

of those buried therein, with such history of each as can be obtained, and to see that it is never used for any other purpose than as a cemetery for the graves of men who were in the military or naval service of the Confederate States of America: *Provided*, That organized bodies of ex-Confederates or individuals shall have free and unrestricted entry to said cemetery for the purposes of burying worthy ex-Confederates, for decorating the graves, and for all other purposes which they have heretofore enjoyed, all under proper and reasonable regulations and restrictions made by the Secretary of War.

*Proviso.*  
Use by ex-Confederates.

Attached to national cemetery.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of War, under this Act, is directed to take the necessary steps for the proper transfer of the cemetery to the Government, and when the same has been duly completed to put it in charge of the keeper of the national cemetery at Springfield, Missouri, requiring him to exercise the same care in the preservation, beautifying, and care taking generally as is done in regard to the national cemetery. Also that a suitable gate or entry way be made in the stone wall which now divides the two cemeteries, so that persons may readily pass from one to the other. Whatever additional funds may be required for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act shall be paid out of any fund which may be available for the maintenance of national cemeteries.

Approved, March 3, 1911.

March 3, 1911.  
[S. 5843.]

**CHAP. 212.**—An Act To authorize the extension of Van Buren Street northwest.

[Public, No. 456.]  
District of Columbia.  
Van Buren Street,  
northwest.  
Condemning land  
for extending.  
Vol. 34, p. 151.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That under and in accordance with the provisions of subchapter one of chapter fifteen of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia, within six months after the passage of this Act, the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to institute in the supreme court of the District of Columbia a proceeding in rem to condemn the land that may be necessary for the extension of Van Buren Street, northwest, from Piney Branch Road to its present western terminus, East of Third Street, northwest, with a width of sixty feet according to the plans for the permanent system of highways of the District of Columbia: *Provided, however*, That the entire amount found to be due and awarded by the jury in said proceeding as damages for and in respect of the land to be condemned for said extension, plus the costs and expenses of said proceeding, shall be assessed by the jury as benefits: *And provided further*, That nothing in said subchapter one of chapter fifteen of said code shall be construed to authorize the jury to assess less than the aggregate amount of the damages awarded for and in respect of the land to be condemned and the costs and expenses of the proceeding hereunder.

*Provisos.*  
Damages assessed as benefits.

Minimum assessment.

Appropriation for expenses.

Payment of awards.

SEC. 2. That there is hereby authorized to be expended, from the revenues of the District of Columbia, an amount sufficient to pay the necessary costs and expenses of the condemnation proceedings taken pursuant hereto and for the payment of amounts awarded as damages; to be repaid to the District of Columbia from the assessments for benefits and covered into the Treasury to the credit of the revenues of the District of Columbia.

Approved, March 3, 1911.

**CHAP. 213.**—An Act To remove cloud from the title of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section twenty-three, township forty-seven, range twenty-three west of the fifth principal meridian, except ten acres off of the north side thereof, in Pettis County, Missouri, and to release the title of the United States therein to George R. Shelley, his heirs and assigns.

March 3, 1911.  
[S. 6059.]

[Public, No. 457.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That any title to the following-described real estate, situated in the county of Pettis, State of Missouri, to wit, the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section twenty-three, in township forty-seven, of range twenty-three west of the fifth principal meridian, except ten acres off of the north side thereof, that the United States of America may have acquired in and to said land by virtue of sale made under execution issued from the clerk's office of the circuit court of the United States for the western district of Missouri on a judgment rendered in the district court of the United States for the western district of Missouri on the ninth day of March, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-three, in favor of the United States of America and against Tyre M. Berry, William D. Berry, and Milton D. Berry, which said execution was dated the twenty-third day of July, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-three, the deed conveying said land to the United States of America, bearing date the first day of September, anno Domini, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, and filed for record in the office of the recorder of deeds of Pettis County, State of Missouri, on the twenty-second day of September, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-three, and recorded therein in Book U, at page twenty-five, be, and the same is hereby, released to George R. Shelley, of the county of Pettis and State of Missouri, his heirs and assigns.

George R. Shelley.  
United States title to certain lands in Pettis county, Missouri, released to.

Approved, March 3, 1911.

**CHAP. 214.**—An Act For the relief of William H. Walsh.

March 3, 1911.  
[S. 9271.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to nominate, and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint William H. Walsh, midshipman, United States Navy, an ensign in the United States Navy, and place him upon the retired list as such with three-quarters pay of his grade: *Provided,* That the said William H. Walsh shall not, by the passage of this Act, be entitled to back pay or allowances.

[Public, No. 458.]

Navy.  
William H. Walsh may be appointed ensign, retired.

*Proriso.*  
No back pay, etc.

Approved, March 3, 1911.

**CHAP. 215.**—An Act To authorize additional aids to navigation in the Lighthouse Establishment, and for other purposes.

March 3, 1911.  
[S. 10177.]

[Public, No. 459.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of Commerce and Labor be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish and provide the following additional aids to navigation in the Lighthouse Establishment, under the Lighthouse Service, in accordance with the respective limits of cost respectively set forth, which shall in no case be exceeded:

Aids to navigation. Additional, authorized.

To construct a power house and foundry and complete the equipment, wiring, and so forth, of the power plant at the general lighthouse depot, Staten Island, New York, at a cost not to exceed thirty thousand dollars.

Staten Island depot, N. Y.  
Power house, etc.  
Post, p. 1430.