

adopted, for the regulation of the Indian service, so far as the same may be applicable. Each of the agents appointed as aforesaid shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, give bond in such penalties and with such conditions and such security as the President or Secretary of the Interior may require, and shall hold his office for the term of four years, unless sooner removed by the President, and shall receive an annual salary at the rate of eighteen hundred dollars.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That there may be appointed, in the manner prescribed by law, for each of said reservations, if in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior the welfare of said Indians shall require it, one physician, one blacksmith, one assistant blacksmith, one farmer, and one carpenter, who shall each receive compensation at rates to be determined by the Secretary of the Interior, not exceeding fifty dollars per month.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That hereafter, when it shall become necessary to survey any Indian or other reservations, or any lands, the same shall be surveyed under the direction and control of the general land-office, and as nearly as may be in conformity to the rules and regulations under which other public lands are surveyed.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That all Indian agents shall reside at their respective agencies, and shall in no case be permitted to visit the city of Washington except when ordered to do so by the commissioner of Indian affairs. And it is hereby made the duty of the said commissioner to report all cases of the violation of this section to the President, with the request that the agents disregarding the provisions herein contained be at once removed from office.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby, repealed; and all offices and employments connected with Indian affairs in California not provided for in this act be, and the same are hereby, abolished.

APPROVED, April 8, 1864.

CHAP. XLIX. — *An Act to incorporate the Union Gaslight Company of the District of Columbia.* April 8, 1864.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Sayles J. Bowen, William Elmer, William Bates, Robert W. Milbank, Andrew M. Kinney, William H. Baldwin, Z. D. Gilman, D. C. Forney, S. P. Brown, John Green, and Gamaliel Gay, and their associates and assigns, be, and they are hereby, created a body corporate, under the name of "The Union Gas-light Company of the District of Columbia," with authority to manufacture and sell gas, to be made of coal, zinc, oil, tar, pitch, peat, turpentine, or other material, and to be used in lighting the city of Washington and the streets thereof, and any buildings, manufactories, or houses therein situated, and to lay mains and pipes for the purpose of conducting gas in any of the avenues, streets, lanes, or alleys of the said city: *Provided, however*, That the said company shall so conduct the manufacture, and lay said mains and pipes, as not to create a nuisance or injure either private or public property: *And provided, further*, That the said mains and pipes shall be laid subject to such conditions and in compliance with such regulations as may be prescribed by the municipal authorities of the city of Washington; and the right to erect and establish any buildings, apparatus, or machinery for the manufacture of gas, shall be subject to such regulations and restrictions as may be from time to time prescribed by the said municipal authorities of Washington.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the capital stock of the said company shall not be less than five hundred thousand, nor more than one million dollars, and that the said stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and shall be deemed personal property and

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be transferable in such manner as the by-laws of said company may direct.

Subscription
books to be
opened.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That within six days after this act is approved by the President of the United States, the corporators named in the first section, or a majority of them, or, if any refuse or neglect to act, then a majority of the others, shall cause books of subscription to the capital stock of said company to be opened and kept open in some convenient place in the city of Washington, from nine o'clock in the forenoon till three o'clock in the afternoon, for a period of not less than three days, and as much longer as the said corporators shall prescribe, and the said corporators shall give public notice of the time and place of opening said books of subscription, by advertisement thereof in the daily papers published in the city of Washington, and subscribers to the capital stock of said company shall be held to be stockholders: *Provided*, That every subscriber shall pay at the time of subscribing twenty-five per centum of the amount subscribed by him to the treasurer, who shall be appointed by the said corporators to receive the same, or his subscription shall be null and void.

Payment at
time of subscrip-
tion.

First meeting.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That when the minimum amount of the capital stock of said company, as prescribed in the second section, shall have been subscribed, and twenty-five per centum thereof paid as aforesaid, the said corporators, or a majority of them, and in case any refuse to act, then a majority of the others, shall, within fifteen days thereafter, call the first meeting of the stockholders of said company, to be held at some convenient place in the city of Washington, for the election of directors, of the time and place whereof notice shall be given for at least five days in at least two daily newspapers published in the city of Washington, or by written notice thereof, signed by one or more of said corporators, and personally served on each stockholder; and in all meetings of the stockholders each share shall entitle the holder to one vote, to be given either in person or by proxy.

Notice.

Voting.

President and
directors.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the government and direction of the affairs of the company shall be vested in the board of directors, composed of seven members, who shall be stockholders, and who shall hold their office for the term of one year, and until others are duly elected and qualified to take their places as directors; and the said directors shall elect one of their number to be president of the board, who shall also be president of the company, and a majority of the board shall constitute a quorum to do business; and they shall choose a treasurer, who shall give bond with sufficient surety to said company, in such sum as the said directors may require, for the faithful discharge of his trust. In case of a vacancy in the board of directors by death, resignation, removal, refusal to act, or otherwise, the vacancy occasioned thereby shall be filled by the other directors.

Quorum.

Treasurer.

Vacancies.

Annual meet-
ing.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be an annual meeting of the stockholders, for the election of directors, to be held at such time and place, and under such rules and regulations as the said company in their by-laws shall prescribe, and the directors shall make an annual report in writing of their proceedings to the stockholders.

By-laws.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the directors shall have full power to make all such by-laws as they shall deem necessary for the regulation, management, and disposition of the stock, effects, and property of the said company, and for the proper execution of the business of the company, so as the same shall not be contrary to this charter, to the laws of the United States, or to the ordinances of the city of Washington.

Notes, &c., not
to be issued as
currency.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to authorize the said company to issue any note, token, device, scrip, or other evidence of debt to be used as a currency.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons shall

willfully destroy, or in anywise injure the mains, pipes, apparatus, or other works, property, or appurtenances belonging to and used by said company in manufacturing gas or in furnishing the same to consumers thereof, the person or persons so offending shall, for every such offence, forfeit and pay to the said company the sum of five dollars, and shall, in addition to said penalty, remain liable to said company for any loss or damage occasioned by the offence.

Willful destruction or injury to pipes, &c., how punished.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the said company is hereby incorporated upon the express conditions that it shall furnish gas to all the consumers thereof containing fifty per centum more illuminating power than that which is now furnished by the "Washington Gas-light Company," and at a cost not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents per thousand cubic feet; and a failure to comply with these conditions shall operate as a forfeiture of this charter.

Quality and price of gas.

Forfeiture.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the said company shall not be authorized to sell gas until it shall have produced to the mayor of the city of Washington and to the Secretary of the Interior satisfactory evidence that it has laid down, in a proper and workmanlike manner, in the avenues and streets of the said city, gas mains of an average diameter of at least six inches and a total length of not less than twenty-five miles; nor shall the said company connect its gas mains with the pipes supplying the capitol and other public buildings belonging to the United States, or sell gas, until it shall have produced to the Secretary of the Interior satisfactory evidence that it has erected and in operation good and substantial works and holders capable of manufacturing and storing a quantity of gas, of the quality aforesaid, sufficient to supply the consumption at all times required in the capitol and public buildings aforesaid. And unless the said company shall have complied with the requirements and conditions in this section prescribed within two years from the passage of this act, the said act shall be null and void: *Provided, however*, That said company shall have the privilege, at any time within the said two years, of lighting with the gas manufactured by it some one street a distance not exceeding one mile.

Company not to sell gas until, &c.

Pipes to be laid and works completed in two years.
Proviso.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That each of the stockholders in the "Union Gas-light Company" of the District of Columbia shall be held liable in his or her individual capacity for all the debts and liabilities of the said company, however contracted or incurred, to be recovered by suit as other debts or liabilities, before the court or tribunal having jurisdiction of the case.

Stockholders individually liable.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That this act may at any time be altered, amended, or repealed by the Congress of the United States.

Act may be altered or repealed.

APPROVED, April 8, 1864.

CHAP. L. — *An Act to incorporate Providence Hospital of the City of Washington, District of Columbia.*

April 8, 1864.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Lucy Gwynn, Teresa Angela Costello, Sarah McDonald, Mary E. Spalding, and Mary Carroll, and their successors in office, are hereby made, declared, and constituted a corporation and body politic, in law and in fact, under the name and style of the directors of Providence Hospital, and by that name they shall be and are hereby made capable in law to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, in any court within the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia; to have and use a common seal, and to alter or amend the same at pleasure; to have, purchase, receive, possess, and enjoy, any estate in lands, tenements, annuities, goods, chattels, moneys, or effects, and to grant, devise, or dispose of the same in such manner as they may deem most for the interest of the hospital: *Provided*, That the

Providence hospital incorporated.

Name.

Powers.