tively, of the appraised value, or in case said owner or owners refuse or neglect for thirty days after the appraisement of the cash value of the said real estate or improvements by any of said courts to demand the same from the Secretary of War, upon depositing the said appraised value in the said court, making such appraisement to the credit of said owner or owners, respectively, be vested in the United States, and its jurisdiction over said real estate shall be exclusive and the same as its jurisdiction over real estate purchased, ceded, or appropriated for the purposes of navy yards, forts, and arsenals. And the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and required to pay to the several owner or owners, respectively, the appraised value of the several pieces or parcels of real estate, as specified in the appraisement of any of said courts, or to pay into any of said courts by deposit, as hereinbefore provided, the said appraised value; and the sum necessary for such purpose may be taken from any moneys appropriated for the purposes of this act.

value, to be vested in the United States.

Jurisdiction exclusive, &c.

Owner to be paid the appraised value.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to carry out the purposes of this act out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation.

APPROVED, February 22, 1867.

CHAP. LXII. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the National Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphan Home," approved July twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.*

Feb. 22, 1867.

1866, ch. 249. *Ante*, p. 247.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the board of trustees of the National Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphan Home shall hereafter consist of seven persons, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business; and D. K. Carter, Henry D. Cooke, Amos B. Eaton, J. W. Alvord, Horatio Bridge, Byron Sunderland, and Franklin A. Dick are hereby declared to be the trustees of said corporation, and they and their successors shall have the entire control and management of all property, moneys, and other securities now held or used for the benefit of said corporation, or which shall hereafter belong to it; and the said board of trustees shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring by death, resignation, or otherwise.

Board of trustees of National Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphan Home.
Number.
Quorum.
Names.
Powers.

Vacancies.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That immediately upon their organization the trustees shall elect a board of lady managers, consisting of thirteen persons, who shall have power to superintend and manage the internal affairs of the asylum, and to fill vacancies in their own board, to make their own by-laws, rules, and regulations, to hold their offices till the second Wednesday in January, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight; their successors to be elected annually by the board of managers in the manner which their by-laws shall prescribe.

Board of lady managers.
Election.
Powers, by-laws, &c.
Vacancies.
Term of office.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the surviving parent or legal guardian of any child placed under charge of said corporation may withdraw such child therefrom, and any minor over sixteen years of age, upon his or her request in writing, shall be discharged therefrom, at the discretion of the managers.

Parents, &c. may withdraw children.
Minors over sixteen to be discharged on their written request.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the act to which this is amendatory as is inconsistent with this act be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Repealing clause.

APPROVED, February 22, 1867.

CHAP. LXIII. — *An Act to regulate Proceedings before Justices of the Peace in the District of Columbia, and for other Purposes.*

Feb. 22, 1867.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That justices of the peace in the District of Columbia shall have jurisdiction in all cases where the

Civil jurisdiction of justices

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