PUBLIC ACTS OF THE THIRTY-NINTH 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 fourth day of December, A.D. 1865, and ended on Saturday, the twenty-eighth day of July, A.D. 1866.

ANDREW JOHNSON, President. LA FAYETTE S. FOSTER, President of the Senate. LA FAYETTE S. FOSTER was elected President of the Senate pro tempore on the seventh day of March, and so acted until the end of the Session. SCHUYLER COLFAX, Speaker of the House of Representatives.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if at any time it shall occur that all of the names in the box provided for in the fourth section of the act to which this is an amendment shall have been drawn out of the same at any term of the court before the first day of February next ensuing, the court, or any judge thereof, may order the marshal to summon from the body of Washington County twenty-three citizens, having the qualifications of jurors, as provided in said act, to serve as grand jurors, and twenty-six citizens, having such qualifications, to act as petit jurors, or either, as may be needed at any subsequent term of the court to be held between the time of the happening of the contingency aforesaid and the first day of February then next ensuing; and vacancies in either grand or petit jurors so ordered to be summoned as aforesaid may be filled by other persons summoned by the marshal upon the order of the court.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That whereas all the names in the jury-box provided for by the fourth section of the act to which this is an amendment were, at the late term of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, sitting for the trial of crimes and misdemeanors, drawn from said box, the judge assigned to hold the December term of said court for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-five, be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to order the marshal to summon from the body of Washington County twenty-three citizens, having the qualifications of jurors, as provided in the act to which this is an amendment, to act as grand jurors for said term of said court, and twenty-six citizens, having such qualifications, to act as petit jurors for said term, and that vacancies in said grand and petit jurors may be filled as provided for in the first section of this act.

APPROVED, December 18, 1865.

CHAP. II. — An Act to prevent the Spread of foreign Diseases among the Cattle of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the importation of cattle be, and hereby is, prohibited. And it shall be the duty of the Secretary
of the Treasury to make such regulations as will give this law full and immediate effect, and to send copies of them to the proper officers in this country, and to all officers or agents of the United States in foreign countries.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That when the President shall give thirty days' notice, by proclamation, that no further danger is to be apprehended from the spread of foreign infectious or contagious diseases among cattle, this law shall be of no force, and cattle may be imported in the same way as before its passage.

Approved, December 18, 1865.

Dec. 19, 1865.

CHAP. III.—An Act making Appropriation for furnishing and repairing the President’s House.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for furnishing the President’s house and repairing the same.

Approved, December 19, 1865.

January 15, 1866.

CHAP. V.—An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to appoint Assistant Assessors of Internal Revenue.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to appoint any assistant assessors of internal revenue now provided by law.

Approved, January 15, 1866.

February 7, 1866.

CHAP. VI.—An Act making Appropriations for the Payment of invalid and other Pensions of the United States for the Year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and additional Appropriations for the Year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.

Appropriations for pensions.

Invalid.

For revolutionary pensions, and pensions of widows, children, mothers, and sisters of soldiers, as provided for by acts of March eighteenth, eighteen hundred and eighteen, May fifteenth, eighteen hundred and twenty-eight; June seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-six; July fourth, eighteen hundred and thirty-six; July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight; March third, eighteen hundred and forty-two; June seventh, eighteen hundred and forty-four; February second, March third, eighteen hundred and forty-five; June seventh, eighteen hundred and forty-six; July fourth, eighteen hundred and forty-seven; and July fourteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and for compensation to pension agents and expenses of agencies, nine millions eight hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the following [sum] be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: