

those from whom such parents, or either of them, may inherit or transmit inheritance, anything in the laws of such State to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided*, That nothing herein shall be construed as implying that any such marriage is not valid, or such issue legitimate for all other purposes.

Proviso.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, February 6, 1879.

CHAP. 50.—An act relating to tax-sales and taxes in the District of Columbia

Feb. 6, 1879.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the collector of taxes for the District of Columbia to prepare and keep in his office, for public inspection, a list of lots and squares, arranged in numerical order, of all real estate in the city of Washington heretofore sold, or which may hereafter be sold, for the non-payment of any general or special tax or assessment levied or assessed upon the same, said list to show the date of sale and for what taxes sold; in whose name assessed at the time of sale; the amount for which the same was sold; when and to whom conveyed if deeded, or, if redeemed from said sale, the date of redemption. And it shall be the duty of said collector, whenever called upon, to furnish, in addition to the regular tax-bills, a certified statement, over his hand and official seal, of all taxes and assessments general and special, that may be due and unpaid at the time of making said certificate, and which may in any manner be a lien upon any real estate located in said District; and for each and every certificate so furnished by said collector, the party requesting the same, shall pay into the treasury of said District a fee of fifty cents; and said certificate when furnished as aforesaid, shall be a bar to the collection and recovery, from any subsequent purchaser, of any tax or assessment omitted from and which may be a lien upon the real estate mentioned in said certificate, and said lien shall be discharged as to such subsequent purchaser but shall not affect the liability of the person who owned the property at the time such tax was assessed to pay the same. And it is hereby declared that all public records which have any reference, or in any way relate, to real or personal property in said District, shall be open to the public for inspection free of charge.

District of Columbia.
List of tax-sales.

Certificate of taxes due.

Fee.

Effect of certificate.

Public records.

Approved, February 6, 1879.

CHAP. 65.—An act authorizing the Windham National Bank to change its location.

Feb. 10, 1879.

Whereas the stockholders of the Windham National Bank, now located at Windham Centre, in the town and county of Windham and State of Connecticut, representing more than three-fourths of the capital of said bank, at a meeting specially called for that purpose in the month of December, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, did vote to change its location from Windham Centre to the village of Willimantic, in the town and county of Windham and State aforesaid: Therefore,

Preamble.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Windham National Bank now located at Windham Centre, in the town and county of Windham and State of Connecticut, is hereby authorized to change its location to the village of Willimantic, in said town of Windham and State aforesaid. Before changing its location as aforesaid, the president and cashier of said bank shall execute a certificate, under the corporate seal of the bank, specifying the action already taken by the stockholders of said bank and their determination as to such change of location, and shall cause the same to be recorded in the office of the Comptroller of the Currency. And thereupon such change of location shall be effected,

Windham National Bank.

Change of location.

Certificate of fact.

and the operations of discount and deposit of said bank shall be carried on in the village of Willimantic.

Liabilities, etc.,
not affected.

SEC. 2. 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 action or proceeding in law in which the said bank may be a party or interested, and when the time for such change shall have been determined upon by the directors of said bank notice thereof and of such change shall be published in a weekly newspaper in the said village of Willimantic not less than three weeks.

SEC. 3. That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, February 10, 1879.

Feb. 14, 1879.

CHAP. 68.—An act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, 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 following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the naval service of the government, for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, and for other purposes:

Pay.
Active list.

For the pay of the Navy, for the active list, namely: One admiral, one vice-admiral, eleven rear-admirals, eight chiefs of bureau (commodores), twenty-four commodores, forty-seven captains, ninety commanders, eighty lieutenant-commanders, two hundred and eighty lieutenants, one hundred and one masters, one hundred ensigns, one hundred and four midshipmen, fourteen medical directors, fifteen medical inspectors, fifty surgeons, eighty-six passed assistant surgeons, fourteen assistant surgeons, twelve pay-directors, thirteen pay-inspectors, fifty paymasters, thirty passed assistant paymasters, twenty assistant paymasters, sixty-nine chief engineers, ninety-eight passed assistant engineers, sixty-six assistant engineers, twenty-four chaplains, twelve professors of mathematics, ten naval constructors, five assistant naval constructors, nine civil engineers, two hundred and one warrant-officers, forty-three mates, two hundred and fifty cadet-midshipmen, additional for thirty-eight cadet-midshipmen at sea, one hundred cadet-engineers and twenty-five to be admitted in eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, additional for twenty-three cadet-engineers when at sea, one acting master, one acting ensign, three acting passed assistant surgeons, and eighteen acting assistant surgeons, three million eight hundred and twenty-two thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Retired list.

For pay of the retired list, namely: For forty-six rear-admirals, twenty-five commodores, sixteen captains, thirteen commanders, fourteen lieutenant-commanders, six lieutenants, fourteen masters, five ensigns, two midshipmen, four surgeon-generals, twenty-one medical directors, one medical inspector, two surgeons, two passed assistant surgeons, five assistant surgeons, three paymaster-generals, five pay-directors, three paymasters, two passed assistant paymasters, two assistant paymasters, four chief engineers, seventeen passed assistant engineers, twenty-four assistant engineers, seven chaplains, six professors of mathematics, one chief constructor, four naval constructors, nine boatswains, five gunners, thirteen carpenters, and thirteen sailmakers, six hundred and forty-five thousand four hundred dollars.

Petty-officers,
seamen, etc.

For pay to petty-officers, seamen, ordinary seamen, landsmen, and boys, including men in the engineers' force, and for the Coast Survey service, not exceeding seven thousand five hundred men in all, two million three hundred thousand dollars.

Secretaries,
clerks, etc.

For secretaries to the Admiral and Vice-Admiral, clerks to fleet-paymasters, paymasters of vessels, clerks at inspections, navy-yards, and stations, and extra pay to men enlisted under honorable discharge; ex-