

amended by adding thereto the following proviso, to wit: *Provided further*, That no suit against the Government of the United States, brought by any officer of the United States to recover fees for services alleged to have been performed for the United States, shall be allowed under this Act unless an account for said fees shall have been rendered and finally acted upon according to the provisions of the Act of July thirty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-four (chapter one hundred and seventy-four, Twenty-eighth Statutes at Large, page one hundred and sixty-two), unless the proper accounting officer of the Treasury fails to finally act thereon within six months after the account is received in said office.

—filing of account necessary.
Chap. 359, vol. 24, p. 505, amended.
Post, p. 649.

Vol. 28, p. 206.

SEC. 2. That section two of the Act aforesaid, approved March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto at the end thereof the following: "The jurisdiction hereby conferred upon the said circuit and district courts shall not extend to cases brought to recover fees, salary, or compensation for official services of officers of the United States or brought for such purpose by persons claiming as such officers or as assignees or legal representatives thereof."

—concurrent jurisdiction of United States Courts not to extend to.
Post, pp. 649, 650.

Approved, June 27, 1898.

CHAP. 504.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a Court of Private Land Claims and to provide for the settlement of private land claims in certain States and Territories," approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and the Act amendatory thereto, approved February twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-three.

June 27, 1898.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section eighteen of an Act entitled "An Act to establish a Court of Private Land Claims and to provide for the settlement of private land claims in certain States and Territories," approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, as amended by the Act approved February twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, be, and the same is hereby, further amended by striking out the words "within two years after the first day of December, eighteen hundred and ninety-two," as they stand in said Act as amended, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "before the fourth day of March, nineteen hundred and one," so that the first clause of said section shall read as follows, namely: "That all claims arising under either of the next two preceding sections of this Act shall be filed with the surveyor-general of the proper State or Territory before the fourth day of March, nineteen hundred and one, and no claim not so filed shall be valid."

Court of Private Land Claims.
Time extended to file claims under adverse possession.
Vol. 26, p. 862.

Vol. 27, p. 470, amended.

Approved, June 27, 1898.

CHAP. 517.—An Act For the protection of the people of the Indian Territory, and for other purposes.

June 28, 1898.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all criminal prosecutions in the Indian Territory against officials for embezzlement, bribery, and embracery the word "officer," when the same appears in the criminal laws heretofore extended over and put in force in said Territory, shall include all officers of the several tribes or nations of Indians in said Territory.

Post, pp. 770, 1099, 1233.

Indian Territory.
Protection of the people, etc.
"Officer," defined.

SEC. 2. That when in the progress of any civil suit, either in law or equity, pending in the United States court in any district in said Territory, it shall appear to the court that the property of any tribe is in any way affected by the issues being heard, said court is hereby authorized and required to make said tribe a party to said suit by service

Suits affecting tribal property, tribe to be made party.