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than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court having jurisdiction thereof.

"EXISTING CONTRACTS NOT AFFECTED BY ACT.

"SEC. 3. That the provisions of this Act shall not be so construed as to in any manner apply to or affect contractors or subcontractors, or to limit the hours of daily service of laborers or mechanics engaged upon a public work of the United States or of the District of Columbia, or persons employed to perform services similar to those of laborers and mechanics in connection with dredging or rock excavation in any river or harbor of the United States or of the District of Columbia, for which contracts have been entered into prior to the passing of this Act or may be entered into under the provisions of appropriation Acts approved prior to the passage of this Act." Existing contracts not affected.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall become effective and be in force on and after March first, nineteen hundred and thirteen. In effect March 1, 1913.

Approved, March 3, 1913.

CHAP. 107.—An Act To amend Subchapter II of Chapter XIX of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia. March 3, 1913. [H. R. 21709.]

[Public, No. 409.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Code of Law for the District of Columbia be amended by adding to Subchapter II of Chapter XIX the following section: District of Columbia Code. Vol. 31, p. 1328, amended.

"SEC. 851 a. Whoever shall be guilty of any offense defined in sections eight hundred and thirty-four, eight hundred and thirty-five, eight hundred and thirty-six, eight hundred and thirty-seven, and eight hundred and thirty-eight of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia shall, where the thing, evidence of debt, property, proceeds or profits be of the value of not more than thirty-five dollars, be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year or a fine of not more than five hundred dollars, or both." Embezzlement by clerk, etc., of minor value. Punishment for.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall take effect upon its passage. Effect.

Approved, March 3, 1913.

CHAP. 108.—An Act To amend Subchapter II of Chapter XIX of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia. March 3, 1913. [H. R. 21714.]

[Public, No. 410.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Code of Law for the District of Columbia be amended by adding to Subchapter II of Chapter XIX the following section: District of Columbia Code. Vol. 31, p. 1328, amended.

"SEC. 851 b. That if any person entrusted with the possession of anything of value, including things savoring of the realty, for the purpose of applying the same for the use and benefit of the owner or person so delivering it, shall fraudulently convert the same to his own use he shall, where the value of the thing so converted is thirty-five dollars or more, be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than ten years, or by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars, or both; and where the value of the thing so converted is less than thirty-five dollars he shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars, or both: *Provided*, That nothing contained in this section shall be construed to alter or repeal the foregoing sections contained in Subchapter II of Chapter XIX of this code." Conversion by trustee. Punishment for. *Proviso.* Foregoing sections of Code not altered.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall take effect upon its passage. Effect.

Approved, March 3, 1913.