

CHAP. 312.—An Act For the relief of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries.

March 3, 1927.

[S. 5213.]

[Public, No. 715.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That neither the corporate existence nor the validity of the acts and authority of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries, nor of the persons purporting to act as its officers shall be affected by the failure of said officers heretofore to make or to record the making of by-laws or to make a record of the election of trustees, directors, or managers of said corporation, as duly incorporated for the term of twenty years, by the name of the National Training School for Missionaries, November 9, 1894, under the laws of the District of Columbia, as will appear by reference to incorporation book 7, page 1, in the office of the recorder of deeds of said District; nor shall such existence or validity be affected by any insufficiency, irregularity, or defect in the proceedings undertaken to change its name to the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries, January 4, 1908, as will appear by reference to incorporation book 25, page 285, in the office of said recorder of deeds; nor by any insufficiency, irregularity, or defect in the proceedings undertaken to make its existence perpetual, on November 6, 1914, as will appear by reference to incorporation book 31, page 53, in the office of said recorder of deeds; nor by any insufficiency, irregularity, or defect in the appointment or election of the persons undertaking to act as its officers or trustees subsequent to any of the proceedings above mentioned.

District of Columbia.
Lucy Webb Hayes
National Training
School, etc.

Irregularities in procedure not to affect corporate existence of.

SEC. 2. That Ida H. Goode, Mary Leonard Woodruff, Jane H. Freeman, May Conant Fruit, William T. Galliher, Charles S. Cole, G. Ellis Williams, Maurice Otterback, and Merrill C. Slutes are hereby declared to be the persons now constituting the said Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries, a body corporate, with perpetual existence, and they and their successors are hereby given authority by a majority vote to adopt by-laws to carry out the corporate objects of said corporation. Prior to the adoption of such by-laws, the persons above mentioned, or a majority of them, shall constitute the trustees of said corporation and shall have full power and authority to perform all corporate acts.

Trustees designated.

Powers, etc.

SEC. 3. That all things heretofore done or attempted to be done by the said National Training School for Missionaries or by the said Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries or the persons acting as its officers or trustees, as mentioned or referred to in the first section of this Act, be, and the same are, in all respects, hereby validated, ratified, confirmed, and approved.

Former acts, etc.
validated, etc.

SEC. 4. That nothing in this Act shall be held to limit or lessen any power, right, or privilege now possessed or enjoyed by said corporation.

No existing privileges, etc., limited hereby.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 313.—An Act To purchase a painting of the several ships of the United States Navy in 1891 and entitled "Peace."

March 3, 1927.

[H. R. 3791.]

[Public, No. 716.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Joint Committee on the Library of the House of Representatives and Senate be, and is hereby, authorized to purchase from the owners, the heirs of its painter, Walter L. Dean, the oil painting known as

"Peace," Oil Painting.
Joint Committee on the Library authorized to purchase, now in the Capitol.

"Peace" (which was loaned to the Government twenty-five years ago and since that time has hung in the Capitol and in the room of the Committee on Naval Affairs) for the sum of \$5,000, which sum is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay said owners for said painting upon the passage and approval of this Act.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

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[H. R. 15602.]

[Public, No. 717.]

CHAP. 314.—An Act To amend the last paragraph of an Act entitled "An Act to refer the claims of the Delaware Indians to the Court of Claims, with the right of appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Delaware Indians.
Submission of claims
of, to Court of Claims.
Vol. 43, p. 813, amend-
ed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the last paragraph of the Act approved February 7, 1925, entitled "An Act to refer the claims of the Delaware Indians to the Court of Claims, with the right of appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States" (Forty-third Statutes at Large, pages 812 and 813), be, and the same hereby is, amended to read as follows:

Attorneys' fees, etc.,
by decree of court.

"Upon the final determination of any suit the Court of Claims shall decree such fees as may be deemed fair and reasonable for services and expenses rendered and incurred therein, to be paid to the attorney or attorneys, such fees for services not to exceed 10 per centum on the amount of the judgments recovered and in no event to be more than \$25,000 in any one claim, and the Court of Claims shall also decree to the estate of Richard C. Adams, deceased member of the Delaware Tribe, and its representative and attorney for many years and up to his death in October, 1921, a reasonable amount for the services and expenses of said Richard C. Adams, rendered and incurred during his lifetime for and on behalf of said Delaware Tribe in connection with its claims against the United States, to the extent of but in no event to exceed 2½ per centum on any sums recovered; and all of such sums so to be paid for services and expenses shall be paid out of any sum or sums found due said Delaware Tribe and not otherwise. Such suit, suits, or causes shall be advanced on the docket of the Court of Claims and by the Supreme Court of the United States if an appeal shall be taken."

Approved, March 3, 1927.

Limitation.
Richard C. Adams.
Allowance to estate
of, for his services.

Advancement of
causes.

March 3, 1927.

[S. 5479.]

[Public, No. 718.]

CHAP. 315.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to dispose of certain parts of the frigate Constitution, to be used as souvenirs.

"Constitution," frigate.
Sale of relics, to be
used in restoring, for
preservation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to give or to sell, under such regulations as he may prescribe, such parts or pieces, including rigging, of the frigate Constitution, as are suitable for use as relics, souvenirs, or mementos, and which can not profitably or advantageously be used in restoring this vessel to original condition, to clubs, associations, or individuals that have made or shall make donations or contributions for the preservation of the frigate Constitution referred to in the Act approved March 4, 1925 (Forty-third Statutes at Large, page 1278): *Provided,* That the cost of converting the aforesaid material into relics, souvenirs, or mementos shall be charged against, and the proceeds of such sales shall be added to, the fund created by authority of said Act.

Vol. 45, p. 1278.

Proviso.
Expenses from fund.

Approved, March 3, 1927.