

February 27, 1897.

CHAP. 341.—An Act To remove doubts as to the power of the supreme court of the District of Columbia to provide for a vacancy in the office of attorney of the United States for the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia. Supreme court may temporarily appoint attorney in case of vacancy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in case of a vacancy in the office of attorney of the United States for the District of Columbia, the supreme court of said District may fill the same, and the person appointed by said court shall serve until an appointment is made by the President, and the appointee is duly qualified, and no longer.

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CHAP. 342.—An Act To authorize the extension of the lines of the Metropolitan Railroad Company, of the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia. Metropolitan Railroad Company to extend its lines.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Metropolitan Railroad Company be, and it is hereby, authorized and required within six months from the date of the approval of this Act to extend the lines of its underground electric railroad from the intersection of Connecticut and Florida avenues northward along Columbia road to a point on the west line of Eighteenth street extended: *Provided,* That the said company is hereby authorized to issue and sell such an amount of its capital stock as will, at the market value thereof, cover the cost of construction and equipment of the extension herein provided for.

Proviso.
Stock issue.

Approved, February 27, 1897.

March 2, 1897.

CHAP. 353.—An Act To grant a right of way through the Fort Spokane Military Reservation, in the State of Washington, to the Saint Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway Company.

Saint Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway Company, granted right of way, Fort Spokane Reservation, Wash.

Completion.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted to the Saint Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway Company a right of way, one hundred feet wide, on such route as the Secretary of War may designate, through the Fort Spokane Military Reservation, in the State of Washington. If said railroad shall not be built across said reservation within three years next after the passage of this Act this grant shall absolutely cease and determine.

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CHAP. 354.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act authorizing the appointment of receivers of national banks, and for other purposes," approved June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, as amended by an Act approved August third, eighteen hundred and ninety-two.

National banks in receivers' hands.
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section three of an Act entitled "An Act authorizing the appointment of receivers of national banks, and for other purposes," approved June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, as amended by an Act approved August third, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, be, and hereby is, amended so as to read as follows:

Winding up business.
R. S., secs. 5234, 5236,
p. 1018.

"**SEC. 3.** That whenever any association shall have been or shall be placed in the hands of a receiver, as provided in section fifty-two hundred and thirty-four and other sections of the Revised Statutes of the United States, and when, as provided in section fifty-two hundred and