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—penalty for dealing without license.

Any person engaging in said business without having previously obtained said special license shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, and in default of the payment of said fine the person convicted shall be imprisoned in the workhouse of the District of Columbia for a period of not more than six months.

Register of sales, etc., to be kept.

All persons whose business it is to sell, barter, hire, lend, or give any such weapon or weapons, shall be, and they are hereby, required to keep a written register of the name and residence of every purchaser, barterer, hirer, borrower, or donee of any such weapon or weapons, together with a full description of said weapon or weapons; which register shall be subject to the inspection of the major and superintendent of Metropolitan police of the District of Columbia, or other person by him authorized in that behalf, and further, to make report on or before the first Tuesday in each and every month, under oath, to said major and superintendent, of all such sales, barterings, hirings, lendings, or gifts made during the preceding month, together with a full description of said weapon or weapons and the name and residence of every purchaser, barterer, hirer, borrower, or donee of any such weapon or weapons.

—penalty for failure.

Any person or persons who shall refuse, neglect, or fail to keep said register as hereinbefore provided, or shall refuse, neglect, or fail to make said report at the time and in the manner provided for in this section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars, and in default of the payment of said fine the person convicted shall be imprisoned in the workhouse of the District of Columbia for a period of not more than sixty days, and the Commissioners of said District may revoke said license.

Half of fine to informer.

And one-half of every fine imposed under this section shall be paid to the informer, if any, whose information shall have led to the conviction of the person paying said fine."

Approved, May 11, 1898.

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May 12, 1898.

**CHAP. 296.**—An Act To increase the number of surgeons in the United States Army.

Army.
Assistant surgeons, number increased.
Vol. 28, p. 403.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the number of medical officers of the Army be increased by the addition of fifteen assistant surgeons with the rank of first lieutenant, to be appointed after examination by an army medical examining board, in accordance with existing regulations.

Contract surgeons.

SEC. 2. That in emergencies the Surgeon-General of the Army, with the approval of the Secretary of War, may appoint as many contract surgeons as may be necessary, at a compensation not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars per month.

Approved, May 12, 1898.

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May 14, 1898.

**CHAP. 297.**—An Act To provide a life-saving station on the westerly side of the harbor of Gloucester, Massachusetts.

Gloucester, Mass.
Life-saving station established at.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish a life-saving station on the westerly side of the harbor of Gloucester, Massachusetts, at such point as the General Superintendent of the Life-Saving Service may recommend.

Approved, May 14, 1898.