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the site for said building shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Indiana shall have ceded to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said State and the service of civil process therein.

Approved, August 27, 1888.

CHAP. 916.—An act to regulate the subdivision of land within the District of Columbia. August 27, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to make and publish such general orders as may be necessary to regulate the platting and subdividing of all lands and grounds in the District of Columbia; and no such plat of subdivision made in pursuance of such orders shall be admitted to record in the office of the surveyor of said District without an order to that effect indorsed thereon by the Commissioners of said District. District of Columbia. Platting and subdivision of land.

SEC. 2. That all spaces on any duly recorded plat of land thereon designated as streets, avenues, or alleys shall thereupon become public ways, provided they are made in conformity with the provisions of section one of this act, and as such be under the protection of the laws and ordinances in force applicable to public roads out of said city. Streets, avenues, and alleys.

SEC. 3. That if by the extension of any of the present streets or avenues, or the opening of any public way, it becomes necessary to traverse any grounds now used as a cemetery, or place of burial, the Commissioners are hereby empowered to secure a right of way through the same by stipulation with the proprietors thereof. Right of way for extension of streets.

SEC. 4. That the orders of the Commissioners made pursuant to this act shall have the force and effect of law, thirty days subsequent to the day of publication; and all laws and provisions of laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. Orders.

SEC. 5. No future subdivision of land in the District of Columbia, without the limits of the cities of Washington and Georgetown, shall be recorded in the surveyors office of the said District unless made in conformity with the general plan of the city of Washington. Future subdivisions.

Approved, August 27, 1888.

CHAP. 917.—An act authorizing the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company to lay tracks, and so forth, in the District of Columbia. August 27, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company, a corporation created by and existing under the laws of the State of Virginia, to run and operate steam locomotives and trains of cars for the transportation of passengers and freight within the District of Columbia as hereinafter provided; and the said Richmond and Danville Railroad Company may put down, construct, and use one or more tracks along Maryland avenue, in the city of Washington, from its western terminus to and across Thirteenth and one-half street to block two hundred and sixty-nine, and thence obliquely through said block and over and across E and Thirteenth streets to block three hundred, and it shall be lawful for said Richmond and Danville Railroad Company to put down, construct, and use one or more tracks from said block two hundred and sixty-nine over and across District of Columbia. Richmond and Danville Railroad Company may lay tracks in. Location.