

recovery of a tract of land claimed to be a part of the commons of Carondelet, instituted by the city of Carondelet: Therefore

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That jurisdiction be, and hereby is, granted to the court of claims to hear and determine said cause, and the matters in controversy therein, subject to the right of appeal by either party to the Supreme Court of the United States; and that the depositions heretofore taken in said cause may be read at the trial thereof with the same effect as if taken after the passage of this act.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

March 3, 1873. CHAP. CCCXIV. — *An Act to place at the Disposal of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue certain Copies of the new Compilation of Internal-revenue Laws.*

Copies of the new compilation of the internal revenue laws, how to be distributed. 1872, ch. 315, §45. *Ante*, p. 258.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That of the seven thousand copies of the new compilation of internal-revenue laws ordered by section forty-five of the act of June sixth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, to be printed for the use of Congress, eight hundred shall be for the use of the Senate, twelve hundred shall be for the use of the House of Representatives, and five thousand shall be for the use of the commissioner of internal revenue

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

March 3, 1873. CHAP. CCCXV. — *An Act authorizing the Kansas Valley National Bank of Topeka, in the State of Kansas, to change its Name to the First National Bank of Topeka.*

Kansas Valley National Bank of Topeka may change its name. Proceedings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Kansas Valley National Bank of Topeka, in the State of Kansas is hereby authorized to change its name to the First National Bank of Topeka, whenever the stockholders representing three-fourths of the capital of said bank, at a meeting called for that purpose, determine to make such change, the president and cashier shall execute a certificate, under the corporate seal of the bank, specifying such determination, and shall cause the same to be recorded in the office of the comptroller of the currency, and thereupon such change of name shall be effected, and the operations of discount and deposit of said bank shall be carried on under the name of the First National Bank of Topeka.

Debts, &c., to devolve upon the bank with new name.

SEC. 2. That all the debts, demands, liabilities, rights, privileges, and powers of the Kansas Valley National Bank of Topeka shall devolve upon and inure to the First National Bank of Topeka.

Liabilities not affected.

SEC. 3. That nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as in any manner to release the said bank from any liability, or affect any actions or proceeding in law in which the said bank may be a party or interested; and when such change shall have been determined upon, as aforesaid, notice thereof, and of such change shall be published in at least two weekly newspapers in the county of Shawnee, State of Kansas, for not less than four successive weeks.

Notice of change to be published.

When act takes effect.

SEC. 4. That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

March 3, 1873. CHAP. CCCXVI. — *An Act to provide for a Board of Commissioners to report a System of Irrigation for the San Joaquin, Sacramento and Tulare in California.*

Board of commissioners to report a system of irrigation for the San Joaquin, &c., valleys in California.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to assign two engineers of the army and one officer of the coast-survey, now stationed on the Pacific coast, for the purpose of examining and reporting on a system of irrigation in the San Joaquin, Tulare, and Sacramento Valleys of the State of California; and for that

purpose the officers so assigned may associate with themselves the chief of the geological survey of California, and also one other civilian distinguished for his knowledge of the subject.

SEC. 2. That these five persons shall constitute a board, with power to fill vacancies, whose duty it shall be to make a full report to the President on the best system of irrigation for said valleys, with all necessary plans, details, engineering, statistical, and otherwise, which report the President shall transmit to Congress at its next session, with such recommendations as he shall think proper.

Board to consist of whom; their powers and duties.  
Report

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War shall furnish subsistence and transportation for the board while in the field, and the compensation of the members of the board who are not in the service of the United States shall not exceed two thousand dollars each, but the other members of the board shall receive no additional compensation for their services.

Subsistence, transportation, and compensation.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCXVII. — *An Act for the temporary Relief of the Indians at Camp McDermit, in Humboldt County, Nevada.* March 3, 1873.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to issue such rations of food and clothing to the Indians about Camp McDermit, in Humboldt county, Nevada, as may be necessary to save such Indians from destitution and starvation until such time as provision shall be made for them through the Interior Department.

Food and clothing for certain Indians in Humboldt county, Nevada.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCXVIII. — *An Act to amend the Charter of the Grütli Verein Association.* March 3, 1873.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Grütli Verein Association of Washington, District of Columbia, be authorized to issue building-stock to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars to be divided into shares of the par value of fifty dollars each, payable in such installments, and under such conditions as shall be determined by a building committee of five, to be chosen from the stockholders, by a stock vote, when twenty thousand dollars of said stock shall have been subscribed, and thereafter annually.

Grütli Verein Association of Washington, D.C., may issue building stock. &c.

SECTION 2. That said building committee shall have the entire control and management of said stock and its investment, and of any land purchased or building erected by means thereof, until the subscriptions are paid in, and the building completed, when their functions shall cease, and the said land and building shall thereafter be held and directed by, and be for the use and benefit of, said association in perpetual succession.

Building committee to have control.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCXIX. — *An Act repealing an Act entitled "An Act for the Relief of certain Indians in the Central Superintendency" approved June tenth eighteen hundred and seventy-two.* March 3, 1873.  
1872, ch. 430.  
Ante, p. 388.

*An Act supplemental to an Act entitled "An Act for the Relief of certain Indians in the Central Superintendency" approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, and to settle by Commission all Rights and Equities respecting the Property to which said Act refers.*

Preamble.

Whereas, by an act entitled "An act for the relief of certain Indians in the Central superintendency" approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, the Secretary of the Interior was authorized and directed to appoint three commissioners and to take an inventory of, appraise, and sell certain lands, bonds, notes, accounts, contracts, mortgages, and other property or assets held or acquired in any manner under a trust in respect to education, created and confirmed by treaties with the

Vol. xii. p. 1233.  
Vol. xv. p. 513.