

counties of Chatham, Moore, Person, and Durham and Richmond, in the courts of said western district may, upon the application of either party, be transferred to the court for the eastern district at Raleigh, and in case of such transfer all papers on file therein, with copies of all record entries, shall be transferred to the office of the clerk of such court and proceed in all respects as though originally commenced in said court at Raleigh.

SEC. 2. That the sessions of the district courts of the United States for the eastern district of North Carolina as herein constituted shall begin and be held at the city of Raleigh on the fourth Monday of May and first Monday of December of each year and at the city of Wilmington on the first Monday after the fourth Monday in April and October of each year; and at the city of Newbern on the fourth Monday in April and October of each year; and at Elizabeth City on the third Monday in April and October of each year.

SEC. 3. That the regular terms of the circuit court shall be held at Raleigh on the fourth Monday in May and first Monday in December in each year, and at Wilmington on the first Monday after the fourth Monday in April and October of each year.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall take effect on and after October fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four.

Approved, August 9, 1894.

Terms, district courts.  
R. S., sec. 572, p. 100.  
Raleigh.  
Wilmington.

Newbern.  
Elizabeth City.

Circuit court.  
R. S., sec. 658, p. 122.  
Raleigh.  
Wilmington.

Effect.

**CHAP. 245.**—An Act Providing for the resurvey of Grant and Hooker counties, in the State of Nebraska.

August 9, 1894.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be made a resurvey of the lands in Grant and Hooker counties, in the State of Nebraska; and all rules and regulations of the Interior Department requiring petitions from all settlers of said counties asking for resurvey and agreement to abide by the result of the same so far as these lands are concerned are hereby abrogated: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to impair the present bona fide claim of any actual occupant of any of said lands to the lands so occupied.

Nebraska.  
Resurvey of Grant and Hooker counties.

Proviso.  
Bona fide claims.

Approved, August 9, 1894.

**CHAP. 246.**—An Act For the construction of a military road from the city of El Paso to Fort Bliss, Texas.

August 9, 1894.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That when the military reservation known as "Old Fort Bliss" shall have been sold by virtue of an Act approved March first, eighteen hundred and ninety, so much of the receipts therefrom as may be necessary, not to exceed four thousand dollars, are hereby appropriated to the construction of a military road between the city of El Paso, Texas, and New Fort Bliss, Texas, said money to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War.

Appropriation for road from El Paso to New Fort Bliss, Tex.  
From sale of Old Fort Bliss reservation.  
Vol. 26, p. 16.

Approved, August 9, 1894.

**CHAP. 253.**—An Act To regulate water-main assessments in the District of Columbia.

August 11, 1894.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That hereafter assessments levied for laying water mains in the District of Columbia shall be at the

District of Columbia.  
Assessments for laying water mains.

R. S., D. C., sec. 201,  
p. 23.

*Proviso.*  
Corner lots.

Payment of pending  
assessments.

Norefund of excess.

rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per linear front foot against all lots or land abutting upon the street, road, or alley in which a water main shall be laid: *Provided*, That corner lots shall be taxed only on their front, with a depth of not exceeding one hundred feet; any excess of the other front over one hundred feet shall be subject to above rate of assessment: *And provided further*, That in all cases now pending where assessments have been regularly made and the installments paid as they become due and payable, and the taxpayer is not in default or in arrears in any manner, and where there has not been paid a sum equal to one dollar and twenty-five cents per linear foot, as estimated above, then only so much shall be collected as will make the whole sum paid equal to one dollar and twenty-five cents per linear foot. But this Act is not intended to give any ground of action for the refunding of any sum already paid in excess of one dollar and twenty-five cents per linear foot, nor for relieving any taxpayer who is in arrears for water-main assessments.

Approved, August 11, 1894.

August 11, 1894.

**CHAP. 254.**—An Act To provide for the closing of a part of an alley in square one hundred and eighty-five in the city of Washington, District of Columbia.

District of Colum-  
bia.  
Part of alley, square  
185, closed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized and instructed on the petition of the owner of all the property fronting on that part or portion of an alley fifteen feet wide, and running north and south through lot thirty, square one hundred and eighty-five, to declare said part or portion of said alley to be closed, and the title therein is hereby declared to be vested in the owner of all the property fronting on said alley.

Approved, August 11, 1894.

August 11, 1894.

**CHAP. 255.**—An Act Extending the time of payment to purchasers of lands of the Omaha tribe of Indians in Nebraska, and for other purposes.

Omaha Indian Res-  
ervation.  
Time for paying for  
lands extended.  
Vol. 22, p. 341.

Extending time for  
first payments, etc.

*Proviso.*  
Interest.  
Fund for benefit of  
Indians.

Distribution of in-  
terest.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to extend the time of payments of the purchase money due for land sold on the Omaha Indian Reservation under the sale made by virtue of "An Act to provide for the sale of a part of the reservation of the Omaha tribe of Indians in the State of Nebraska, and for other purposes," approved August seventh, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, as follows:

The time for the first payment is hereby extended until the first day of December, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, the second payment to become due in one year thereafter, and the third payment to be due and payable in one year from the time fixed for the second payment: *Provided*, That the interest on said payments shall be paid annually at the time said payments of interest are due; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall retain in the Treasury all moneys heretofore and that may hereafter be paid as principal under the Act approved August seventh, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, and shall pay over five per centum thereon annually to the Secretary of the Interior to be expended by him annually for the benefit of said Indians, as prescribed in section three of said Act, and the Secretary of the Treasury shall pay all interest that has been paid on land sold under said Act to the Secretary of the Interior, to be by him paid over to said tribe, to be distributed to the members thereof pro rata by the agent of said tribe, and all interest thereafter coming into the Treasury shall be paid over