

No. 11.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

February 27, 1885.

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas objects of interest to the United States require that the Senate should be convened at twelve o'clock on the fourth day of March next, to receive and act upon such communications as may be made to it on the part of the Executive:

Preamble.

Now, therefore, I, Chester A. Arthur, President of the United States, have considered it to be my duty to issue this my Proclamation, declaring that an extraordinary occasion requires the Senate of the United States to convene for the transaction of business, at the Capitol, in the City of Washington, on the fourth day of March next, at twelve o'clock at noon on that day, of which all who shall at that time be entitled to act as members of that body, are hereby required to take notice.

Special session of Senate to be convened March 4, 1885.

Given under my hand and the seal of the United States, at Washington, the twenty-seventh day of February in the year of Our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and eighty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninth.

[SEAL.]

CHESTER A. ARTHUR.

By the President:

FREDK. T. FRELINGHUYSEN,  
*Secretary of State.*

No. 12.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

March 13, 1885.

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, it is alleged that certain individuals, associations of persons and corporations are in the unauthorized possession of portions of the territory known as the Oklahoma lands within the Indian Territory, which are designated, described, and recognized by the treaties and laws of the United States and by the Executive authority thereof as Indian lands;

Preamble.

Certain persons and associations alleged to be in unauthorized possession of, or preparing to make forcible entry and settlement on the Oklahoma lands;

And whereas, it is further alleged that certain other persons or associations within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States have begun and set on foot preparations for an organized and forcible entry and settlement upon the aforesaid lands, and are now threatening such entry and occupation;

And whereas, the laws of the United States provide for the removal of all persons residing or being found upon such Indian lands and territory without permission expressly and legally obtained of the Interior Department;

And the laws of the U. S. providing for the removal of persons found without permission on Indian lands;

Now, therefore, for the purpose of protecting the public interests, as well as the interests of the Indian Nations and Tribes, and to the end that no person or persons may be induced to enter upon said territory where they will not be allowed to remain without the permission of the authority aforesaid, I, Grover Cleveland, President of the United States, do hereby warn and admonish all and every person or persons now in the occupation of such lands, and all such person or persons as are intending, preparing, or threatening to enter and settle upon the same, that they will neither be permitted to enter upon said territory, nor, if already there, to remain thereon, and that in case a due regard for and voluntary obedience to the laws and treaties of the United States, and if this admonition and warning be not sufficient to effect the purposes and intentions of the Government as herein declared, the military power of the United States will be invoked to abate all such unauthorized possession, to prevent such threatened entry and occupation, and to remove all such intruders from the said Indian lands.

Such persons warned that they will not be permitted to enter or remain on said lands.

If admonition not sufficient, military power will be invoked to abate possession and prevent or remove intruders.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninth.

[SEAL.]

GROVER CLEVELAND.

By the President:

T. F. BAYARD,  
*Secretary of State.*

#### No. 13.

April 7, 1885.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

#### A PROCLAMATION.

##### Preamble.

Whereas, satisfactory evidence has been received by me that upon vessels of the United States arriving at the Island of Trinidad, British West Indies, no duty is imposed by the ton as tonnage tax or as light money, and that no other equivalent tax on vessels of the United States is imposed at said Island by the British Government, and whereas by the provisions of section fourteen of an act approved June 26, 1884, "to remove certain burdens on the American merchant marine and encourage the American foreign carrying trade, and for other purposes," the President of the United States is authorized to suspend the collection in ports of the United States from vessels arriving from any Port in the Island of Trinidad, of so much of the duty at the rate of three cents per ton as may be in excess of the tonnage and light-house dues, or other equivalent of tax or taxes, imposed on American vessels by the Government of the foreign country in which such port is situated.

Pamphlet laws,  
48th Congress, 1st  
sess., ch. 121, p. 57.

Collection of  
tonnage duty of  
three cents per ton  
suspended as to  
vessels arriving  
from ports in  
island of Trinidad,  
British West  
Indies.

Now, therefore, I, Grover Cleveland, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Act and Section hereinbefore mentioned, do hereby declare and proclaim that on and after this seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, the collection of said tonnage duty of three cents per ton shall be suspended as regards all vessels arriving in any port of the United States from a port in the Island of Trinidad, British West Indies.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this seventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and ninth.

[SEAL.]

GROVER CLEVELAND.

By the President:

T. F. BAYARD,  
*Secretary of State.*

#### No. 14.

April 17, 1885.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

#### A PROCLAMATION.

##### Preamble.

Certain lands in  
Dakota, in the old  
Winnebago Reser-  
vation and the  
Sioux or Crow  
Creek Reservation,  
having been re-  
stored to the pub-

Whereas, by an Executive order bearing date the 27th day of February 1885, it was order that "all that tract of country in the Territory of Dakota known as the Old Winnebago reservation, and the Sioux or Crow Creek reservation, and lying on the east bank of the Missouri River, set apart and reserved by Executive order dated January 11, 1875, and which is not covered by the Executive order dated August 9, 1879, restoring certain of the lands reserved by the order of January 11, 1875,