

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Navy shall be, and he is hereby, empowered and directed to allow the use by said railroad company for the accommodation of its freight and passenger traffic of so much of the water front of said naval reservation lying outside and east of the present navy-yard inclosure, not exceeding two hundred feet front on the bay by five hundred feet in depth, as in the judgment of the Secretary of the Navy is necessary for the purposes of a depot and terminal facilities for said railroad company; The Secretary of the Navy is also hereby authorized to permit said railroad company to construct a wharf on the east side of the present navy-yard inclosure, connecting its depot with the channel of the bay, said wharf not to exceed fifty feet in width. The value of the use of any land now occupied by or in possession by inclosure of any person that shall be appropriated for the use of said railroad company, under the powers granted to it by this act, shall be appraised by a board of six residents of said naval reservation, appointed by the commandant of the navy-yard, and the amount so appraised shall be paid by said railroad company before it shall have the right to enter upon or use such land. The Secretary of the Navy may, at any time when he shall deem it necessary to the public good, cause to be removed or destroyed all or any of the structures hereby permitted, without subjecting the Government to any claim for damages. Said railroad company shall not erect or allow the use of any building or structures on said naval reservation without the consent of the Secretary of the Navy.

Use of water front.

Wharf.

Appraising damages.

Removal, etc.

Consent of Secretary of the Navy.

Construction.

SEC. 3. That all rights of way and privileges hereby granted shall become null and void unless said railroad company shall construct and operate its line of railway through said reservation within one year from the time said Secretary of the Navy has, in writing, notified said company of his assent to and approval of its route through said reservation, and its failure so to do shall be a forfeiture of this franchise.

Approved, July 28, 1892.

CHAP. 315.—An act to provide for the examination of certain officers of the Marine Corps, and to regulate promotion therein.

July 23, 1892.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter promotions to every grade of commissioned officers in the Marine Corps below the grade of Commandant shall be made in the same manner and under the same conditions as now are or may hereafter be prescribed, in pursuance of law, for commissioned officers of the Army: *Provided,* That examining boards which may be organized under the provisions of this act to determine the fitness of officers of the Marine Corps for promotion shall in all cases consist of not less than five officers, three of whom shall, if practicable, be officers of the Marine Corps, senior to the officer to be examined, and two of whom shall be medical officers of the Navy: *Provided further,* That when not practicable to detail officers of the Marine Corps as members of such examining boards, officers of the line in the Navy shall be so detailed.

Marine Corps Promotions.

Provisos. Examining boards.

Detail of naval officers.

Approved, July 28, 1892.

CHAP. 316.—An act authorizing the Secretary of War to lease public property in certain cases.

July 28, 1892.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That authority be, and is hereby, given to the Secretary of War, when in his discretion it will be for the public good, to lease, for a period not exceeding five years and revocable at any time, such property of the United States under his

Secretary of War may lease public property not required.

Proviso.
Mineral, etc., lands
excepted.

control as may not for the time be required for public use and for the leasing of which there is no authority under existing law, and such leases shall be reported annually to Congress: *Provided*, That nothing in this act contained shall be held to apply to mineral or phosphate lands.

Approved, July 28, 1892.

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CHAP. 317.—An act to amend the national bank act in providing for the redemption of national bank notes stolen from or lost by banks of issue.

National currency.
Redemption of lost
or stolen notes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the Revised Statutes of the United States, providing for the redemption of national bank notes, shall apply to all national bank notes that have been or may be issued to, or received by, any national bank, notwithstanding such notes may have been lost by or stolen from the bank and put in circulation without the signature or upon the forged signature of the president or vice-president and cashier.

Approved, July 28, 1892.

July 29, 1892.

CHAP. 320.—An act for the preservation of the public peace and the protection of property within the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia.
Injury, etc., to pub-
lic and private prop-
erty forbidden.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to destroy, injure, disfigure, cut, chip, break, deface, or cover, or rub with or otherwise place filth or excrement of any kind upon any property, public or private, in the District of Columbia, or any public or private building, statue, monument, office, dwelling, or structure of any kind, or which may be in course of erection, or the doors, windows, steps, railing, fencing, balconies, balustrades, stairs, porches, or halls, or the walls or sides, or the walls of any inclosure thereof; or to write, mark, or paint obscene or indecent words or language thereon, or to draw, paint, mark, or write obscene or indecent figures representing obscene or indecent objects; or to write, mark, draw, or paint any other word, sign, or figure thereon, without the consent of the owner or proprietor thereof, or, in case of public property, of the person having charge, custody, or control thereof, under a penalty of not more than fifty dollars for each and every such offense.

Penalty.

Destruction of build-
ing material, etc., for-
bidden.

SEC. 2. That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to destroy, break, cut, disfigure, deface, burn, or otherwise injure any building materials, or materials intended for the improvement of any street, avenue, alley, foot pavement, roads, highways, or inclosure, whether public or private property, or remove the same (except in pursuance of law or by consent of the owner) from the place where the same may be collected for purposes of building or improvement as aforesaid; or to remove, cut, destroy, or injure any scaffolding, ladder, or other thing used in or about such building or improvement, under a penalty of not more than twenty-five dollars for each and every such offense.

Penalty.

Throwing stones,
etc., forbidden.

SEC. 3. That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons within the District of Columbia to throw any stone or other missile in any street, avenue, alley, road, or highway, or open space, or public square, or inclosure, or to throw any stone or other missile from any place into any street, avenue, road, or highway, alley, open space, public square, or inclosure, under a penalty of not more than five dollars for every such offense.

Penalty.

Flying kites, etc.,
forbidden.

SEC. 4. That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to set up or fly any kite, or set up or fly any fire balloon or parachute in or upon or over any street, avenue, alley, open space, public inclosure, or square within the limits of the cities of Washington and Georgetown,