sary expenses, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the
 treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twelve thousand dollars,
to be paid only on the order of the Secretary of the Interior: Provided,
That six thousand dollars of said appropriation is hereby declared to be
the sum that shall be assessed and paid by the cities of Washington and
Georgetown, and the county of Washington; and it shall be the duty of
the proper authorities of the city of Washington to raise, by tax or other-
wise, and pay into the treasury of the United States, at or before the
time when the premises shall be ready for occupancy by the house of
correction, the sum of four thousand five hundred dollars; and it shall be
the duty of the proper authorities of the county of Washington to raise and
pay in like manner the sum of one thousand dollars; and it shall be the
duty of the proper authorities of the city of Georgetown to raise and
pay in like manner the sum of five hundred dollars; and in case of de-
fault of such payment into the treasury of the United States by either of
said cities or by the said county of Washington, the party so making de-
fault shall be liable to summary proceedings before the supreme court of
the District of Columbia, at the instance of the United States attorney
for said District, to enforce the same, with interest thereon after the date
of default.

SEC. 15. And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect from
the date of its passage.

Approved, July 25, 1866.

CHAP. CCXXXIX. — An Act to incorporate “The Soldiers' and Sailors' Union” of
Washington, D. C. — July 26, 1866.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That H. A. Hall, W. C. Porter,
Will A. Short, James Cross, J. H. Nightingale, D. S. Curtiss, L.
Edwin Dudley, G. M. Van Buren, Wm. S. Morse, Lawrence Wilson,
Wm. L. Bramhall, F. E. Drake, B. P. Cutter, W. H. H. Bates, H. N.
Rothery, S. G. Merrill, Chas. A. Appel, O. A. Lukenbaugh, J. S. Fir-
man, John H. Simpson, George W. De Costa, L. J. Bryant, J. H. Gray,
Lyman S. Emery, and A. I. Bennett, and their successors in office, be,
and they are hereby, incorporated and made a body politic and corporate,
by the name of the “Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Union of the City of Washing-
ton, D. C.,” and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be im-
plicated in any court of law or equity, and may have and use a common
seal, and exercise the powers, rights, and privileges incident to such cor-
porations.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said corporation shall be
capable of acquiring, receiving, holding, and conveying real and personal
estate, not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars in value; which es-
tate shall never be divided among the members of the corporation, but
shall descend to their successors for the promotion of the interests and
general welfare of the soldiers and sailors of this corporation, who have
served in the Union army or navy during the late war for the suppression
of the rebellion, and the relief and protection of their widows and or-
phans.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this corporation shall have
power to alter and amend its constitution and by-laws: Provided, That
they do not conflict with the laws of the United States or the laws of the
corporation of the city of Washington, D. C.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That said corporation shall not exer-
cise banking privileges, or issue or put in circulation any bank note,
paper, token, scrip, or device, to be used as currency.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That Congress reserves the right to
alter or repeal this act at any time.

Approved, July 25, 1866.