

May 26, 1866. CHAP. C. — *An Act to authorize the Appointment of an additional Assistant Secretary of the Navy.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint an additional Assistant Secretary of the Navy, who shall perform the same duties and receive the same salary as is by law allowed to the present Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the office hereby created shall cease by limitation in six months from the approval of this act.

APPROVED, May 26, 1866.

May 30, 1866. CHAP. CII. — *An Act to repeal Section twenty-three of Chapter seventy-nine of the Acts of the Third Session of the Thirty-Seventh Congress, relating to Passports.*

1863, ch. 79, § 23.

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Repeal.

Passports to issue only to citizens.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twenty-three of an act entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the government for the year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and for the year ending the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, and for other purposes," be, and the same is hereby repealed. And hereafter passports shall be issued only to citizens of the United States.

APPROVED, May 30, 1866.

June 1, 1866. CHAP. CIII. — *An Act to define more clearly the Jurisdiction and Powers of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, and for other Purposes.*

Writs of attachment, &c., to be issued by clerk of Supreme Court of District, upon affidavit of plaintiff, &c., and giving surety for costs and damages;

may be quashed upon defendant's filing counter affidavit and after hearing by the Court.

Issue when to be tried. Attached property not to be discharged unless defendant gives surety, &c.

Judgment, if for plaintiff.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That writs of attachment and garnishments shall be issued by the clerk of the supreme court of the District, without any authority or warrant from any judge or justice, whenever the plaintiff, his agent or attorney, shall file in the clerk's office, whether at the commencement or during the pendency of the suit, an affidavit, supported by the testimony of one or more witnesses, showing the grounds upon which he bases his affidavit, and also setting forth that the plaintiff has a just right to recover against the defendant what he claims in the declaration, and also stating either, first, that the defendant is a non-resident of the District; or, second, that the defendant evades the service of ordinary process by concealing himself or by withdrawing from the District temporarily; or, third, that he has removed or is about to remove some of his property from the District, so as to defeat just demands against him; and shall also file his (the plaintiff's) undertaking, with sufficient surety or sureties, to be approved by the clerk, to make good all costs and damages which the defendant may sustain by reason of the wrongful suing out of the attachment: *Provided, however,* That if the defendant, his agent or attorney, shall file an affidavit traversing the said affidavit, the court shall determine whether the facts set forth in said plaintiff's affidavit are true, and that there was just ground for issuing said writ or warrant of attachment; and if the court shall deem the facts do not sustain the affidavit, he shall quash the writ of attachment or garnishment: and this issue may be tried by a judge at chambers on three days' notice. And the thing attached shall not be discharged from the custody of the officer seizing it until the defendant shall deliver, either to the officer or to the clerk, to be filed in the cause, his undertaking, with sufficient surety or sureties, to satisfy and pay the final judgment of the court against him; and in case the defendant be found liable to the plaintiff's claim, in whole or in part, the final judgment shall be that the plain-

tiff recover against the defendant and his surety or sureties; and if the defendant fail to execute such undertaking, the court may sell the thing attached whenever it is satisfied that it is the interest of the parties that it should be so'd before final judgment.

Property attached may be sold.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the passage of this act the annual salaries of the chief justice and associate justices of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, instead of the amount now fixed by law, shall be as follows: For the chief justice, four thousand and five hundred dollars, and for each of the associate justices, four thousand dollars.

Salaries of justices.

APPROVED, June 1, 1866.

CHAP. CIV.—*An Act to incorporate the Women's Hospital Association of the District of Columbia.* June 1, 1866.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Abram D. Gillette, Byron Sunderland, Charles H. Hall, George W. Sampson, J. N. Coombs, William B. Matchett, Henry D. Cooke, William W. Corcoran, Charles Knap, J. H. Thompson, Moses Kelley, Ansel St. John, Mrs. Adelaide J. Brown, Mrs. Mary W. Kelly, Elmira W. Knap, Mary C. Havenner, Mary Ellen Norment, Jane Thompson, Maria L. Harkness, Isabella Margaret Washington, Mary F. Smith, Mrs. Elmira W. Powell, and Mrs. Elizabeth Sampson, and their successors duly chosen, are hereby constituted and created a body corporate in the District of Columbia, by the name of the Columbia Hospital for Women and Lying-in Asylum.

Columbia hospital for women and lying-in asylum incorporated.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That said corporation hereby constituted shall consist of twenty-four members. They shall have power to fill all vacancies created by death, resignation, or otherwise, and to make by-laws, rules, and regulations: *Provided*, That such by-laws, rules, and regulations are not repugnant to the Constitution or laws of the United States.

Members.
Vacancies.
By-laws.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the affairs of said corporation shall be under the control and management of a board of twelve directors, to consist of the first twelve of the above-named incorporators, or such further number as the duties of the corporation may require, such increase of numbers to be made by a vote of two-thirds of the existing board. The board of directors shall also have power to appoint all sub-committees necessary to the direction and efficiency of the institution hereby authorized to be established.

Directors.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the first twelve corporators named in the first section hereof, together with those who may be elected directors as provided in the preceding section, shall constitute the first board of directors, who shall from their number elect a president, two vice-presidents, a secretary, and treasurer; and seven of the directors, of whom the president or one of the vice-presidents shall be one, shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

First board.

Officers.

Quorum.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the object of the association hereby incorporated is to found in the city of Washington a hospital and dispensary for the treatment of diseases peculiar to women, and lying-in asylum, in which those unable to pay therefor shall be furnished with board, lodging, medicine, and medical attendance gratuitously, and to that end full powers are hereby conferred on the association.

Objects of the association.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That said corporation shall have power to accept, purchase, receive conveyances of, and hold property, either personal or real, to an amount necessary for the full accommodation, convenience, and support of the institution and those participating in its benefits.

Corporation may hold real and personal estate.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the property, personal or real,