

September 26, 1890.

CHAP. 949.—An act establishing a free public bathing beach on the Potomac River near Washington Monument.

Bathing beach established on Potomac River, Washington, D. C.

Location.

Purpose, etc.

Permission to use.

Appropriation, available.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized and permitted to construct a beach and dressing houses upon the east shore of the tidal reservoir against the Washington Monument grounds, and to maintain the same for the purpose of free public bathing, under such regulations as they shall deem to be for the public welfare; and the Secretary of War is requested to permit such use of the public domain as may be required to accomplish the objects above set forth.

SEC. 2. That the sum of three thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, from the revenues of the District of Columbia, to be immediately available for the purposes of this act.

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CHAP. 950.—An act for the relief of certain property owners in the City of Washington, District of Columbia.

Washington, D. C. Owners of square east of square 643 may build siding into it from Baltimore and Potomac Railroad.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the property owners of square east of square six hundred and forty-three be, and they are hereby, granted the privilege of constructing, using, and maintaining a railroad siding to and into said square, connecting with the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad at a point on Virginia Avenue between the intersection of the siding into square east of square six hundred and forty-two and the intersection of the north siding into square west of square six hundred and ninety-five.

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CHAP. 951.—An act to grant school district numbered seven of the township of Dearborn, Wayne County, Michigan, certain lots of land for school purposes.

Public lands. Certain lands granted for school purposes to school district numbered seven, Dearborn, Mich. Description.

Location.

Dearborn Arsenal and unsold grounds.

Reappraisal and sale.

Notice.

Proviso.

Sale of subdivisions, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following-described lands, situate in the township of Dearborn, county of Wayne, and State of Michigan, to wit: Lots sixty-eight, sixty-nine, seventy, seventy-one, seventy two, ninety-five, ninety-six, ninety-eight, ninety-nine are hereby granted to school district numbered seven of said township, to be used for school purposes, the said lands being bounded by Center street, Mason street, Morley avenue, and Garrison street, according to the plat of the United States military reservation in said township.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior shall cause the unsold portion of the grounds, and the building thereon known as the Dearborn Arsenal, in the State of Michigan, except the lots named in section one of this act, to be reappraised and sold for cash, at not less than the appraised value, to the highest bidder, after giving not less than ninety days' notice of such sale in three of the most prominent newspapers published in said State: *Provided,* That each subdivision, together with any buildings, building materials, or other property thereon, shall be appraised and offered separately, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, after which any unsold subdivision or subdivisions, together with any buildings, building materials or other property thereon, shall be subject to sale at private entry for the appraised value, at the proper land office.

SEC. 3. That the sum of five hundred dollars, to be immediately available, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to carry into effect the provisions of this act.

Appropriation,

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CHAP. 998.—An act to amend the Articles of War relative to the punishment on conviction by courts-martial.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever by any of the Articles of War for the government of the Army the punishment on conviction of any military offense is left to the discretion of the court martial the punishment therefor shall not, in time of peace, be in excess of a limit which the President may prescribe.

Courts martial, Army. Discretionary punishment limited. R. S., Title XIV, chap. 5, p. 229.

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CHAP. 999.—An act to provide an American register for the Steamer Neptuno.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built steamer Neptuno, purchased and wholly owned by American citizens, and repaired by them, to be registered as a vessel of the United States.

"Neptuno." American register granted to foreign-built steamer.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to authorize and direct the inspection of said steam-vessel, steam-boiler, steam-pipes, and the appurtenances of said boiler, and cause to be granted the proper and usual certificate issued to steam-vessels of the merchant marine, without reference to the fact that said steam-boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances were not constructed pursuant to the laws of the United States, and were not constructed of iron stamped pursuant to said laws; and the tests to be applied to the inspection of said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances will be the same in all respects as to strength and safety as are required in the inspection of boilers constructed in the United States for marine purposes, save the fact that said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances not being constructed pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the United States, and are of unstamped iron, shall not be an obstacle to the granting of the usual certificate if said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances are found to be of sufficient strength and safety.

Inspection, etc.

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CHAP. 1000.—An act for the relief of George M. Wheeler.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and is hereby, authorized to nominate and, by and with the advice of the Senate, to appoint Captain George M. Wheeler, United States Army, retired, a major on the retired list of the Army, with the rank and pay of that grade from the twenty-third of July, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, being the date on which he would have been eligible to promotion but for his retirement as captain on June fifteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight.

George M. Wheeler. To be appointed and retired a major in the Army.

Rank and pay.

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