundred and nine and one hundred and ten, of range eleven.

The unlocated tracts in that part of townships one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine, within the above-mentioned reserve, and in township one hundred and ten, of range twelve.

The unlocated tracts in that part of townships one hundred and nine and one hundred and ten, within the above-mentioned reserve, of range thirteen.

The unlocated tracts in that part of township one hundred and ten, within the above-mentioned reserve, of range fourteen.

The unlocated tracts in that part of township one hundred and ten, within the above-mentioned reserve, of range fifteen.

In accordance with the provisions of the act of July 17, 1854, hereinbefore referred to, pre-emption claims will not be allowed to any of the above-mentioned lands until after they have been offered at public sale and become subject to private entry.

The offering of the above lands will be commenced on the days appointed, and will proceed in the order in which they are advertised until the whole shall have been offered, and the sales thus closed; but no sale shall be kept open longer than two weeks, and no private entry of any of the lands will be admitted until after the expiration of the two weeks.

Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, this sixteenth day of September, anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

JAMES BUCHANAN.

By the President:

Thos. A. Hendricks,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

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PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLIES.

Quartermaster's Office Marine Corps,
Washington, Sept. 17, 1857.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until 3 o'clock, p. m., on Thursday, the 22d October, 1857, for supplying the marine corps with the following articles during the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1858, viz:

500 to 800	uniform caps, complete.
1,000 to 2,000	marine pompoons.
1,000 to 2,000	patent-leather stocks.
500 to 800	private's uniform coats, complete, of navy blue cloth, indigo dye—to be chemically tested.
50 to 100	sergeants' uniform coats, (same as above.)
50 to 100	musicians' coats, scarlet cloth, cochineal dye—to be chemically tested.
100 to 200	pairs non-commissioned officers' epaulettes.
500 to 800	pairs brass centre straps.
30 to 50	red worsted sashes.
1,000 to 2,000	pairs linen overalls.
1,000 to 2,000	linen shirts.
2,500 to 3,000	pairs brogans, Nos. 5 to 11.
500 to 800	marine blankets, (gray.)
500 to 800	knapsacks.
2,500 to 3,000	pairs woollen socks.
500 to 800	marine fatigue caps, the cloth to be navy blue, indigo dye, and chemically tested.
500 to 800	fatigue frocks.
1,000 to 1,500	flannel shirts.
500 to 1,000	pairs woollen overalls, blue kersey.
500 to 1,000	woollen jackets, do.
300 to 500	watch or great coats, do.
500 to 1,000	pairs Canton flannel drawers.
35 to 60	musicians' jackets, scarlet cloth, cochineal dye—to be chemically tested.

Samples of the above articles may be seen on application at this office, or at the office of the assistant quartermaster marine corps, 189 Spruce street, Philadelphia.

It is to be understood that the accepted bidder is to take all material used for manufacturing coats, overalls, &c., on hand at the time of entering into contract, at the contract prices thereof.

Bids will be received for the whole or in parts for the articles required, and it must be explicity understood that a critical inspection will be given all articles furnished as to fit and quality, and that articles which do not come up to the sample will be rejected and thrown upon the hands of the contractor.

The quartermaster reserves to himself the right to increase or diminish the quantity named above, as the exigencies or interests of the service may demand.

Proposals to be addressed to the "Quartermaster of the Marine Corps," Washington, D. C., and endorsed "Proposals for Supplies."

The papers publishing this advertisement will send the paper containing the *first* insertion to this office for examination, accompanied by a duplicate account of the expense—at the rate of 75 cents for 300 ems first insertion, and 37½ cents per 300 ems for all subsequent insertions.

The "National Intelligencer," "Star," and "States," Washington; "Argus," Portland, Maine; "Patriot," Concord, N. H.; "Gazette," Portsmouth, N. H.; "Post" and "Courier," Boston, Mass.; "Bridgeport Farmer," Conn.; "Daily News" and "Atlas,"