

R. S., secs. 572, 658,
pp. 96, 121.

each term for eighteen judicial days, if the business shall require it; and the judges of said courts shall have the same power to call special terms in said division as they may now do under the laws of the United States elsewhere in said district.

Jurisdiction.

SEC. 2. That the said courts so sitting at Owensborough shall have and exercise the same jurisdiction, power, and authority in all civil actions, pleas, or proceedings, and in all prosecutions, informations, indictments, or other criminal or penal proceedings, conferred by general laws on the district and circuit courts of the United States; and where one or more defendants in any civil cause shall reside in said division, and one or more defendants to such cause shall reside out of said division but in said district, then the plaintiff may institute his action either in the court having jurisdiction over the latter or in the said division.

Deputy clerk.

SEC. 3. That in and for said division the clerk of the said district, at Louisville, shall appoint a deputy who shall reside at Owensborough, and in case of the death or removal of said deputy, or from other cause, it becomes necessary, he shall appoint a successor or successors to said deputy in like manner in all respects as by law he may now appoint and remove deputies; and he may require bond of said deputy to himself, with surety for the faithful discharge of his duties and for indemnity in case of breach, on which actions may be maintained in said district court; and said deputy shall keep and preserve the records of the court at Owensborough; issue all writs, precepts, and process, and perform all other duties devolved upon his principal.

Deputy marshal.

SEC. 4. That the marshal of said district shall, by himself or deputy, attend upon the terms of the court in said division; and he may appoint a deputy to reside at Owensborough (and shall do so if ordered by the court), who shall discharge all the duties of marshal; and the marshal may require a bond of indemnity to himself with surety for the faithful discharge of his duties and for indemnity in case of breach, on which actions may be maintained in said district Court.

Pending actions not
affected.

SEC. 5. That this act shall not affect the jurisdiction, power, and authority of the court as to actions, prosecutions, and proceedings already begun and pending in said district, but the same will proceed as though this act had not been passed, except that the court shall have power, which it may exercise at discretion, to transfer to the court in said division such of said pending actions, prosecutions, and proceedings as might properly be begun therein under the provisions of this act.

Court room.

SEC. 6. That until the public building of the United States at Owensborough, the erection whereof has been provided for by an act of the present session of Congress, shall have been completed, the courts herein provided for shall be held at the court-house of Daviess County, and the deputy clerk shall provide himself with an office at Owensborough, but in no event shall the United States be chargeable with rent or otherwise on account of either.

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CHAP. 793.—An act for the erection of a public building at Brownsville, Texas.

Brownsville, Tex.
Public building.
Site to be accepted.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to accept the donation of a site, and cause to be erected thereon a substantial and commodious building, with fire proof vaults, for the use and accommodation of the United States courts, custom-house, post-office, and for other Government offices and uses at Brownsville, in the State of Texas. The building, when completed upon plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the Secretary of the

Plans, etc.

Treasury, shall not exceed in cost the sum of fifty thousand dollars; and no plan for said building shall be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury involving an expenditure exceeding the said sum of fifty thousand dollars for said building; and the site donated shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet, including streets and alleys: *Provided*, That no part of said sum shall be expended until a valid title to the said site shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Texas shall cede to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of civil process therein.

Proviso.
Title, etc.

Approved, August 8, 1888.

CHAP. 794.—An act for the erection of a public building at Ottumwa, Iowa.

August 8, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to purchase, acquire by condemnation, or otherwise provide a site, and cause to be erected thereon a substantial and commodious building, with fire-proof vaults, for the use and accommodation of the post-office, and for other Government uses, at Ottumwa, Iowa. The site and building thereon, when completed upon plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury shall not exceed in cost the sum of forty thousand dollars; nor shall any site be purchased until estimates for the erection of a building which will furnish sufficient accommodations for the transaction of the public business, and which shall not exceed in cost the balance of the sum herein limited after the site shall have been purchased and paid for, shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury; and no purchase of site, nor plan for said building, shall be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury involving an expenditure exceeding the said sum of forty thousand dollars for site and building; and the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet, including streets and alleys: *Provided*, That no part of said sum shall be expended until a valid title to the said site shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Iowa shall cede to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State, and the service of civil process therein.

Ottumwa, Iowa.
Public building.

Site, plans, etc.

Estimates.

Limit of cost.

Proviso.
Title, etc.

Approved, August 8, 1888.

CHAP. 816.—An act to cancel certain reservations of lands, on account of live-oak, in the southwestern land-district of the State of Louisiana.

August 9, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the reservation set apart by order of the President, October twenty-first, eighteen hundred and forty-five, in the southwestern land-district of the State of Louisiana, known as Pecan Island, within the following townships to wit: Number fifteen south, range one west; number fifteen south, range two west; number sixteen south, range one west; number fifteen south, range one east; number sixteen south, range one east, on account of the live-oak supposed to grow thereon, be, and are hereby, canceled and annulled; *Provided*, That all persons who have in good faith settled upon and made improvements upon Pecan Island, within

Louisiana.
Pecan Island open to
homestead settlers.

Proviso.
Bona fide settlers.