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An Act to incorporate St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church of the City of Greenville, Sinoe County.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled :

SEC 1. That James G. Monger, Pastor, R. H. Montgomery Senior Warden, J. J. S. Wicks, John Davis, Isaac J. Higgins and George A. Dunbar Jr, Vestrymen, all of the City of Greenville in the County of Sinoe, and Republic of Liberia, and their successors in office, together with such as now are, or may hereafter become members, are hereby constituted a body Corporate and Politic by the name of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, with power to take, hold and possess all property real and personal that may have heretofore, or shall be hereafter acquired by grant, purchase, gift, demise or bequest, with full power to sell and convey the same, subject to the provisions and conditions of this Act.

SEC. 2. That the said Corporation shall be granted the privilege to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, before any Court having competent jurisdiction, and shall be allowed to acquire and hold real and personal estate to the amount of Fifty thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. That the said Corporation is hereby vested with full power and authority to make and establish such By Laws, Rules and Regulations for their own Government, and to do all other acts and things usual to be done by similar bodies Corporate and Politic, consistent with the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, provided such By laws, rules and regulations be not repugnant to the Laws and Constitution of this Republic.

SEC. 4. All laws or parts of laws conflicting with this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved January 7th. 1886.

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An Act providing for a Custom House at the Port of River Cess, in Grand Bassa County.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled :

SEC. 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Superintendent of Grand Bassa County be and he is

hereby directed under the direction of the President, to have erected at the Port of River Cess in the County aforesaid, a strong and substantial building of good durable logs 18ft. long by 12ft. wide, weatherboarded with good mangrove shingles; said house shall be 14ft. high and to be styled the Custom House. And the sum of Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the erection of the same, and the President be and he is hereby authorized and requested to draw on the Public Treasury for the said amount.

SEC. 2. And it is further enacted that there be appointed a Collector of Customs for the aforesaid port, who shall receive a salary of Four hundred dollars per annum; and further more it shall be the duty of the said Collector to assess and collect the duty upon all goods, wares and merchandize landed at said port upon which the duty has not been paid, and pay over the same into the Sub Treasury at Grand Bassa as soon thereafter as possible, and take a receipt in duplicate, and forward one to the Secretary of the Treasury.

SEC. 3. It is further enacted that it shall be the duty of all merchants importing goods and merchandize into the Port of River Cess, on which goods, wares and merchandize the duties have been paid, to furnish the Collector at the port of River Cess with a certificate of that fact, from the Collector of the port where said duties were paid, otherwise the Collector of the port of River Cess shall assess and collect the duties on said goods and merchandize.

SEC. 4. It is further enacted that any law or parts of laws, conflicting with the provisions of this Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved January 7th. 1886.

Resolution providing for the building of a Court House in Grand Bassa County, and repairing the Jail House in Maryland County.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled.

SEC. 1. That from and after the passage of this resolution the Superintendent of the County of Grand Bassa be, and he is hereby authorized and directed under the direction of the President of the Republic of Liberia, according to the laws governing Public work, to have erected a house of sufficient size for a Court House in Buchanan, the Shire town of Grand Bassa County.

SEC. 2. That said Building be two stories high (that is to say) the first to be twelve feet high from floor to floor and to be of stone or brick, and the second to be of wood materials bought for that purpose, and to be nine feet high, the second story shall be for officers i. e. Superintendent, Collector of Customs, Clerk of Courts, Register, Land Commissioner and all others who now receive rents from Government, Sub Treasurer, Post

Master, and Jailor excepted. The Commissary on the third floor
 SEC. 3. The sum of Five thousand Dollars is hereby appropriated for building Court House, and Three hundred Dollars for the repairs of Jail House.

SEC. 4. Resolved that the President is hereby authorized to draw on the Public Treasury for the above amounts out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 11th 1886.

An Act defining the limits of the Port of Entry and Delivery at River Cesters, County of Grand Bassa and providing for the appointment of a Permanent Collector, and erection of a Custom House.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

SEC. 1. That from and after the passage of this Act the limits of the Port of Entry and delivery at River Cesters, County of Grand Bassa, shall be half a mile interiorward from the seaboard, and shall extend half a mile on each side of the River at its junction with the ocean.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 11th 1886.

An Act authorizing a permanent Port of Entry and Delivery at the mouth of the Mannah River, Montserrado County.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

SEC. 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act; that there be a Collector of Customs for Mannah whose salary shall be one hundred dollars (\$100) per year and in connection with said Custom House, there shall be established if necessary a police guard of twenty men to enforce the laws of the Republic of Liberia, who shall each receive a salary of eight dollars per month, and be rationed by Government at the usual rate of the Militia in actual service.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the said police guard to attend and be under the direct control of the Collector of Customs in enforcing the laws of the Republic of Liberia. However the aforesaid Collector of Customs may appoint from among said guards or police an officer whose rank shall not exceed that of First Sergeant, to execute all orders issued by him, and endorsed by the Superintendent of Robertsport.

SEC. 3. And it is further enacted that for the better carrying into effect of the provisions of this Act, that the sum of four hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to build a suitable Custom House and quarters for the police guard while on duty at the Port of Mannah.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Collector of Customs at Mannah, to assess and collect the duties on all Imports and Exports, and to send in quarterly reports of all the dues collected to the Superintendent of Robertspoint, who shall at once forward the same to the Treasury Department at Monrovia, to be dealt with in the same manner as the reports of the several other Collectors of the Republic; and it is hereby made imperative that said Collector shall at the end of every month forward to the Sub Treasury at Robertspoint, all amounts collected by him, and to report the same to the Superintendent at Robertspoint and to the Treasury Department at Monrovia.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 11th 1886.

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An Act making provision for the appointment of a Superintendent and Sub Treasurer for Montserrado County, in the Republic of Liberia.

Whereas it is necessary that a Superintendent and Sub Treasurer be created and established in Montserrado County for the enhancement and better working of the County and General Government funds, in which the County fund shall be kept separate and distinct from the General Government fund, enabling the County and General Government to meet their respective liabilities without complication.

Therefore: It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled.

SEC. 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the President be and he is hereby authorized and directed with the advice and consent of the Senate, to to appoint a Superintendent and Sub-Treasurer for Montserrado County, who shall perform all of the duties and conform to all the laws of this Republic that govern and define the duties of the respective Superintendents and Sub-Treasurers of Grand Bassa, Sinoe, and Maryland Counties of the Republic aforesaid.

Any law or parts of laws militating against the provisions of this Act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Passed by a Two third vote notwithstanding the President's veto.

January 13th, 1886

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A Supplementary Port of Entry Act.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled.

SEC. 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, that so much of the first section of an Act approved Jan-

uary 1st. 1885, establishing a Port of Entry and Delivery at River Cavalla, Maryland County, that defines the limits of said Port of Entry and Delivery, be so altered and amended as to extend from the Town of Dodolu of Half Cavalla from the North West limits of said Port of Entry.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 13th, 1886.

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Joint Resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to examine the Manuscript purporting to be a History of Liberia written by one J. P. Artis.

It is resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

SEC. 1. That the Secretary of State is hereby authorized to examine the Manuscript from one J. P. Artis purporting to be a History of the Republic of Liberia, and if said Manuscript be approved of by the Government, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby ordered to pay the said J. P. Artis the sum of (\$150.00) one hundred and fifty dollars from the Public Treasury, out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 13th, 1886.

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An Act restoring George L. McField of Montserrado County, Chas. F. Cook of of Sinoe, County, and James Williams of Maryland County Republic of Liberia, to the rights and privileges of Citizenship.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

SEC. 1 That from and after the passage of this Act, that George L. McField of Clay Ashland, Charles F. Cook of Sinoe County, and James Williams of Maryland County, be and they are hereby restored to all the rights, privileges, and immunities granted to all other good Citizens of this Republic.

Approved January 13th, 1886.

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An Act repealing the Act regulating the Liquor Traffic.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled.

SEC. 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, that said Act regulating the Liquor Traffic approved January 1888 be and the same is hereby repealed; and that the sum of sixty cents (.60) duties in Gold shall be as-

assessed, levied and collected upon each and every gallon of Rum, Gin, Whiskey, Brandy, Sweet Johnny, and all other alcoholic liquors imported into this Republic.

Sec. 2. It is further enacted, that any person or persons desirous of selling any Rum, Gin, Whiskey, Brandy, Sweet Johnny or any other alcoholic liquors in quantities of less than twenty gallons, shall be required to pay an annual tax of one hundred dollars for such privilege; and of more than twenty gallons Three hundred dollars, to be paid into all chartered corporations and local townships where licenses are paid, and said license shall be paid in Liberian Currency.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by Limitation January 15th, 1886

Sec. 1. That the Secretary of the Republic of Liberia be and he is hereby authorized to examine the Manuscript of the History of Liberia and if said Manuscript be a History of the Republic of Liberia and if said Manuscript be approved of by the Government, the Secretary of the Republic of Liberia is hereby authorized to pay the said J. P. A. the sum of (\$150.00) one hundred and fifty dollars from the Public Treasury, out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

Approved January 15th, 1886.

An Act restoring George T. McField of Maryland County, Chesapeake, to the rights and privileges of citizenship.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Sec. 1. That from and after the passing of this Act, that George T. McField of Maryland County, Chesapeake, be and they are hereby restored to all the rights, privileges and immunities granted to all other good Citizens of the Republic.

Approved January 15th, 1886.

An Act repealing the Act regulating the Labor Traffic.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:

Sec. 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, that said Act regulating the Labor Traffic be approved January 1888 be and the same is hereby repealed; and that the sum of sixty cents (.60) shall be paid in gold.