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PUBLIC ACTS OF THE FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES

Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the fifth day of December, 1892, and was adjourned without day on Friday, the third day of March, 1893.

BENJAMIN HARRISON, President; LEVI P. MORTON, Vice-President and President of the Senate; CHARLES F. MANDERSON, President *pro tempore* of the Senate; CHARLES FREDERICK CRISP, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAP. 1.—An act terminating the reduction in the numbers of the Engineer Corps of the Navy. December 16, 1892.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the reduction in the numbers of the Engineer Corps of the Navy provided for in the act approved August fifth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, shall be considered as having ceased on the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and ninety-one.

Navy.
Reductions in Engineer Corps terminated.
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SEC. 2. That any and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, December 16, 1892.

CHAP. 6.—An act making Saturday a half holiday for banking and trust company purposes in the District of Columbia. December 22, 1892.

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 trust companies, banks, and bankers in the city of Washington to close their doors for business at twelve o'clock noon on each and every Saturday in the year, and every Saturday in the year after twelve o'clock noon shall be a legal half holiday so far as regards the presenting for the payment or acceptance and the protesting and giving notice of the dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks, drafts, promissory notes, and other negotiable paper, and for these purposes shall be treated and considered as the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, without reference to whether any of said banks or trust companies do or do not close as aforesaid; and all such bills, checks, drafts, and notes presentable for acceptance or payment on Saturdays shall be deemed to be presentable for acceptance or payment on the secular or business day next succeeding: *Provided, however*, That all bills of exchange, drafts, and promissory notes made after the passage of this act, except those payable at sight or on demand, which shall be otherwise payable on any

District of Columbia.
Saturday to be half holiday for banks, etc.
Amended, see *post*, p. 755.
Presenting, protesting notes, etc.
Provisos.
Payment of notes, etc.