Issue of twenty-year five per cent bonds of District of Columbia.
1879, ch. 17, Stat. 1, sess. 1.

Limit to issue of bonds.

authorizing the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to issue twenty-year five per centum bonds of the District of Columbia to redeem certain funded indebtedness of said District, approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, be, and the same is hereby, so amended as to authorize the Commissioners of said District to issue registered bonds as well as coupon bonds upon the terms and conditions and in the manner provided in said act; and the Secretary of the Treasury be, and hereby is, authorized to exchange registered bonds for coupon bonds already issued under the authority of the act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, and to sell either the registered or coupon bonds, as may be most to the benefit of the said District, at not less than their par value, in the redemption of the said funded indebtedness of said District: Provided, That the amount of both the registered and coupon bonds so issued or exchanged, with those already issued under said act, shall not exceed the amount of one million two hundred thousand dollars, as provided in said act of June tenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

Approved, June 8, 1880.

June 8, 1880. CHAP. 135.—An act to authorize the Secretary of War to improve and repair the Mullan wagon-road between Fort Missoula and Coeur d’Alene.

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 empowered to have improved and repaired the military wagon-road, commonly known as the Mullan wagon-road, between Fort Missoula, in Montana Territory, and Fort Coeur d’Alene, in Idaho Territory, and, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the same, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, June 8, 1880.

June 8, 1880. CHAP. 136.—An act to provide for issuing patents for public lands claimed under the pre-emption and homestead laws in cases where the claimants have become insane.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases in which parties who regularly initiated claims to public lands as settlers thereon according to the provisions of the pre-emption or homestead laws, have become insane or shall hereafter become insane before the expiration of the time during which their residence, cultivation, or improvement of the land claimed by them is required by law to be continued in order to entitle them to make the proper proof and perfect their claims, it shall be lawful for the required proof and payment to be made for their benefit by any person who may be legally authorized to act for them during their disability, and thereupon their claims shall be confirmed and patented, provided it shall be shown by proof satisfactory to the Commissioner of the General Land Office that the parties complied in good faith with the legal requirements up to the time of their becoming insane, and the requirement in homestead entries of an affidavit of allegiance by the applicant in certain cases as a prerequisite to the issuing of the patents shall be dispensed with so far as regards such insane parties.

Approved, June 8, 1880.

June 8, 1880. CHAP. 137.—An act to further amend the act entitled “An act to reorganize the courts of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes”, approved March third, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, and to amend section eighty-six of chapter twenty-four of the Revised Statutes of the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any justice of the supreme
court of the District of Columbia holding a term of the circuit court for said District (whenever the condition of the business in such circuit court and in the criminal court, in the opinion of the general term of said supreme court, may render it proper and expedient so to do), may hold sittings for the trial of such criminal cases depending in the criminal court as the justice presiding therein may assign for that purpose, and may employ the petit juries drawn for such circuit court for such trials; and such sittings may be held during the regular sessions of the criminal court, or, in the recess thereof, during the term of such circuit court; and the business done at such sittings shall be recorded in the minutes of the criminal court.

Sec. 2. That section eight hundred and sixty-one of chapter twenty-four of the Revised Statutes of the District of Columbia be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 861. It shall be good cause of principal challenge to any person called to serve as a talesman on a petit jury at any term of the criminal or circuit courts of the District of Columbia, that he has served as such juror in the trial of a cause in either of said courts at any time within one year next before his being so called and challenged. And whenever a paper, on which is written the name of any person, shall be drawn from the jury-box, and such person by reason of being challenged, or for any other reason, shall not serve as a juror at the term for or at which he shall have been so drawn, the clerk of the supreme court of the District of Columbia (unless otherwise ordered by the justice presiding in the court for which such name was drawn) shall replace the said paper in the jury-box, folded or rolled up in the manner prescribed by section eight hundred and fifty-three of said chapter, subject to be drawn again from said jury-box with the other papers therein."  

Sec. 3. All laws and parts of laws inconsistent herewith are herewith repealed.

Approved, June 8, 1880.

CHAP. 161.—An act to amend sections thirty-three hundred and eighty-five and thirty-three hundred and fifty-seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section thirty-three hundred and eighty-five of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended by striking out all of said section after the word "shipment" where it occurs in the twenty-seventh line, and insert in lieu of the part stricken out the following:

"Upon the presentation to the collector of internal revenue of a detailed report from the inspector of customs, and a certificate from the collector of customs at the port from which the goods are to be exported, that the goods removed from the manufactory under bond, and described in the permit of the collector of internal revenue, have been received by the said collector of customs, and that said goods were duly laden on board of a foreign-bound vessel, naming the vessel, and the said merchandise was entered on the outward-manifest of said vessel, and that said vessel and cargo were duly cleared from said port, and on the payment of the tax on deficiency, if any, the bonds which have been, or shall hereafter be, required to be given under the provisions of this section, shall be canceled.

Every person who, with the intent to defraud the revenue laws of the United States, relands or causes to be relanded, within the jurisdiction of the United States, any manufactured tobacco, snuff, or cigars which have been shipped for exportation under the provisions of this act, without properly entering such tobacco, snuff, or cigars at a custom-house, and paying the proper customs and internal-revenue taxes thereon, or who receives such relanded tobacco, snuff, or cigars, and every person who aids or abets in such relanding or receiving of such tobacco, snuff,