

# PUBLIC ACTS OF THE FORTY-SECOND CONGRESS

OF THE

## UNITED STATES,

*Passed at the First Session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Saturday, the fourth day of March, A. D. 1871, and was adjourned without day on Thursday the twentieth day of April, A. D. 1871.*

ULYSSES S. GRANT, President. SCHUYLER COLFAX, Vice-President and President of the Senate. HENRY B. ANTHONY was elected President of the Senate *pro tempore* on the seventeenth day of April, A. D. 1871, and so acted until the end of the session. JAMES G. BLAINE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAP. I.—*An Act to amend "An Act to establish the Smithsonian Institution for the Increase and Diffusion of Knowledge among Men," approved August 10, 1846.* March 20, 1871.  
1846, ch. 178.  
Vol. ix. p. 102.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That "An act to establish the Smithsonian Institution for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men," approved August ten, eighteen hundred and forty-six, be, and the same is hereby, amended in section one of said act by striking out the words "the mayor of the city of Washington," and inserting in place thereof the words "the governor of the District of Columbia," and that said act be further amended in section three by striking out the words "the mayor of the city of Washington," and inserting in place thereof the words "the governor of the District of Columbia."*

APPROVED, March 20, 1871.

CHAP. II.—*An Act relating to Moneys paid into the Courts of the United States.* March 24, 1871.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all moneys in the registry of any court of the United States, or in the hands or under the control of any officer of such court, which were received in any cause pending or adjudicated in such court, shall, within thirty days after the passage of this act, be deposited with the treasurer, an assistant treasurer, or a designated depository of the United States, in the name and to the credit of such court. And all such moneys which are hereafter paid into such courts or received by the officers thereof shall be forthwith deposited in like manner: *Provided*, That nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the delivery of any such money upon security, according to agreement of parties under the direction of the court.*

SEC. 2. That no money deposited as aforesaid shall be withdrawn except by order of the judge or judges of said courts respectively, in term or in vacation, to be signed by such judge or judges and to be entered and certified of record by the clerk, and every such order shall state the cause in or on account of which it is drawn.

Moneys paid into the courts of the United States, to be deposited, to the credit of such courts, with the treasurer, &c.;

may be delivered on security, by agreement of parties and sanction of court;

not to be withdrawn except upon the written order of the judge.

Order to state what.

Clerks of courts at each term to present an account of said moneys to the court, &c.

SEC. 3. That at each regular and stated session of said courts the clerks thereof shall present an account to said courts of all moneys remaining therein, or subject to the order thereof, stating in detail in what causes said moneys are deposited and in what causes payments have been made, which account and the vouchers thereof shall be filed in court.

The depositing of any money in violation of this act, or the retention, or conversion thereof, to be embezzlement.

Penalty

SEC. 4. That if any clerk or other officer of a court of the United States shall deposit any money belonging in the registry of the court, in violation of this act, or shall retain or convert any such money to his own use, or to the use of any other person, he shall be deemed guilty of embezzlement, and, on conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars and not more than the amount embezzled, or by imprisonment for a term not less than one year nor more than ten years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

The knowingly receiving from the clerk, &c. such money, in violation of this act, to be embezzlement.

Penalty.

Repeal of acts 1814, ch. 62, Vol. iii. p. 127, 1817, ch. 108, Vol. iii. p. 895.

SEC. 5. That if any person shall knowingly receive from a clerk or other officer of a court of the United States, any money belonging in the registry of said court, as a deposit, loan, or otherwise, in violation of this act, he shall be deemed guilty of embezzlement, and shall be punished as provided in the last preceding section.

SEC. 6. That the act entitled "An act directing the disposition of money paid into the courts of the United States," approved April eighteenth, eighteen hundred and fourteen, and the act supplementary thereto, approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventeen, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, March 24, 1871.

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CHAP. III. — *An Act relating to condemned Cannon for Cemetery at San Francisco.*

Condemned cannon, &c. for Cemetery Association of San Francisco.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to deliver to the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery Association, of San Francisco, California, six pieces of condemned iron cannon and thirty cannon balls, to be used in the embellishment of the burial-grounds of said association.

APPROVED, March 24, 1871.

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CHAP. IV. — *An Act to authorize the Commissioners to revise the Statutes to print their Reports.*

Each commissioner to revise the statutes may have his work printed on his written order. 1871, ch. 115. Vol. xvi. p. 517.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the proviso in the act of March three, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, directing "that no printing shall hereafter be executed except on written order under the direction of heads of departments, or by the two houses of Congress, as authorized by law," shall not be construed to affect the printing required by the commissioners to revise the statutes, in the execution of their duties; but their reports, indexes, and other papers immediately incidental to their work, may be printed upon the written order of the commissioner by whom the same may have been prepared.

APPROVED, March 24, 1871.

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CHAP. V. — *An Act to further regulate the Publication of the Specifications and Drawings of the Patent-Office.*

Publication of specifications and drawings of the patent-office. Vol. xvi. p. 590.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That if, in the judgment of the joint committee on printing, the provisions of the joint resolution providing for publishing specifications and drawings of the patent-office, approved January eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, can be performed under the direction of the commissioner of patents more