

ascertain the facts upon applications for remission under this act in such manner and under such regulations as shall be by him prescribed, and all fines, penalties, and forfeitures, recovered by virtue of this act, shall, after deducting all proper costs and charges, be disposed of and applied as provided in the ninety-first section of the act entitled "An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage," approved on the second of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.

APPROVED, June 27, 1864.

Facts, how may be ascertained.

Fines, &c., how disposed of.

1799, ch. 22.  
Vol. i. p. 697.

CHAP. CLXV. — *An Act in Relation to the Circuit Court in and for the District of Wisconsin, and for other Purposes.*

June 27, 1864.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to enable the district courts of the United States to issue execution and other final process in certain cases," approved March three, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.*

Repeal of act 1863, ch. 113.  
Vol. xii. p. 807.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That in all cases, wherein the district courts of the United States within and for the several districts of Texas, Florida, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, and Kansas had rendered judgments or decrees prior to the passage of an act approved July fifteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, creating circuit courts for said districts, which cases might have been brought, and could have been originally cognizable in a circuit court, the original papers and all other papers now on file in the district courts aforesaid, shall be transferred into the clerk's office of the circuit court for the district in which said causes were heard and determined. And it shall be the duty of the district-court clerks of said districts, respectively, to have said papers so removed. And it shall also be the duty of said district-court clerks to transfer to the offices of the circuit-court clerks aforesaid the books of records and journals of the district courts aforesaid, in which are any entries, orders, or proceedings affecting, or in any manner relating to, cases which were of circuit-court cognizance, or which might have been presented in a circuit court, after having first copied into a book for that purpose provided, all entries, orders, or other proceedings, which may be found in said books, journals, or records relating in any manner to cases which were not of circuit-court cognizance, and which could not have been prosecuted in a circuit court.*

Papers in cases in certain district courts to be transferred to circuit courts.

1862, ch. 178.  
Vol. xii. p. 576.

Proviso.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted, That for the necessary costs and expenses of this transfer of books and papers, and for the expense of procuring books to copy the entries and orders above mentioned, and for the copying of said record entries from the original book into the new one, at the same rate of compensation now allowed to clerks of courts for copies from their records, the clerks of the district courts shall be paid, out of any money in the treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, upon the certificate of the judge of the district court.*

Cost of transfer and fees.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted, That the transcripts thus made into a new book, after said book shall have been certified by the clerk to be full and true copies from the original book, shall have the same force and effect as records as the originals; and that the clerks of the circuit courts aforesaid shall be the custodians of the books and papers transferred to their offices, and their certificate of a transcript of any of said books or papers shall be received in evidence with the like effect as if made by the clerk of the court in which the proceedings were had.*

Transcripts certified to, to have same effect as originals.

Clerks to have custody of papers.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted, That the terms of the circuit and district courts of the United States for said district of Wisconsin shall hereafter be held as follows: at the city of Milwaukee, in said district, on the second Monday of April and the second Monday of September, and at the city of Madison, in said district, on the first Monday of January in each*

Terms of circuit and district courts in Wisconsin.

Pending process. year, respectively. And all writs, process, and proceedings returnable to the terms of either of said courts, as now fixed by law, shall be deemed returnable, and shall be continued to the terms of said courts, respectively, as fixed by this act: *Provided*, That all executions, processes, or orders issued from the district court of any district in this act mentioned, in cases transferred to the circuit court, and in part executed, shall be regarded as having been issued from the circuit court to which each particular case is transferred, and shall be returned thereto. And no writ of execution or other final process, or power exercised, or proceeding had in accordance with law to enforce any judgment or decree shall be affected by reason of the transfer directed by this act.

APPROVED, June 27, 1864.

June 28, 1864. CHAP. CLXVI. — *An Act to repeal the Fugitive Slave Act of eighteen hundred and fifty, and all Acts and Parts of Acts for the Rendition of Fugitive Slaves.*

Repeal of acts for the rendition of fugitive slaves. 1793, ch. 7, §§ 3, 4, Vol. i. p. 302. 1850, ch. 60. Vol. ix. p. 462.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That sections three and four of an act entitled "An act respecting fugitives from justice and persons escaping from the service of their masters," passed February twelve, seventeen hundred and ninety-three, and an act entitled "An act to amend, and supplementary to, the act entitled 'An act respecting fugitives from justice, and persons escaping from the service of their masters,' passed February twelve, seventeen hundred and ninety-three," passed September, eighteen hundred and fifty, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, June 28, 1864.

June 28, 1864. CHAP. CLXVII. — *An Act to provide for the Improvement of the Grounds of the Government Hospital for the Insane by an Exchange of Land.*

Exchange of land for government hospital for the insane.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to deed to John Perkins a portion of the extreme south point or angle of the farm of the Government Hospital for the Insane, in exchange for two acres of land, more or less, now owned and occupied by the said Perkins, and situated near the middle of that side of the hospital farm which fronts upon the public roads: *Provided*, That not more than three acres are given for one contained in the last described piece of land belonging to the said Perkins: *And provided, further*, That the said Perkins is able to give, and does give, to the United States a good and sufficient title to the piece of land now owned and occupied by him.

Expenses of moving dwelling-house, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Interior is further authorized to defray the expenses of moving the dwelling-house on the present Perkins tract to the tract exchanged for it, and of digging and walling a well, out of any appropriation already made, or that may be made, for enclosing the grounds of the hospital.

APPROVED, June 28, 1864.

June 28, 1864. CHAP. CLXVIII. — *An Act to provide for the Repair and Preservation of certain Public Works of the United States.*

Appropriation to preserve certain public works on northern lakes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That there be, and hereby is, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, in protecting the commerce of the lakes by causing the public works connected with the harbors on Lakes Champlain, Ontario, Erie, St. Clair, Huron, Michigan, and Superior, to be repaired and made useful for purposes of commerce and navigation, so far as the same, in his judgment, may be necessary.