Docketing in State

"SEC. 3. That nothing herein shall be construed to require the dockclerk keeps open per eting of a judgment or decree of a United States court, or the filing of a transcript thereof, in any State office within the same county or the same parish in the State of Louisiana in which the judgment or decree is rendered, in order that such judgment or decree may be a lien on any property within such county, if the clerk of the United States court be required by law to have a permanent office and a judgment record open at all times for public inspection in such county or parish."

Approved, March 2, 1895.

March 2, 1895.

CHAP. 181.—An Act To further amend section nine of the Act for the relief of certain volunteer and regular soldiers of the late war and the war with Mexico, passed March second, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine.

Charges of desertion. Time extended for applying for removing, Volunteers, etc. Vol. 25, p. 871.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section nine of the Act for the relief of certain volunteer and regular soldiers of the late war and the war with Mexico, approved March second, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, be, and the same is hereby, so amended as to remove the limitation of time within which applications for relief may be received and acted upon under the provisions of said Act.

Approved, March 2, 1895.

March 2, 1895.

CHAP. 182.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to certify to the Secretary of the Interior, for restoration to the public domain, lands in the States of Alabama and Mississippi not needed for naval purposes.

Public lands. Naval reserves Ala-ama and Mississippi restored to settlement.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the

Preferences.

Proviso. Appraisal of value.

Lands near Biloxi to be entered as town sites.

Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be certified to the Secretary of the Interior, for restoration to the public domain, the whole or such portion or portions of the several tracts of land in the States of Alabama and Mississippi heretofore set apart and reserved for navaluses as are no longer required for the purposes for which they were reserved, or for any purposes connected with the naval service; and upon such certification the tracts of land described therein shall be duly restored to and become a part of the public lands of the United States and a preference right of entry for a period of six months from the date of this Act shall be given all bona fide settlers who are qualified to enter under the homestead law and have made improvements and are now residing upon any agricultural lands in said reservations, and for a period of six months from the date of settlement when that shall occur after the date of this Act: Provided, That persons who enter under the homestead law shall pay for such lands not less than the value heretofore or hereafter determined by appraisement, nor less than the price of the land at the time of the entry; and such payment may, at the option of the purchaser, be made in five equal installments, at times and at rates of interest to be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior: Provided, That so much of the said lands as are situated on Back Bay, near the city of Biloxi, in the State of Mississippi, shall be disposed of under the town-site law and not as agricultural lands.

Approved, March 2, 1895.

March 2, 1895.

CHAP. 183 .- An Act To amend the Act to incorporate the American University.

American Univeramended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act to incorporate the sity, D.C.

Vol. 27, p. 476, American University, approved February twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, be amended by striking out the following words, namely, "to choose a board of trustees, consisting of not more than fifty, of whom fifteen shall constitute a quorum to do business," and by inserting in lieu thereof the following words, namely, "and the incorporators aforesaid, their associates and successors, who shall possess board of trustees. the qualifications herein required, shall constitute a board of trustees, by which the business of said corporation shall be transacted, which board shall hereafter consist of not less than forty nor more than fifty persons, eleven of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business."

Numbers.

Approved, March 2, 1895.

CHAP. 184.—An Act To grant a township of land to the State of Mississippi for the use of the Institute and College for Girls.

March 2, 1895.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Governor of the State of Mississippi be, and he is hereby, authorized to select out of the Grant to Mississippi of Industrial Instiunoccupied and uninhabited lands of the United States, within the tute and College for said State, twenty-three thousand and forty acres of land, in legal subdivisions, being a total equivalent to one township, and shall certify the same to the Secretary of the Interior, who shall forthwith, upon receipt of said certificate, issue to the State of Mississippi patents for said lands: Provided, That the proceeds of said lands, when sold or leased, shall forever remain a fund for the use of the Industrial Institute and College for Girls.

Public lands Grantto Mississippi

Approved, March 2, 1895.

CHAP. 185.—An Act Making appropriations for the diplomatic and consular service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

March 2, 1895.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums Diplomatic and consular appropriations. be, and they are hereby, severally appropriated, in full compensation for the diplomatic and consular service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, namely:

Diplomatic and con-

## SCHEDULE A.

Schedule A.

## SALARIES OF AMBASSADORS AND MINISTERS.

Salaries.

Ambassadors extraordinary and plenipotentiary to France, Germany, and Great Britain, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars;

Ambassadors.

Ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to Italy, twelve thou-

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Russia and Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Russia and Envoys extraordinary and ministers are at seventeen thousand five hundred dellars each thinty five nary and ministers Mexico, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, thirty-five plenipotentiary. thousand dollars;

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to China, Japan, Spain, Austria, and Brazil, at twelve thousand dollars each, sixty thousand dollars:

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Argentine Republic, Belgium, Colombia, Peru, Turkey, and Chile, at ten thousand dollars each, sixty thousand dollars;

Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Nicaragua,

Costa Rica, and Salvador, ten thousand dollars;

Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Guatemala and Honduras, ten thousand dollars;