elsewhere, or of any certified copy thereof heretofore or hereafter filed in the office of said register of wills shall be prima facie evidence of the contents and due execution of such wills and codicils: Provided, That this act shall not apply in any cause now pending in any of the courts of the District of Columbia.

Approved, July 9, 1888.

CHAP. 598.—An act to amend section six hundred and eighty-five of the Revised Statutes relating to the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section numbered six hundred and eighty-five of the Revised Statutes relating to the District of Columbia, be and the same is hereby, amended, so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 685. The summons shall be served like other writs of summons at least seven days before the appearance of the party complained of, but in case such party has left the District of Columbia, or can not be found, said summons may be served by delivering a written or printed, or partly written and partly printed copy thereof to the tenant, or to the agent or attorney of the defendant if he be known, or leaving the same with some person of suitable discretion above the age of sixteen years residing on or in possession of the premises, and in case no one is in actual possession of said premises or residing thereon, then by posting a copy of said summons on the premises where it may be conveniently read."

Approved, July 9, 1888.

CHAP. 614.—An act making appropriations for the diplomatic and consular service of the United States for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine.

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, severally appropriated in full compensation for the diplomatic and consular service of the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, namely:

SCHEDULE A.

SALARIES OF MINISTERS.

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to France, Germany, Great Britain, and Russia, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, seventy thousand dollars.

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Austria, Brazil, China, Italy, Japan, Spain, and Mexico, at twelve thousand dollars each, eighty-four thousand dollars.

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Chili and Peru, at ten thousand dollars each, twenty thousand dollars.

Envoys extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Salvador (to reside at such place in either of said states as the President may direct), ten thousand dollars.

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to the Argentine Republic, the United States of Colombia, Turkey, Belgium, Netherlands, Sweden and Norway, and Venezuela, at seven thousand five hundred dollars each, fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars.