

poration, to audit its accounts, and submit, in a report to the President of the United States, the financial results of the centennial exhibition.

SEC. 11. That the commission created by the act referred to in the preamble of this act is hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate in law, with power to do such acts, and enter into such obligations, as may be promotive of the purposes for which such commission was established. Its title shall be the United States Centennial Commission. It shall have a common and corporate seal, and possess all the rights incident to corporate existence.

United States Centennial Commission made a corporation.

SEC. 12. That the alternate commissioners appointed pursuant to section four of the act approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, referred to in the preamble to this act, shall have all the powers of a commissioner when the commissioner is not present at any meeting. When the commissioner is present the alternate may participate in the debates and serve on committees, but shall have no vote. The appointment of all commissioners and alternate commissioners made since March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, are hereby ratified and confirmed; and all vacancies now existing, or which may hereafter exist, whether by death, resignation, removal from the State or Territory, or otherwise, shall be filled, at any time hereafter, in like manner as is provided in said act of March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, for the appointment of commissioners.

Power of alternate commissioners.

Appointment of commissioners and alternates ratified.

Vacancies.

SEC. 13. That it shall be the duty of the United States Centennial Commission to make report, from time to time, to the President of the United States, of the progress of the work, and in a final report present a full exhibit of the result of the United States Centennial Celebration and Exhibition of eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

United States Centennial Commission to make report.

APPROVED, June 1, 1872.

CHAP. CCLX. — *An Act in Relation to the Construction of a new Jail for the District of Columbia.*

June 1, 1872.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, the chief justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, and the governor of said District are hereby created a board of commissioners, with full power to carry out the provisions of the act of Congress approved July twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, entitled "An act authorizing the construction of a jail in and for the District of Columbia," and the acts amendatory thereof; and the said commissioners are directed to cause the work of building the jail therein provided for to be entered upon without delay: *Provided,* That the said board shall have authority to change the site heretofore selected, and adopt such plans as shall, to the said commissioners, seem to be for the best interests of the District of Columbia. And the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to place to the credit of the Secretary of the Interior the sum of three hundred thousand dollars, which said sum the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to expend in the construction of a jail, as is herein provided; and in order that the work upon said jail shall begin without delay, the appropriation herein made shall take effect immediately: *Provided,* That the plans and designs for said jail shall be prepared by the supervising architect of the Treasury Department, and the work shall be done under his supervision, subject to the approval of said commissioners.

Board of commissioners to build jail in the District of Columbia;

who to constitute, their powers, &c.

1866, ch. 236.
Vol. xiv. p. 231.
1867, ch. 152.
Vol. xiv. p. 428.
Vol. xiv. p. 575.
Vol. xv. p. 245.
Change of site.

Appropriation.

Plans, &c.

SEC. 2. That for the purpose of reimbursing the United States for a part of the cost of said jail, it shall be the duty of the legislative assembly of the District of Columbia, and they are hereby required, to assess and cause to be collected, by tax or otherwise, and pay in[to] the treasury of the United States, at or before the completion of said jail, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars; and upon default of the payment of the sum aforesaid into the treasury of the United States at

District of Columbia to raise by tax \$125,000 for part of cost of jail.

Tax, how to be levied and collected.

the time before mentioned, the Secretary of the Interior shall appoint a collector, whose duty it shall be to proceed with the collection of the taxes as assessed by the legislative assembly in such manner and form as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior. And if the said District of Columbia shall neglect, fail, or refuse to assess such tax, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and empowered to make such levy and proceed to its collection as aforesaid. And all acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, June 1, 1872.

June 1, 1872. CHAP. CCLXI. — *An Act granting a Right of Way to the Utah, Idaho, and Montana Railroad Company.*

Right of way through public lands granted to the Utah, Idaho & Montana R. R. Co., for railroad and telegraph purposes.
Corporation legalized;

may increase its capital stock;

may take materials, &c., from public lands, &c.

No private property to be taken except by, &c.
1864, ch. 216, § 3.
Vol. xiii. p. 357.
1862, ch. 120.
Vol. xii. p. 489.

Corporation may mortgage its road, &c., for not over, &c., and issue bonds.

Proviso.

Other roads may be built through any defile on the route of this road.

Road when to be located and completed.

Act may be altered, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of enabling the Utah, Idaho, and Montana Railroad Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the Territory of Utah, which said organization is hereby legalized and made valid, to build and extend their line by way of Malade River and Snake River valleys, through Utah, Idaho, and Montana Territories, to a connection with the Northern Pacific railroad, or with the Helena and Utah Northern railroad, by the most eligible route, to be selected by said company, the right of way to the extent of one hundred feet in width on each side of the centre of said road, through the public lands, be, and the same is hereby, granted to said company, their successors and assigns, for the construction of a railroad and telegraph from Corinne city, Utah Territory, to the Northern Pacific railroad, or to said Helena and Northern Utah railroad, as said company may elect, together with the right to increase their capital stock in proportion to the increased length of their line by resolution of their board of directors, and the filing with the auditor of public accounts of Utah of an additional certificate setting forth said increase, and to take from the public lands adjacent to the line of said road material of earth, stone, timber, and water for the construction and maintenance thereof, and the necessary ground for station-buildings, work-shops, depots, machine-shops, switches, side-tracks, turn-tables, and water-stations, not exceeding twenty acres for every ten miles of the main line of said road: *Provided,* That no private property shall be taken for the use of said company except in manner prescribed by the laws of Utah Territory, or by section three of an act entitled "An act to amend 'An act to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from the Missouri river to the Pacific ocean, and to secure to the government the use of the same for postal, military, and other purposes,' approved July first, eighteen hundred and sixty-two," approved July second, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

SEC. 2. That said company shall be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to mortgage, in the usual manner, their franchise, road-bed, and all property belonging to said company, to an amount not exceeding thirty thousand dollars per mile for the entire length of said road, upon such terms as may seem to them best; and upon said mortgage may issue mortgage-bonds, not to exceed thirty thousand dollars per mile: *Provided,* That in no case shall the United States be responsible for said bonds.

SEC. 3. That the rights herein granted shall not preclude the construction of other roads through any canyon, defile, or pass on the route of said road; nor shall any thing herein contained be construed as recognizing or denying the authority of the governor and legislature of Utah Territory to create railroad corporations.

SEC. 4. That said company shall locate said railroad and telegraph line within eighteen months from the passage of this act, and shall complete the same within ten years thereafter, failing in which this act shall be null and void.

SEC. 5. That Congress hereby reserves the right to alter, amend or