

Done this twenty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and eighth.

By the President:

FREDK. T. FRELINGHUYSEN,
Secretary of State.

CHESTER A. ARTHUR.

Signatures.

No. 4.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Feb. 14, 1884.

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas by a memorandum of an agreement, executed at Madrid on the thirteenth day of February, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, by and between the duly authorized agents and representatives of the Government of the United States of America and of the Government of His Majesty the King of Spain, satisfactory evidence has been given to me that the Government of that country has abolished the discriminating customs duty heretofore imposed upon the products of, and articles proceeding from, the United States of America, imported into the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico, said abolition to take effect on and after the first day of March next:

Preamble.

Abolition of discriminating duties.

Cuba, Porto Rico.

Now, therefore, I, Chester A. Arthur, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by section four thousand two hundred and twenty-eight of the Revised Statutes, do hereby declare and proclaim, that on and after the said first day of March next, so long as the products of, and articles proceeding from, the United States, imported into the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico, shall be exempt from discriminating customs duties, any such duties on the products of, and articles proceeding from, Cuba and Porto Rico under the Spanish flag shall be suspended and discontinued.

R. S. 4228, 814.

Reciprocity.

In witness 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 fourteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and eighth.

CHESTER A. ARTHUR.

Signatures.

By the President:

FREDK. T. FRELINGHUYSEN,
Secretary of State.

No. 5.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

July 1, 1884.

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas it is alleged that certain persons have within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States begun and set on foot preparations for an organized and forcible possession of, and settlement upon, the lands of what is known as the Oklahoma lands, in the Indian Territory, which Territory is designated, recognized and described by the treaties and laws of the United States and by the executive authorities as Indian country, and as such is subject to occupation by Indian tribes only; and

Preamble.

Whereas the laws of the United States provide for the removal of all persons residing or being found in said Indian Territory without express permission of the Interior Department:

Warning to settlers, etc., Indian territory.

Now, therefore, for the purpose of properly protecting the interests of the Indian nations and tribes in said Territory, and that settlers may not be induced to go into a country, at great expense to themselves, where they cannot be allowed to remain, I, Chester A. Arthur, President of the United States, do admonish and warn all such persons so intending or preparing to remove upon said lands or into said Territory against any attempt to so remove or settle upon any of the lands of said Territory; and I do further warn and notify any and all such persons who do so offend, that they will be speedily and immediately removed therefrom by the proper officers of the Interior Department, and if necessary, the aid and assistance of the military forces of the United States will be invoked to remove all such intruders from the said Indian Territory.

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 first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, and [SEAL.] of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and eighth.

Signatures.

By the President:

FREDK. T. FRELINGHUYSEN,
Secretary of State.

CHESTER A. ARTHUR.

No. 6.

July 19, 1884.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

A PROCLAMATION.

Preamble.

While quarantine regulations are committed to the several States, the General Government has reposed certain powers in the President to be used at his discretion in preventing a threatened epidemic.

Epidemic.

Feeling it my duty, I hereby call upon all persons who, under existing systems in the several States, are intrusted with the execution of quarantine regulations, to be diligent and on the alert in order to prevent the introduction of the pestilence which, we all regret to learn, has made its appearance in some of the countries of Europe between which and the ports of the United States intercourse is direct and frequent.

I further advise that the cities and towns of the United States, whether on the coast or on the lines of interior communication, by sound sanitary regulations and the promotion of cleanliness, be prepared to resist the power of the disease and to mitigate its severity.

And I further direct the consuls of the United States in the ports where the pestilence has made or may make its appearance to exercise vigilance in carrying out the instructions heretofore given and in communicating to the Government of the United States any information of value relating to the progress or treatment of the disease.

Given under my hand and the seal of the United States, at the city of Washington, this nineteenth day of July, in the year of our [SEAL.] Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and ninth.

Signatures.

By the President:

FREDK. T. FRELINGHUYSEN,
Secretary of State.

CHESTER A. ARTHUR.