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diately available.

Vol. 21, chap. 69,
p. 328, repealed.

eighteen hundred and seventy-three, and for other purposes:" *Provided*, That the condemnation proceedings, if any such proceedings are necessary, shall not prevent the taking possession, on payment of the purchase-money, of the Aqueduct Bridge by the United States, and opening the same to the public as a free bridge, if the same shall be acquired under the first section: *Provided further*, That the sum of ten thousand dollars of the sum hereby appropriated shall be available to meet the payments under condemnation proceedings, if any shall be had.

SEC. 4. The act approved February twenty-third, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, entitled "An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Potomac River at or near Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes," is hereby repealed.

Approved, June 21, 1886.

June 29, 1886.

CHAP. 567.—An act to legalize the incorporation of National Trades Unions.

National Trade
Union.
Definition.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the term "National Trade Union," in the meaning of this act, shall signify any association of working people having two or more branches in the States or Territories of the United States for the purpose of aiding its members to become more skillful and efficient workers, the promotion of their general intelligence, the elevation of their character, the regulation of their wages and their hours and conditions of labor, the protection of their individual rights in the prosecution of their trade or trades, the raising of funds for the benefit of sick, disabled, or unemployed members, or the families of deceased members, or for such other object or objects for which working people may lawfully combine, having in view their mutual protection or benefit.

Incorporation.

SEC. 2. That National Trade Unions shall, upon filing their articles of incorporation in the office of the recorder of the District of Columbia, become a corporation under the technical name by which said National Trade Union desires to be known to the trade; and shall have the right to sue and be sued, to implead and be impleaded, to grant and receive, in its corporate or technical name, property, real, personal, and mixed, and to use said property, and the proceeds and income thereof, for the objects of said corporation as in its charter defined: *Provided*, That each union may hold only so much real estate as may be required for the immediate purposes of its incorporation.

Constitutions,
rules, and by-laws.

SEC. 3. That an incorporated National Trade Union shall have power to make and establish such constitution, rules, and by-laws as it may deem proper to carry out its lawful objects, and the same to alter, amend, add to, or repeal at pleasure.

Duties of officers,
etc.

SEC. 4. That an incorporated National Trade Union shall have power to define the duties and powers of all its officers, and prescribe their mode of election and term of office, to establish branches and sub-unions in any Territory of the United States.

Headquarters.

SEC. 5. That the headquarters of an incorporated National Trade Union shall be located in the District of Columbia.

Approved, June 29, 1886.

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CHAP. 568.—An act to reduce the fee on domestic money-orders for sums not exceeding five dollars.

Money-order fee
reduced.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fee for each domestic money-order not exceeding in amount five dollars shall be reduced from eight cents to five cents.

SEC. 2. That this act shall take effect within one month after the date of its approval by the President.

Approved, June 29, 1886.