of Columbia. The said board shall make an annual report to Congress, through the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, giving a full and complete account of all matters placed under the supervision of the board, all expenses in detail, and all officers and agents employed, with a report of the Secretary, showing the actual condition of all institutions and agencies under the supervision of the board, the character and economy of administration thereof, and the amount and sources of their public and private income. The said report shall also include recommendations for the economical and efficient administration of the charities and reformatories of the District of Columbia. The said board shall prepare and include with its annual report such estimates of future appropriations as will, in the judgment of a majority of its members, best promote the effective, harmonious, and economical management of the affairs under its supervision; and such estimates submitted shall be included in the regular annual Book of Estimates. No member or employee of said board shall be either directly or indirectly interested in any contract for building, repairing, or furnishing any institution which by this Act the board is authorized to investigate and supervise. All Acts and parts of Acts in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved, June 6, 1900.

CHAP. 808.—An Act To regulate the collection of taxes in the District of Columbia. June 6, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the fiscal year commencing July first, nineteen hundred, the whole tax on real and personal property in the District of Columbia shall be due and payable in the month of May, nineteen hundred and one; and if said tax upon real and personal property shall not be paid before the first day of June in said year, the same thereupon shall be in arrears and delinquent, and there shall then be added, to be collected with said tax, a penalty of one per centum upon the amount thereof, and a like penalty on the first day of each succeeding month until payment of said tax and penalty; and the whole together shall constitute the delinquent tax, to be dealt with and collected in the manner now provided by law: Provided, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to advance to the disbursing officer of the District of Columbia, in the manner now prescribed by law, out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary from time to time to meet the general expenses of said District, and to reimburse the Treasury for the one-half advances payable by said District out of the taxes and revenues collected, as herein provided for: And provided further, That for the fiscal year beginning July first, nineteen hundred and one, and thereafter, taxes on real and personal property may be paid in two installments as is now provided by law.

Approved, June 6, 1900.

CHAP. 809.—An Act For the extension of Columbia road east of Thirteenth street, and for other purposes. June 6, 1900.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That within twenty days after the passage of this Act the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to institute in the supreme court of the District of Columbia, sitting as a district court,