

PUBLIC ACTS OF THE FORTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the first session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the fifth day of December, 1881, and was adjourned without day on Tuesday, the eighth day of August, 1882.

CHESTER A. ARTHUR, President; DAVID DAVIS, President of the Senate. THOMAS F. BAYARD was elected President of the Senate *pro tempore* on the tenth day of October, 1881, at a special session of the Senate, and so acted until the thirteenth day of October, on which day DAVID DAVIS was elected President of the Senate *pro tempore*, and so acted until the end of the regular session. J. WARREN KEIFER, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAP. 1.—An act granting the franking privilege to Lucretia R. Garfield.

Dec. 20, 1881.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all mail matter carried by post to Lucretia R. Garfield, widow of the late James A. Garfield, or sent by her, under her written autograph signature, be conveyed free of postage during her natural life.

Franking privilege granted to Lucretia R. Garfield.

Approved, December 20, 1881.

CHAP. 2.—An act to amend section nine hundred and ninety-three of the Revised Statutes of the United States for the District of Columbia, and an act entitled "An act to amend section nine hundred and ninety-three of the Revised Statutes of the United States for the District of Columbia", approved January thirty-first, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

Dec. 20, 1881.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any day set apart as a legal holiday within the District of Columbia shall fall on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, then and in such event the day next succeeding shall be a holiday within the District of Columbia, and shall for all purposes of presenting for payment or acceptance, for the maturity and protest and giving notice of the dishonor of bills of exchange, bank-checks, and promissory notes or other negotiable or commercial paper, be treated and considered as is the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, and all notes, drafts, checks, or other commercial or negotiable paper falling due or maturing on such holiday shall be deemed as having matured on the Saturday previous.

Legal holidays, District of Columbia, falling on Sunday.

R. S. D. C., 993, amended.
20 Stat., 277.

Approved, December 20, 1881.

CHAP. 3.—An act to legalize the election of the Territorial legislature of New Mexico held November second, eighteen hundred and eighty, and for other purposes.

Dec. 21, 1881.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the election for members of the Territorial legislature of New Mexico held on the second day of November, eighteen hundred and eighty, is hereby declared valid, and that the legislature so elected is fully authorized to transact such business as belongs to the legislatures of any of the Territories, although not elected according to the provisions of the act of Congress approved June nineteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy eight; and that all their acts shall be held to be as legal as if the provisions of said act of

Election of legislature of New Mexico legalized.
20 Stat., 175.

Apportionment.
20 Stat., 175.

21 Stat., 154.

Proviso.

Congress had been complied with by the last legislature; and that it shall be the duty of the legislature of the said Territory to proceed at once on their assembling to apportion the representative and council districts provided for in the act of June nineteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy eight, according to the census of the population of eighteen hundred and eighty; and if such legislature shall fail to make such reapportionment, it shall be made in accordance with the provisions of an act providing for the reapportionment of the members of the legislatures in the Territories of Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming, approved June third, eighteen hundred and eighty, which is hereby made applicable to the Territory of New Mexico: *Provided*, The members constituting the board of apportionment shall assemble at the capital of such Territory and complete their work on or before the first Monday in September next.

Approved, December 21, 1881.

Jan. 27, 1882.

CHAP. 4.—An act to permit Ward Hunt, an associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, to retire.

Permission given to Ward Hunt, associate justice Supreme Court U. S., to retire.
R. S., 714, 135.
Proviso.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of section seven hundred and fourteen of the Revised Statutes be, and they are hereby, extended and made applicable to Ward Hunt, an associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, in consequence of his physical disability, notwithstanding he has not served the full term of ten years as required by the aforesaid section: *Provided*, That the said Ward Hunt shall resign the said office of associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States within thirty days after the passage of this act.

Approved, January 27, 1882.

Jan. 28, 1882.

CHAP. 5.—An act making appropriations for the payment of the final expenses of the Tenth Census.

Tenth Census.

Appropriation.

Pay of volunteer clerks.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of five hundred and forty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the completion of the work of the Tenth Census; and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to compensate those persons who have rendered services as volunteers in connection therewith since the fifteenth of June, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, at the rates of compensation received by such persons severally prior to said date.

Approved, January 28, 1882.

Feb. 8, 1882.

CHAP. 7.—An act authorizing and directing the Architect of the Capitol to make certain changes and repairs in the House wing of the Capitol

Bath-rooms, Capitol, removal of.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Architect of the Capitol be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to remove the bath-rooms from their present position adjoining the House restaurant to the rooms in the southeast corner of the basement, at the foot of the elevator, and to make needful alterations and repairs necessitated by such removal, and the space now used as bath rooms shall be added to the restaurant and reserved exclusively for the use of members of Congress. The neces-