Perjury. penalties of perjury prescribed by said act shall apply also to any false affirmation taken thereunder.

Approved, February 1, 1870.

Feb. 2, 1870. CHAP. XIII. — An Act giving the Consent of the United States to the Erection of a Bridge across the Willamette River, in Oregon, from the City of Portland to the east Bank of said River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of the United States is hereby given to the corporation of the city of Portland, in the State of Oregon, to erect, or cause to be erected, a bridge, with diverging roadways and footways and double draws, over and across the Willamette river, between the city of Portland and the east bank of said river, at any time within six years after the passage of this act: Provided, That the said bridge shall be so constructed and built as not to obstruct, impair, or injuriously modify the navigation of the river; and in order to secure a compliance with these conditions, the corporation, association, or company proposing to erect the same, previous to commencing the construction of the bridge, shall submit to the Secretary of War a plan of the bridge, with a detailed map of the river at the proposed site of the bridge and for the distance of a mile above and below the site exhibiting the depths and currents at all points of the same, together with all other information touching said bridge and river as may be deemed requisite by the Secretary of War to determine whether the said bridge, when built, will conform to the prescribed conditions of the act, not to obstruct, impair, or injuriously modify the navigation of the river: Provided further, That the Secretary of War may detail an officer to superintend the survey and examination of said river with a view to said location.

Secretory of War to notify corporation when, &c.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed, upon receiving said plan and map and other information, and upon being satisfied that a bridge built on such plain and at said locality will conform to the prescribed conditions of this act, not to obstruct, impair, or injuriously modify the navigation of said river, to notify the said corporation, association, or company proposing to erect the same that he approves the same; and upon receiving such notification, the said corporation, association, or company may proceed to the erection of said bridge, conforming strictly to the approved plan and location. But until the Secretary of War approves the plan and location of said bridge, and notify the said corporation, association, or company of the same, the bridge shall not be built or commenced.

Tolls and regulations for use of the bridge.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said corporation of the city of Portland is hereby authorized and empowered, so far as Congress has the power to grant the same, to make such rules and regulations for the care of said bridge, and for the regulation and collection of tolls for crossing on the same, as they shall deem just and reasonable.

Approved, February 2, 1870.

Feb. 5, 1870. CHAP. XIV. — An Act to establish a Land District in Wyoming Territory, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the public lands of the United States in the Territory of Wyoming shall constitute a land district, to be called the district of Wyoming, the office for which shall be established at such place, within said district, as the President of the United States may from time to time direct; and the pre-emption laws and all other laws not locally inapplicable are hereby extended to said Territory.
SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States be, and is hereby, authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a surveyor-general for Wyoming, with a salary of three thousand dollars per annum, who shall locate his office at such place as the Secretary of the Interior shall from time to time direct, and whose duties, powers, obligations, responsibilities, and allowances for clerk hire, office rent, fuel, and incidental expenses, shall be the same as those of the surveyor-general of Colorado, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, and such instructions as he may from time to time deem advisable to give him.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the President be, and hereby is, authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a register and receiver for said district, who shall respectively be required to reside at the site of said office, and who shall have the same powers, perform the same duties, and receive the same compensation as are now, and may hereafter be, prescribed by law for other land offices of the United States.

APPROVED, February 5, 1870.

CHAP. XVII. — An Act for the temporary Relief of the poor and destitute People in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, instructed to make such orders as may be necessary for the temporary relief, in cases of absolute necessity, of the poor of the cities of Washington and Georgetown until otherwise ordered by the President of the United States; and that the amount thus to be expended shall not exceed the sum of thirty thousand dollars; which sum is hereby appropriated for that purpose out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: Provided, That relief shall be afforded by the Secretary of War under this resolution only upon the recommendation of the Washington Association for the Improvement of the Condition of the Poor, or the National Freedmen's Relief Association, or the Industrial Home School. That the Secretary of War may agree with the benevolent associations aforesaid, or with other persons, to furnish the supplies necessary to carry this act into effect, whenever, in his opinion, the same can be furnished at a cheaper rate than the same can be done otherwise.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to furnish, upon the recommendation of the Washington Association for the Improvement of the Condition of the Poor, or the National Freedmen's Relief Association, or the Industrial Home School, condemned clothing and other articles, not suited for army purposes, for distribution by them among the poor and destitute in the District of Columbia, not to exceed ten thousand dollars, and the persons charged with the expenditure of the aforesaid appropriation shall, so far as may be practicable, provide labor and materials for labor, so as to promote and improve the condition of the poor.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the use of the buildings in Judiciary Square, occupied as storehouses by the medical department of the army, be granted, until otherwise ordered by the President, to the Women's Christian Association of Washington, for the purpose of enabling said association to give employment to indigent women.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the parties hereinbefore named to whom the distribution of the said fund is intrusted shall make report to Congress on the first Monday in December next of their action, when the sum hereby appropriated shall have been expended.

APPROVED, February 15, 1870.