loan, power, franchise, aid, or assistance, to its own use, for the purpose aforesaid: *Provided*, That any such grant or donation, power, aid, or assistance from any Indian tribe or nation shall be subject to the approval of the President of the United States.

Grant from any Indian tribe to be subject to the approval of the President of the United States.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted*, That the Southern Pacific Railroad, a company incorporated under the laws of the State of California, is hereby authorized to connect with the said Atlantic and Pacific Railroad, formed under this act, at such point, near the boundary line of the State of California, as they shall deem most suitable for a railroad line to San Francisco, and shall have a uniform gauge and rate of freight or fare with said road; and in consideration thereof, to aid in its construction, shall have similar grants of land, subject to all the conditions and limitations herein provided, and shall be required to construct its road on the like regulations, as to time and manner, with the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad herein provided for.

Southern Pacific R. R. Co. may connect with the Atlantic and Pacific road.

Point of connection.

Gauge and rates of fare.

May have similar grants of land on like terms.

SEC. 19. *And be it further enacted*, That unless the said Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company shall obtain bona fide subscriptions to the stock of said company to the amount of one million of dollars, with ten per centum paid, within two years after the passage of and approval of this act, it shall be null and void.

This act to be void, unless, &c.

SEC. 20. *And be it further enacted*, That the better to accomplish the object of this act, namely, to promote the public interest and welfare by the construction of said railroad and telegraph line, and keeping the same in working order, and to secure to the government at all times, but particularly in time of war, the use and benefits of the same for postal, military, and other purposes, Congress may, at any time, having due regard for the rights of said Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company, add to, alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Act may be altered or repealed.

SEC. 21. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever in any grant of land or other subsidies, made or hereafter to be made, to railroads or other corporations, the United States has reserved the right, or shall reserve it, to appoint directors, engineers, commissioners or other agents to examine said roads, or act in conjunction with other officers of said company or companies, all the costs, charges, and pay of said directors, engineers, commissioners, or agents, shall be paid by the respective companies. Said directors, engineers, commissioners, or agents shall be paid for said services the sum of ten dollars per day, for each and every day actually and necessarily employed, and ten cents per mile for each and every mile actually and necessarily travelled, in discharging the duties required of them, which per diem and mileage shall be in full compensation for said services. And in case any company shall refuse or neglect to make such payments, no more patents for lands or other subsidies shall be issued to said company until these requirements are complied with.

When in grants to corporations, the United States reserves the right to appoint directors, or agents, &c. all costs, pay, &c. of such persons are to be borne by the corporations.

Rate of pay to such persons.

If company neglects to make such payments, no more patents for lands, &c. to issue.

APPROVED, July 27, 1866.

CHAP. CCLXXIX. — *An Act to incorporate the General Hospital of the District of Columbia.* July 27, 1866.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Joseph Henry, James C. Hall, Amos Kendall, Thomas Miller, Richard Wallach, George W. Riggs, Grafton Tyler, Henry D. Cooke, D. W. Middleton, Charles Knap, Benjamin B. French, James C. McGuire, Charles H. Nichols, William B. Todd, William Gunton, Edward Simms, and Thomas Young; and their successors in office, are hereby made, declared, and constituted a corporation and body politic, in law and in fact, under the name and style of the Directors of the General Hospital of the District of Columbia, and by that name they shall be, and are hereby, made capable in law to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, in any court within the county of Wash-

General Hospital of the District of Columbia incorporated.

Name and powers of corporation.

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ington, in the District of Columbia, to have and use a common seal, and to alter and amend the same at pleasure; to have, purchase, receive, possess, and enjoy any estates in lands, tenements, annuities, goods, chattels, moneys, or effects, and to grant, demise, and dispose of the same in such manner as they may deem most for the interest of the hospital: *Provided*, That the annual income from the same held by such corporation shall not exceed in value the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Annual income of property not to exceed, &c.

President and other officers.

Vacancies.

Powers of corporation.

Property to be devoted to what purposes.

By-laws.

Act may be altered.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said corporation and body politic shall have full power to appoint from their own body a president and such other officers as they may deem necessary for the purposes of their creation; and in case of the death, resignation, or refusal to serve of any of their number, the remaining members shall elect and appoint other persons in lieu of those whose places may have been vacated; and the said corporation shall have full power and all the rights of opening and keeping a hospital in the city of Washington, for the care of such sick, wounded, and invalid persons as may place themselves under the care of said corporation, and the property held by said corporation shall be devoted exclusively to the purposes of such hospital.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the said corporation shall also have and enjoy full power and authority to make such by-laws, rules, and regulations as may be necessary for the general accomplishment of the objects of such hospital: *Provided*, That they be not inconsistent with the laws in force in the District of Columbia: *And provided further*, That this act shall be liable to be amended, altered, or repealed at the pleasure of Congress.

Approved, July 27, 1866.

July 27, 1866.

CHAP. CCLXXX. — *An Act in Relation to the District Courts of the United States in the States of California and Louisiana.*

California and Louisiana respectively to form only one judicial district.

How called.

Judges, marshals, and attorneys.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the southern judicial district of the State of California and the western district of Louisiana shall be, and the same are hereby, abolished, and hereafter the said States shall respectively constitute one judicial district, and shall respectively be called the districts of California and Louisiana. The district judge, marshal, and district attorney of the United States for the northern district of California and the eastern district of Louisiana shall respectively possess and exercise the same powers and jurisdiction in said district courts of California and Louisiana as they now possess and exercise in their respective districts.

Pending, &c. process.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all actions, suits, and proceedings, civil or criminal, which shall have been commenced, and at the time of the passage of this act shall be pending in the southern district of California or the western district of Louisiana, and all process, orders, judgments, decrees, records, or other papers or proceedings relating thereto or filed therein, shall be transferred to the said district courts of California and Louisiana respectively, which courts shall possess and exercise over such actions, suits, and proceedings, and the process, orders, judgments, decrees, records, and other papers and proceedings so transferred, the same authority and jurisdiction as they would have had if such actions, suits, and proceedings had been commenced in said courts; and no indictment, writ, process, recognizance, or other proceeding returnable to or to be heard, tried, or considered in the said southern district of California or said western district of Louisiana shall be abated, discontinued, or rendered void by the transfer thereof as aforesaid.

Clerks of southern district of California and western district

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the clerks of the said southern district of California and the said western district of Louisiana shall, as soon as practicable after the passage of this act, deliver to and deposit