

the sum of one hundred dollars for each day of such failure: *And provided further*, That if said companies shall fail to operate the whole of their respective lines as provided by An Act entitled An Act to extend the routes of said railway companies, and so forth, approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, in such manner and on such schedules as the Commissioners shall approve, then said companies and each of them shall forfeit and pay to the District Commissioners the sum of one hundred dollars for each day of such failure.

Failure to operate.

SEC. 4. All acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

Repeal, etc.

Approved, February 3, 1897.

[No. 9.] Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of War to grant permits to the executive committee on inaugural ceremonies for use of reservations or public spaces in city of Washington on the occasion of the inauguration of the President-elect on March fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and so forth.

February 6, 1897.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to grant permits to the executive committee on inaugural ceremonies for the use of any reservations or other public spaces in the city of Washington on the occasion of the inauguration of the President-elect on the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, which, in his opinion, will inflict no serious or permanent injuries upon such reservations or public spaces or statuary thereon; and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may designate for such and other purposes on the occasion aforesaid such streets, avenues, and sidewalks in said city of Washington as they may deem proper and necessary: *Provided, however*, That all stands or platforms that may be erected on the public spaces aforesaid shall be under the supervision of the said executive committee and in accordance with plans and designs to be approved by the Architect of the Capitol, the Commissioner of Public Buildings and Grounds, and the building inspector of the District of Columbia.

Inaugural ceremonies.
Use of reservations, etc., permitted.

Proviso.
Stands.

SEC. 2. That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized to permit the committee on illumination of the citizens' executive committee for the inaugural ceremonies, March, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, to stretch suitable overhead conductors, with sufficient supports, wherever necessary, and in the nearest practicable connection with the present supply of light, for the purpose of effecting the said illumination: *Provided*, That the said conductors shall not be used for the conveying of electrical currents after March sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and shall, with their supports, be fully and entirely removed from the streets and avenues of the said city of Washington on or before March fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven: *Provided further*, That the stretching and removing of the said wires shall be under the supervision of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, who shall see that the provisions of this resolution are enforced, that all needful precautions are taken for the protection of the public, and that the pavement of any street, avenue, or alley disturbed is replaced in as good condition as before entering upon the work herein authorized: *Provided further*, That no expense or damage on account of or due to the stretching, operation, or removing of the said temporary overhead conductors shall be incurred by the United States or the District of Columbia: *Provided further*, That for the purposes of this Act the construction of additional underground conduits is specifically prohibited.

Temporary overhead wires for electric illumination.

Provisos.
Removal.

Supervision.

Expense.

Additional conduits prohibited.

SEC. 3. That eight thousand two hundred dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, payable from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated and from the revenues of the District of Columbia, in equal parts, is hereby appropriated to enable the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to maintain public order and protect life and

Appropriation for maintaining order, etc.

Regulations.

Fines, etc.

Loan of flags, etc.

Proviso.
Indemnity.

Temporary overhead
telegraph wires.

property in said District from the twenty-eighth of February to the ninth of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, both inclusive. Said Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to make all reasonable regulations necessary to secure such preservation of public order and protection of life and property, and fixing fares by public conveyances during said period. Any person violating any of such regulations shall be liable for each such offense to a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars in the police court of said District, and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment in the workhouse of said District for not longer than sixty days.

SEC. 4. That the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy be, and they are hereby, authorized to loan to the committee on inaugural ceremonies such ensigns, flags, and so forth (except battle flags), that are not now in use and may be suitable and proper for decoration and may be spared without detriment to the public service; such flags to be used by said committee under such regulations and restrictions as may be prescribed by the said Secretaries, or either of them, in decorating the fronts of public buildings and other places on the line of march between the Capitol and the Executive Mansion, and the interior of the reception hall: *Provided*, That the said committee shall indemnify the said Departments, or either of them, for any loss or damage to such flags not necessarily incident to such use.

SEC. 5. That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized to permit the Western Union Telegraph Company to extend overhead wires into the Pension Building and to such points along the line of parade as shall be deemed by the chief marshal convenient for use in connection with the parade and other inaugural purposes, the said wires to be taken down within ten days after the conclusion of the ceremonies on the fourth day of March, anno Domini eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved, February 6, 1897.

February 13, 1897.

[No. 10.] Joint Resolution Providing for the printing of the Consular Regulations of eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

Consular Regula-
tions, 1896.
Printing ordered.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be printed of the Consular Regulations of eighteen hundred and ninety-six, twenty-nine hundred copies, eight hundred copies for the use of the Senate, sixteen hundred copies for the use of the House of Representatives, and five hundred copies to be delivered to the Superintendent of Documents for sale.

Approved, February 13, 1897.

February 15, 1897.

[No. 11.] Joint Resolution For appointment of a member of Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

Volunteer Soldiers'
Home.
John Marshall
Brown appointed man-
ager.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That John Marshall Brown, of the State of Maine, be, and is hereby, appointed a member of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers of the United States, to succeed George L. Beal, deceased.

Approved, February 15, 1897.

February 17, 1897.

[No. 12.] Joint Resolution To furnish the daily Congressional Record to members of the press, and so forth.

Congressional Rec-
ord.
To be furnished news-
paper correspondents
daily.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Public Printer be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to supply to each newspaper correspondent whose name appears in the Congressional Directory, and who