

February 18, 1897.

CHAP. 251.—An Act To provide a life-saving station at or near Point Arena, Mendocino County, in the State of California.

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 is hereby authorized to establish a life-saving station at or near Point Arena, Mendocino County, in the State of California.

Received by the President, February 6, 1897.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

February 19, 1897.

CHAP. 263.—An Act To amend the Act creating the circuit court of appeals in regard to fees and costs, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second section of an Act to establish circuit courts of appeals, passed March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, be amended so that the clause therein which now reads, "The costs and fees in the Supreme Court now provided for by law shall be costs and fees in the circuit courts of appeals," shall read, "The costs and fees in each circuit court of appeals shall be fixed and established by said court in a table of fees, to be adopted within three months after the passage of this Act: *Provided,* That the costs and fees so fixed by any court of appeals shall not, with respect to any item, exceed the costs and fees now charged in the Supreme Court." Each circuit court of appeals shall, within three months after the fixing and establishing of costs and fees as aforesaid, transmit said table to the Chief Justice of the United States, and within one year thereof the Supreme Court of the United States shall revise said table, making the same, so far as may seem just and reasonable, uniform throughout the United States. The table of fees, when so revised, shall thereupon be in force for each circuit.

Approved, February 19, 1897.

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CHAP. 264.—An Act Conferring jurisdiction upon the supreme court of the District of Columbia, having general equity jurisdiction, to decree the sale, lease or surrender of any lease of real estate in said District, belonging to insane persons, for purpose of reinvestment, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That where any insane person, lunatic, idiot, or person non compos mentis is or shall be seized or possessed of or entitled to any lands, tenements, hereditaments, or real estate whatsoever, or any right, title, or interest therein, legal or equitable, in possession, reversion, or remainder, or any right of dower inchoate or consummate, or right by the curtesy, it shall and may be lawful for a justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia holding an equity court, or any court in said District having general equity jurisdiction, upon the petition of the guardian or guardians, trustee or trustees, or committee of such insane person, lunatic, idiot, or person non compos mentis, and his or her appearance by guardian, to be appointed by the said justice or court aforesaid, and upon the hearing and examination of all the circumstances, and upon its appearing to the said justice or court aforesaid, as hereinafter provided, that it will be for the interest and advantage of such insane person, lunatic,

District of Columbia.

Sale of real property of lunatics on order of court.

Circuit courts of appeals.
Costs and fees to be established by each court.

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Proviso.
Not to exceed Supreme Court charges.

Revision by Supreme Court.