Penalty for neglect.

said; and upon failure to do so he shall forfeit and pay fifty dollars to the party aggrieved, and all damages which he may have sustained in consequence of such failure or neglect.

How defendant may discharge the lien.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That in all proceedings, commenced under this act, the defendant may file a written undertaking, with surety to be approved by the court, to the effect that he will pay the judgment that may be recovered, and costs, and thereby release his property from the lien hereby created.

Persons in possession of, and performing labor on, any personal property at owner's request, to have lien.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That any person, having possession of the same, who shall make, alter, repair, or bestow any labor on any article of personal property, at the request of the owner or lawful possessor thereof, shall have a lien on such property so made, altered, or repaired, or upon which labor has been bestowed, for his just and reasonable charges for the labor he has performed and the materials he has furnished; and such person may hold and retain possession of the same until such just and reasonable charges shall be paid; but if possession pass from such person by his consent, the lien shall cease.

If no special agreement.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of section twelve of this act shall not interfere with any special agreement of the parties.

Act, 1833, ch. 80, vol. iv. p. 659, &c. repealed.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That the act entitled "An act to secure to mechanics and others," &c., approved March second, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

This act to take effect from its passage.

APPROVED, February 2, 1859.

Feb. 2, 1859.

CHAP. XVIII.—*An Act to provide for the Lighting with Gas certain Streets across the Mall.*

Appropriation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of six thousand four hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for laying down gas pipes and erecting gas lamps on Four-and-a-half street, Seventh street, and Twelfth street, across the plat of earth described in the plan of the city as reservation numbers two and three, com[m]only known as the Mall, the same to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings. This act shall be in force from its passage.

This act to take effect from its passage.

APPROVED, February 2, 1859.

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1818, ch. 123.

CHAP. XIX.—*An Act to fix and regulate the Compensation of Receivers and Registers of the Land-Offices under the Provisions of the Act approved April twentieth, eighteen hundred and eighteen.*

Construction of act, 1818, ch. 123, vol. iii. p. 466.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act for changing the compensation of receivers and registers of the land-offices," approved April twentieth, eighteen hundred and eighteen, shall be so construed by the proper accounting officers of the government as to restrict the aggregate amount allowed as compensation for the registers and receivers commissions on moneys received at any land-office in any one calendar year, to the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars each; and that the registers and receivers shall not receive for any one quarter or fractional quarter more than a pro rata allowance of said maximum of twenty-five hundred dollars. Their compensation, both for salary and commissions, to commence and be calculated from the time they enter on the discharge of their duties.

Pay not to exceed $2500 per annum.

And pro rata per quarter.

When pay to commence.

APPROVED, February 2, 1859.

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