

SECOND EDITION.

REVISED STATUTES

OF

THE UNITED STATES,

PASSED AT THE

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS,

1873-'74;

EMBRACING THE STATUTES OF THE UNITED STATES, GENERAL AND PERMANENT IN THEIR NATURE, IN FORCE ON THE FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE, AS REVISED AND CONSOLIDATED BY COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED UNDER AN ACT OF CONGRESS; AND AS REPRINTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, UNDER AUTHORITY OF AN ACT OF CONGRESS APPROVED THE SECOND DAY OF MARCH, IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN,

WITH

AN APPENDIX.

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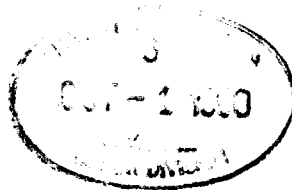
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Whereas, by section 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the preparation and publication of a new edition of the Revised Statutes of the United States," approved March 2, 1877, as amended by an act approved March 9, 1878, it is provided as follows, viz:

That said new edition shall be completed in manuscript by said commissioner by the first day of January, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, and by him presented to the Secretary of State for his examination and approval, who is hereby required to examine and compare the same, as amended, with all the amendatory acts, and, within two months after having been submitted to him, and when the same shall be completed, the said Secretary shall duly certify the same under the seal of the Secretary of State, and when printed and promulgated as herein provided the printed volume shall be legal evidence of the laws therein contained, in all the courts of the United States, and of the several States and Territories, but shall not preclude reference to, nor control, in case of any discrepancy, the effect of any original act as passed by Congress since the first day of December, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, and said Secretary shall cause fifteen thousand copies of the same to be printed and bound at the Government Printing Office, under the supervision of said commissioner, at the expense of the United States, and without unnecessary delay:

Now, therefore, I, William M. Evarts, Secretary of State, do hereby certify that I have examined and compared said new edition, as amended, with all the amendatory acts passed up to the close of the second session of the Forty-fourth Congress, and that the following is the new edition of the first volume of the "Revised Statutes of the United States," prepared, printed, and published according to the provisions of the said first-mentioned act of March 2, 1877.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of the Department of State to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this eighteenth day of February, A. D. 1878, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and second.

WM. M. EVARTS.



