

from whence they issued, shall constitute one and the same suit, and be proceeded in accordingly.

SEC. 5. That the rules of court heretofore adopted, and now of force in the district court for the northern district of Georgia, be, and they are hereby declared to be, adopted and of force in the circuit court of said northern district; but the same may be altered, modified, amended, or annulled by the said courts, and new rules may be added thereto in the same manner as in other district and circuit courts. The return-days of writs and executions returnable to the said district and the said circuit courts shall be the first days of the terms of said courts respectively, but the time for the return of writs may be, by rule of court, changed to any rules-day.

Rules of district court for northern district to be in force in circuit court.

Return-days of writs, &c.

SEC. 6. That the grand and traverse juries which have been or which may be drawn for the first term after the passage of this act, of the district court for the northern district of Georgia, shall be the juries for both the circuit and the district court; and all the acts as such in either court shall be valid, as if said juries belonged exclusively to the court in which they are acting for the time being.

Grand and traverse juries;

SEC. 7. That it shall be lawful for the requisite jurors, grand and petit, for either or both of said courts, to serve at the first term thereof, to be drawn at any time by the judge of the said district court, or by either of the judges of said circuit court.

when may be drawn.

SEC. 8. That the ninth and tenth sections of the act of August eleventh, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, organizing the district court of the northern district of Georgia, and all acts and parts of acts militating against this act, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Repealing clause. 1848, ch. 151, §§ 9, 10. Vol. ix. p. 281.

APPROVED, June 4, 1872.

CHAP. CCLXXXV. — *An Act supplementary to an Act entitled "An Act to aid in the Construction of Telegraph Lines, and to secure to the Government the Use of the same for postal, military, and other Purposes," approved July twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.*

June 4, 1872. 1866, ch. 230. Vol. xiv. p. 221.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the International Ocean Telegraph Company shall have the right to pre-empt and use public lands at the following stations in Florida on the line of telegraph belonging to said telegraph company, to wit: at the two ends of the cables on Sinabel Island, the station at Punta Rasa, near the mouth of the Caloosahatchie river, the station at Fort Myers, the points where the line of telegraph crosses the Caloosahatchie river, the station at Pine island, and the stations at Branch river, Bartow, and Tuckertown, each forty acres; such lands being public lands, and now actually used by the International Ocean Telegraph Company of the State of New York: *Provided,* That whenever any one of the smallest legal subdivisions at any one of the stations designated is less than forty acres, by reason of the land lying adjacent to the Gulf of Mexico, or any bay or river, the said company shall pre-empt only such smallest fractional subdivision upon which the buildings and offices of the company are located.

International Ocean Telegraph Company may pre-empt, &c., certain public lands in Florida;

only the smallest fractional subdivision.

APPROVED, June 4, 1872.

CHAP. CCLXXXVI. — *An Act to enable the President to appoint a Paymaster-General of the Army.*

June 4, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the sixth section of the act of third March, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, making appropriations for the support of the army, is so far modified, that the President is hereby authorized to appoint a Paymaster-General, with the rank, pay, and emoluments of a colonel, said appointment to date from the time the

Paymaster-general of the army may be appointed; rank, pay, &c. 1869, ch. 124, § 6. Vol. xv. p. 318.