since the creation of the office up to the present time.

approved.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the person selected by the Commissioner, after making an abstract of all decisions with reference to the Land Office, shall prepare rules in accordance therewith, which, upon being submitted to, examined and approved by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, shall be the law and rules for the government of the Land Office.

repealed.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the abstract, with the rules attached, be placed in the Land Amended or Office, and shall be the law and rules for the guidance of the Commissioner of the Land Office and his successors until altered, amended or repealed.

Salary.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That the Commissioner of the Land Office, upon the completion and approval of the abstract of the decisions and rules of the Land Office, shall be authorized to pay to the person whom he may have selected, the sum of five hundred dollars, out of the sum hereby appropriated, and that the balance, or so much as may be required, shall be paid for the binding, transcribing, indexing and preserving such records as the Commissioner may, in his judgment, deem necessary for their preservation, to be re-bound, indexed and transcribed.

In force.

Sec. 6. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved April 4, 1870.