Section 148 not repealed, and prosecutions under it not affected hereby.

Provided, That nothing in this section shall be construed as repealing the one hundred and forty-eighth section of the act of which this act is amendatory, or to affect any indictments heretofore found for offenses against the same, but the said indictments may be prosecuted to judgment as if this section had not been enacted.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLIX. — An Act to establish a Board of local Inspectors of Steam-vessels for the Customs District of Michigan, in the State of Michigan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be a local board of inspectors designated and appointed for the customs district of Michigan, in the State of Michigan, and the inspector of hulls and the inspector of boilers, composing the said board, shall receive a salary of nine hundred dollars a year each.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLX. — An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the Redemption and Sale of Lands held by the United States under the several Acts levying direct Taxes, and for other Purposes."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section six of an act entitled "An act to provide for the redemption and sale of lands held by the United States under the several acts levying direct taxes, and for other purposes," approved June eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, be amended so that it will read as follows:

"SEC. 6. That all money derived from the sale of school-farm lands and bonds purchased therefor to be turned over to the Secretary of the Treasury and invested, under the provisions of section eight of an act entitled 'An act to continue in force and to amend an act entitled "An act to establish a bureau for the relief of freedmen and refugees and for other purposes,"' approved July sixteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six; and all bonds purchased with the proceeds of such sales, and all moneys derived from the leases of said school-farm lands by the direct-tax commissioners for the district of South Carolina, under the instructions of President Lincoln, dated September sixteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, shall be turned over to the Secretary of the Treasury by the officers of the government, in whose custody said money and bonds may be; and said moneys shall be by said Secretary invested in bonds of the United States, and with said aforesaid bonds shall be by him retained as a fund for the use and support of free public schools in the parishes of Saint Helena and Saint Luke, South Carolina, in equal parts, the interest of which shall be expended by the said Secretary invested in the said parishes by authority of said State, if such school shall exist, otherwise at the discretion of the commissioners hereinafter named; and such expenditures shall be made under the direction and control of a special board of three commissioners, who shall be appointed by and act under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, and removable at his discretion, and shall be duly sworn that they will faithfully discharge their duties as such commissioners, and shall give such good and sufficient bonds therefor as said Secretary shall require, and who shall not receive more than one hundred dollars per year each for their services; also, that the acts of the direct-tax commissioners for the district of South Carolina, heretofore performed in accordance with the instructions of Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States of America, to the direct-tax commissioners for the district of South Carolina, dated September sixteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, and the same are hereby confirmed, so far as they relate to the renting of the school-farms, so called in the said parishes, and the disbursement of the proceeds thereof."
This act shall be subject to amendment or repeal at the pleasure of Congress.  
Approved, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLXI. — An Act for the Creation of a Court for the Adjudication and Disposition of certain Moneys received into the Treasury under an Award made by the Tribunal of Arbitration constituted by Virtue of the first Article of the Treaty concluded at Washington the eighth of May, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-one, between the United States of America and the Queen of Great Britain, 

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That immediately upon the payment of the sum of money awarded to the United States by the tribunal of arbitration at Geneva to be paid by the government of Great Britain the same shall be paid into the treasury and used to redeem, so far as it may the public debt of the United States. And the amount equal to the debt so redeemed shall be invested in the five per cent. registered bonds of the United States to be held subject to the future disposition of Congress. 
Approved, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLXII. — An Act to place colored Persons who enlisted in the Army on the same Footing as other Soldiers as to Bounty and Pension. 

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all colored persons who enlisted in the army during the late war, and who are now prohibited from receiving bounty and pension on account of being borne on the rolls of their regiments as “slaves,” shall be placed on the same footing as to bounty and pension, as though they had not been slaves at the date of their enlistment.

Approved, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLXIII. — An Act fixing the Time of holding the Fall Term of the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska. 

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fall term of the United States district court for the district of Nebraska shall hereafter be held at Omaha upon the first Wednesday after the second Tuesday in the month of October of each year.

Approved, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLXIV. — An Act creating the Collection District of Southern Oregon. 

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the ports, harbors, bays, rivers, and waters of the main land of all that portion of the State of Oregon lying south and east of the north bank of the Siuslaw river, shall constitute a collection district by the name of the southern collection district of Oregon established; and a port of entry shall be, and hereby is, established for said district at Coos bay, in Coos county, of said State; and a collector of customs shall be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to reside at Empire city.

Sec. 2. That ports of delivery shall be, and are hereby, established in the collection district aforesaid, at Ellingsburgh, at the mouth of Rogue river, Port Orford, out at Gardner on the Umpqua river; and the collector of customs of said district is hereby authorized to appoint, with the approbation of the Secretary of the Treasury, three deputy collectors, to be stationed at the ports of delivery aforesaid.

Sec. 3. That the collector of said district shall be allowed a compensation of one thousand dollars per annum, with the fees allowed by law, and deputies.