to be safely transported and kept until after final discharge from custody or imprisonment for or on account of such crimes or offences, and for a reasonable time thereafter. And it shall be lawful for the President, or such person as he may empower for that purpose, to employ such portion of the land or naval forces of the United States, or of the militia thereof, as may be necessary for the safe-keeping and protection of the accused as aforesaid.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That any person duly appointed as agent to receive in behalf of the United States the delivery by a foreign government of any person accused of crime committed within the jurisdiction of the United States and to convey him to the place of his trial, shall be, and hereby is, vested with all the powers of a marshal of the United States in the several districts through which it may be necessary for him to pass with such prisoner, so far as such power is requisite for his safe-keeping.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That if any person or persons shall knowingly and wilfully obstruct, resist, or oppose such agent in the execution of his duties, or shall rescue, or attempt to rescue, such prisoner, whether in the custody of the agent aforesaid, or of any marshal, sheriff, jailer, or other officer or person to whom his custody may have lawfully been committed, every person so knowingly and wilfully offending in the premises shall, on conviction thereof before the district or circuit court of the United States for the district in which the offence was committed, be fined not exceeding one thousand dollars, and imprisoned not exceeding one year.

APPROVED, March 3, 1869.

March 3, 1869.

CHAP. CXLII. — An Act to provide for the Execution of Judgments in Capital Cases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever a judgment of death has been, or shall hereafter be, rendered in any court of the United States, and the case has been, or shall hereafter be, carried to the Supreme Court of the United States by appeal or writ of error, in pursuance of law, it shall be the duty of the court rendering such judgment, by order of court, to postpone the execution thereof from time to time and from term to term until the mandate of the Supreme Court in such case shall have been received and entered upon the records of the lower court; and in case such judgment is affirmed by the Supreme Court, it shall be the duty of the court rendering the original judgment to appoint a day for the execution thereof; and in case of reversal by the Supreme Court, such further proceedings shall be had in the lower court as the Supreme Court may direct.

APPROVED, March 3, 1869.

March 3, 1869.

CHAP. CXLIII. — An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act granting Lands to the State of Oregon to aid in the Construction of a military Road from Eugene City to the eastern Boundary of said State."

Whereas by an act granting lands to the State of Oregon to aid in the construction of a military road from Eugene City to the eastern boundary of said State, approved July second, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and whereas the time designated for the completion of said road expires on the second day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time for the completion of said road be, and hereby is, extended to the second day of July, eighteen hundred and seventy-two.

APPROVED, March 3, 1869.