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Payment for improvements.

ments, or his assigns, then the appraised value of the improvements shall be paid to such party, or his assigns, and the remainder to the United States, and the Secretary of the Interior must be satisfied that the improvements shall have been paid for, as herein provided, before patent is issued to the purchaser of any of said lands: *Provided also*, That this Act shall not affect the lands in the existing Fort Walla Walla Military Reservation, area six hundred and nineteen acres and fifty-seven one-hundredths of an acre.

Lands excepted.

Approved, April 22, 1904.

April 22, 1904.
[S. 2133.]
[Public, No. 139.]

CHAP. 1416.—An Act To change the name of Madison, Sampson, and Samson streets to Church street.

District of Columbia. Names of Madison, Sampson, and Samson streets changed to Church street.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this Act the minor street passing through squares numbered one hundred and fifty-six, one hundred and eighty, one hundred and ninety-four, and two hundred and nine, lying between P and Q and Fourteenth and Eighteenth streets, in the District of Columbia, and known by the the names of Madison, Samson, and Sampson, shall hereafter be known and designated as Church street.

Approved, April 22, 1904.

April 22, 1904.
[S. 2878.]
[Public, No. 140.]

CHAP. 1417.—An Act Authorizing the laying of water mains and service sewers in the District of Columbia, the levying of assessments therefor, and for other purposes.

District of Columbia. Assessments for water mains, etc.
Post, p. 1043.

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, whenever in their judgment the same may be necessary for the public safety, health, comfort, or convenience, to construct water mains and service sewers in any street, avenue, road, or alley in the District of Columbia; and the assessor of said District shall levy assessments for the same against abutting property in the amount and manner hereinafter prescribed.

Water mains.
Rates of assessment.

SEC. 2. That for laying or constructing water mains in the District of Columbia assessments shall be levied at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per linear front foot against all lots or land abutting upon that part of the street, avenue, road, or alley in which a water main shall be laid, and that for laying or constructing service sewers in the District of Columbia assessments shall be levied at the rate of one dollar per linear front foot against all lots or land abutting upon that part of the street, avenue, road, or alley in which a sewer shall be laid: *Provided*, That assessments for water mains and service sewers in the case of lots or parcels of land not more than one hundred feet in depth shall be levied upon the fronts or rears of such lots or parcels of land, and not upon both the fronts and rears of such lots or parcels of land; but lots or parcels of land more than one hundred feet in depth, except corner lots, shall be assessed upon both their fronts and rears when water mains or service sewers are laid abutting the same: *Provided*, That corner lots shall be assessed for water mains and service sewers only on their short fronts with a depth of not exceeding one hundred feet; any excess of the other front over one hundred feet shall be subject to assessment, as hereinbefore provided: *Provided*, That the areas of all lots or parcels of land which have been assessed for water mains by the square foot under any previous

Sewers.
Rates of assessment.

Provisos.
Inside lots.

Corner lots.

Previous assessments.