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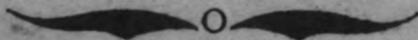
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**REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.**

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Passed at their Third Session which was begun and held at the City of Monrovia County of Montserrado, the First Monday in December A. D. 1925 and was adjourned without day on the 16th day of February A. D. 1926.

CHAPTER I

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT LEVYING HUT TAXES AMONG THE UNCIVILIZED ABORIGINAL INHABITANTS WITHIN THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, APPROVED NOVEMBER 2, 1916.

December 23,  
1925. S. 3.

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

Section 1. That the section one of the act Entitled An Act Levying Hut Taxes among the uncivilized aboriginal Inhabitants within the Republic of Liberia be abrogated and the following provision substituted in its stead:

Section 1 of  
Act Levying  
Hut Taxes  
abrogated.

That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Bureau of Internal Revenue, to Assess

Assessment  
and Collec-  
tion of Hut  
Taxes.

and Collect Hut Taxes of one dollar on each and every habitable hut within this Republic; including such huts as shall be located on farms or real estates within Corporate limits of Cities, Townships or Settlements.

Owners re-  
sponsible for  
payment.

Section 2. That all such persons, paying the Hut tax, shall not be required to pay poll or Head Tax, and that owners of all private lands upon which any habitable native hut is erected shall be responsible to the Government for the payment of the Taxes on the hut.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 5, 1926.

## CHAPTER II

December 23,  
1925. H. 2.

### AN ACT SUPPLYING OMISSIONS TO THE CRIMINAL CODE.

Preamble.

Whereas the following omissions in the Criminal Code were obviously inadvertently made, and in the order that what is therein implied may be expressly Stated,

*Therefore, it is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:*

Amendments.

Section 1. (a) That line 3 of Section 2, on page 2 of the Criminal Code of 1914, be so amended as to read after the word "herein" "or in the Code for Justice of the Peace legalized by the Legislature of the Republic in 1908."

Section 1. (b) That on page one, Section 39, line 2 of the Criminal Code of 1914, the word "Embezzlement" be inserted between word "Burglary" and Larceny.

Section 2. That in the Act of the Legislature of Liberia passed and approved October 24, 1916, line one of Section 3 on

page 19 be so altered and amended as to insert the words: "day of August" after the word "twenty-fourth" on said line.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 5, 1926.

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CHAPTER III

AN ACT TO SUPPLY THE SEVERAL ARSENALS OF  
THE REPUBLIC WITH ARMS AND AMMUNITIONS. December 14,  
1925. H. 1.

That whereas it is the duty of the State in harmony with its constitution which reads as follows: Preamble.

"The people have a right to keep and bear arms  
"for the common defense and in time of peace  
"arms are dangerous to liberty they ought to be  
"maintained etc."

to maintain proper public arsenals for the public defense.

*Therefore, it is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:*

Section 1. That the Secretary of War and Navy be and he is hereby authorized to import from America or any European Country sufficient Modern rifle and ammunition for better protection of the Nation. Importation  
of arms and  
ammunition.

Section 2. That the amount of \$ 5,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated to fully carry into effect this Act. Appropriation.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 5, 1926.

## CHAPTER IV

January 5,  
1926. H. 4.

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT ALTERING AND AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ROBERTSPORT TERRITORY OF GRAND CAPE MOUNT. APPROVED NOVEMBER 2, 1916.

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

Amendments.

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, the words in bracket (The Mayor excepted) on the second line of paragraph entitled "Penalty for violating Charter" on page 26 of said Act, be so amended as to read as follows, the Mayor not excepted.

Section 2. That from the eighth line of the aforesaid paragraph and page be so amended as to read as follows:

"Shall be punished with a fine not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, to be recoverable by such Court within the County of Grand Cape Mount, having competent Jurisdiction, or suffer imprisonment for a period not longer than Sixty days in the common Jail of said County except in case of embezzlement, the offender shall suffer the penalty of the Statute laws of Liberia, and forfeit his office, and be excluded forever thereafter from holding any office under the City.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 12, 1926.

## CHAPTER V.

AN ACT RESPECTING THE CLOSING UP OF A PORTION OF  
 RUSS WORN STREET IN THE CITY OF HARPER, COUNTY  
 OF MARYLAND REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

January 22,  
 1926. S. 15.

Whereas the Citizens of Maryland County Republic of Liberia have petitioned the National Legislature requesting that certain of Russworn Street in said County be closed and erased from the plot of said County as a street, and,

Preamble.

Whereas the closing of that portion of said Street will not affect, interfere nor inconvenience any person or persons residing in said County it not being used, therefore;

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

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, all of that portion of Russworn Street, lying between Maryland Avenue and Gregory Street, commencing at a point at the South-west corner of the intersection of said Russ-worn Street and Maryland Avenue, thence South seven degrees west 200 feet to the intersection point of said Russ-worn Street, with said Gregory Street; thence South Eighty three degrees East 40 feet; thence North seven degrees East 200 feet, to the intersection point of said Street with Maryland Avenue, be closed and are hereby erased from the said plot as Russ-worn Street: And the area of land contained therein be regarded as public land, and be laid off into Town lots of the dimensions of other town lots, in the said City of Harper, County and Republic aforesaid, and disposed of in keeping with the Statute Laws of Liberia governing Public land.

Portion of  
 Street to be  
 closed.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by Limitation.

## CHAPTER VI

January 29,  
1926. S. 22.

## AN ACT RELATING TO PRISONERS.

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

Prisoners to be confined in jail of County of offence was committed. Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, all prisoners convicted of Criminal offences shall serve the period of their confinement in satisfaction of any and all judgment against them in the Jail of the County in which the offence was Committed and the prisoner or prisoners convicted.

Transference unlawful. Exception. Section 2. That it shall be unlawful to transfer prisoners from one County Jail to another except there be a National or Central Prison, and such transfer be made under the provisions of the law regulating said National or Central Prisons.

Penalty for violation of Act. Section 3. That any official or officials violating any of the provisions of this Act, shall be guilty of official Misconduct, and upon conviction shall be fined a sum of not less than Five Hundred Dollars, nor more than One Thousand Dollars, and shall be removed from office by the President upon information of any person.

When effective. Section 4. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in HandBills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.  
Passed by Limitation.

## CHAPTER VII.

January 30,  
1926, H. 16.

A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBERIA AND THE FIRESTONE PLANTATIONS COMPANY DATED SIXTEENTH AND SEVENTEENTH OF SEPTEMBER NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE (1925):

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

Agreements with Firestone Plantations Company, Sept. 16, & 17 1925 approved with following modifications. Section 1. That the Agreements concluded by and between the Government of the Republic of Liberia and the Firestone Plantations Company dated September 16 and 17, 1925 be and the same are hereby approved subject to the following modifications to wit:

- (a) That the exemption from taxation provided for in the Agreements numbers one and two shall not affect the liability of the Company for the payment of the Emergency Relief Fund and to taxation on vehicles;
- (b) That the number of white employees to be brought into Liberia by the Company shall in no case exceed fifteen hundred men;
- (c) That the Company is liable to the payment of rent upon all areas of land selected by them as and when such areas are selected;
- (d) That the words "Articles for the welfare of the employees" (used in Agreement number two, Article two, Clause b) connote only hospital supplies and games;
- (e) That the words "before so doing occurring in Article IV Clause (d) of Agreement number two be stricken out;
- (f) That Clause N, Article IV of Agreement number two be deleted and the following Clause substituted therefor:

All or any questions in dispute arising out of these Agreements which cannot be harmonized or adjusted by the Lessee and the Government, shall be referred to the Liberian Courts for Arbitration. Should, however, the Lessee feel aggrieved at the final decision of the Liberian Courts then the Government agrees to arrange with the United States Department of State for a further arbitration of the question or questions submitted by both parties.

Section 2. The President is hereby authorized and empowered to take all measures necessary to put into effect these Agreements subject to the provisions of this Joint Resolution.

President authorized to put Agreements into effect as modified.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

## CHAPTER VIII.

## AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT AND A MONTHLY AND PROBATE COURT, IN THE COUNTY OF GRAND CAPE MOUNT.

January 25,  
1926. S. 19.

Whereas the Territory of Grand Cape Mount was by an Act passed January 3rd 1924 made into a County, and,

Preamble.

Whereas it is deemed advisable that the superior Court of said County should be raised to the status of a Circuit Court, Therefore,

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

Fifth Judicial Circuit Court to be established.

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the Court heretofore known as the Territorial Court of the Territory of Grand Cape Mount shall be known as the Fifth Judicial Circuit Court for the County of Grand Cape Mount.

President to appoint Judge.

Section 2. The President of the Republic of Liberia shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate appoint and Commission a Judge who shall be a legal practitioner learned in the law, and shall be a resident within the Fifth Judicial Circuit, who shall have all the rights, duties, privileges, and emoluments of the other Circuit Judges within the Republic, and shall preside from time to time, over said Circuit Court to which he may be assigned in like manner as other Circuit Judges.

Clerk to be appointed by the President

Section 3. The President shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate appoint and Commission a Clerk for said Court who shall have all the rights, duties, privileges and emoluments of other like officers.

Cases to be transferred to Circuit Court and Monthly and Probate Court.

Section 4. That all cases now docketed for trial and unfinished business in said Territorial Court shall be transferred to the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit except such matters as may be on Docket which should be disposed of by the Monthly and Probate Court.

Monthly and Probate Court to be established.

Section 5. There shall be established a Monthly Court to be styled the Monthly and Probate Court for the County of Grand Cape Mount with the rights, powers, and privileges of similar Courts within the Republic of Liberia separate and distinct from the Circuit Court.

Section 6. The President shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate appoint and commission a legal practitioner learned in the Law as Judge of said Court, resident of the County of Grand Cape Mount, who shall have all the rights, duties, privileges and emoluments of the other Monthly and Probate Courts. He shall also appoint a Clerk for said Court with a salary of (\$ 300.00) three hundred dollars.

President to appoint Judge and Clerk.

Section 7. That all the laws relating in every respect to the Circuit and Monthly and Probate Courts of this Republic shall apply to these Courts respectively.

What laws shall apply to these Courts.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 26, 1926.

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CHAPTER IX

JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND THE FINANCE CORPORATION OF AMERICA.

January 28,  
1926. S. 20.

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

Section 1. That the Agreement concluded between the Government of the Republic of Liberia and the Finance Corporation of America, as of January 1, 1926, be and the same is hereby approved subject to the following modifications to wit:

Agreement with Finance Corporation of America approved with following modifications.

(a) In this Agreement wherever the term "Buyer" occurs it shall be substituted by the term "Corporation".

(b) Article II shall read. The Government covenants that both principal and interest of the Bonds will be paid promptly as they respectively become due and that any and all sums and expenses in connection with the service of the issue will be paid in conformity with Article V hereof, and that payments shall be made in the Borough of Manhattan, City and State of New York, United States of America, at the Head Office of the Fiscal Agents in gold coin of the United States of America of or equal to the present standard of weight and fineness and shall be paid without deduction for or on account of any taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or duties now or hereafter levied or to be levied by or within the Government or by any taxing authority thereof.

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(c) Article VII shall read: The Government agrees that it will forthwith undertake negotiations with the present holders of the external and internal debt of the Republic for the adjustment of such debt and for the settlement of such claims as may be approved by the Financial Adviser hereinafter referred to, and that the Bonds herein provided to be issued by the Government and hereinafter termed "The Loan" shall be charged:

(a) On all Customs duties of the Republic receivable on and after the 30th day of January 1926 whether in respect of imports or exports, and upon all revenues receivable on and after said date, from head moneys; but

(b) In the event the above revenues should prove insufficient for the service of the loan, the Government undertakes to allocate from its other revenues such a sum as shall be sufficient to make up the deficiency.

Import and Export duties of every kind and character whatsoever, headmoneys and all other taxes, imposts and revenues of the Republic shall be collected through the Customs, Postal and Internal revenue administration, to be maintained by the Government under the supervision of the Financial Adviser and certain Assistants appointed as hereinafter stipulated who shall co-operate with the Treasury, Postal and Interior Department Officials in the manner hereinafter prescribed. The Government obligates itself to appoint from time to time during the entire life of the loan the Fiscal Officers required by the terms of this Agreement, who, during the life of this Agreement shall supervise the collection of the revenues of the Republic from whatever source they may arise, and the application thereof to the service of the loan in accordance with the provisions of Article VII (a) and (b) as modified by this Act, or as may be provided from time to time by rules or regulations to be made effective for the purpose of carrying out the provisions and terms hereof.

(d) ARTICLE IX SHALL READ: The organization of the Customs and internal revenue administration of the Republic shall be supervised by the following Officers, who shall be nominated by the Financial Adviser to the President of the Republic of Liberia, (the Financial Adviser having first reported the names of the Officers nominated to the Secretary of State of the United States), and shall be by the President of the Republic of Liberia appointed and commissioned to the respective Offices with duties as defined in this instrument. These officers shall hold their appointment

during good behaviour but shall be subject to removal by the President of Liberia for cause, or upon the withdrawal by the Financial Adviser for sufficient cause stated of his recommendation of such officer. The Auditor shall hold his appointment during good behaviour but may be removed by the President of Liberia for cause or upon the withdrawal by the Fiscal Agent for sufficient cause of their recommendation of such officer.

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The officers to be nominated by the Financial Adviser and by the Fiscal Agents shall be qualified as to education and as to previous experience in similar or analagous positions in foreign service; and the President of the Republic of Liberia, before commissioning them for service hereunder, shall have the right to require satisfactory proof of such qualifications.

1. A Financial Adviser who shall be designated and appointed as hereinbefore stated, at a salary of \$ 10,000, per annum;
2. An official, who shall be designated Supervisor of Customs;
3. An official, who shall be designated Supervisor of Internal Revenue;
4. A bonded Auditor.

The officers above mentioned shall perform such duties and employ such persons as may be defined by law or prescribed by the Government, and the salaries of said officers with the exception of the Financial Adviser, shall be fixed from time to time by agreement between the Financial Adviser and the Government, but the total aggregate salaries of said officers, excepting only the Financial Adviser, shall not exceed the total aggregate sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.); provided however, that in the event of substantial changes of money values, the salary of the Financial Adviser and the above aggregate total amount for salaries of other officers may be from time to time increased or diminished by agreement between the Government and the Fiscal Agent. Such salaries paid to the Financial Adviser and the Fiscal Officers to be appointed as above stated shall include all allowances of any kind or character whatsoever, provided, however, that said officials shall in addition to such salaries be furnished medical care and attendance, shall be reimbursed for their traveling expenses incurred by them on official duty, and shall receive traveling expenses from the point of departure in the United States at the time of appointment or employment, to their

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posts in Liberia and return to the United States on termination thereof; and not more often than once in two years, shall receive their actual traveling expenses by ordinary route to the United States and return. Such expenditure shall conform to the regulation now in force or which may hereafter be promulgated by the Audit Bureau of the Treasury Department of Liberia.

The Financial Adviser and the Fiscal Officers employed hereunder shall be entitled to receive reasonable leaves of absence, cumulative over not more than two years, at full pay.

(e) ARTICLE X SHALL READ: 1. The Corporation agrees to purchase from the Government and the Government agrees to sell, at the rate of \$900.00 per Bond of \$1,000, together with interest accrued thereon from time to time, pursuant to the terms provisions hereof, and in manner hereinafter stated such an amount of said bonds as will provide funds to be used by the Government for the purpose stated in the preamble hereof not to exceed, however, the total aggregate amount of two millions five hundred thousand dollars.

2. Said bonds shall be certified by the Fiscal Agents for the purposes of identification, and from time to time delivered to the Corporation or its nominee as against payment therefor at the rate above stated, to be credited by the Fiscal Agent to the account of the Liberian Government said Bonds shall be so certified and delivered from time to time by the Fiscal Agent at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury of the Government with the within covenant and approval of the Financial Adviser but not otherwise, and payment for said bonds shall not be called for in excess of the following schedule, to wit:—

3. During the calendar year 1926 not to exceed the total aggregate amount of (\$2,000,000) two million dollars face value of said bonds;

4. During the calendar year 1927 not to exceed the aggregate face amount of \$500,000. If the Government should fail to call for the full amount of said bonds provided for any one year the uncalled balance thereof shall not be cumulative except with the Corporation's consent.

It is understood by the parties hereto that the Government may at any time it deems desirable offer for sale in such

amounts as it may decide the bonds covering the remaining two and one-half million dollars authorised in this Agreement.

(f) ARTICLE XII PARAGRAPH 1 SHALL READ: The Government agrees that the Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of the Interior, Secretary of War, Postmaster General and other officials shall co-operate with the Financial Adviser to bring order and system into the finances of the Government and to that end the Financial Adviser shall devise for the Republic of Liberia and for any local Governmental Authority therein such methods of accounting, rules and regulations for the collection and administration of the Public revenues and receipts as may be necessary to assure the collection of such revenues and the enforcement of the laws, rules and regulations pertaining there to; and such administrative orders or regulations having been approved by the President of Liberia shall be issued at the request of the Financial Adviser by the Department's Head for whose Department or under whose jurisdiction any such regulation, rule or order applies. The Government shall fix penalties not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of Liberia for the violation of such administrative order, rules and regulations as may be issued as above.

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PARAGRAPH 3 SHALL READ: For the further securities of the revenues and receipts, the Government shall maintain the Liberian Frontier Force, and shall further maintain patrol service by sea as may be necessary from time to time. The Patrol service by sea shall be administered by the Treasury Department Customs Service. The Frontier Force shall be administered by the War Department and the strength of the Force shall be fixed by agreement between the President of Liberia and the Financial Adviser, and it shall not be increased or reduced in number without the agreement of the Financial Adviser except temporarily in case of emergency declared to be such by the Government. Two duly qualified and experienced officers shall be recommended by the President of the United States to the President of Liberia and if approved by the President of Liberia shall be appointed by him to the said Frontier Force. These officers shall be one Major and one Captain. The total aggregate salaries of said officers shall not exceed the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.) per annum; provided however that such may be at any time increased or diminished by agreement between the Government and the Fiscal Agent. Such salaries shall include all allowances, except medical care and attendance travel on duty which shall be furnished by the Government. Such officers shall serve in the Frontier Force during the term of said bonds, and their duty shall be to pre-

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pare a plan of reorganisation of the Force which shall be based on the idea of creating an efficient constabulary organisation for the purposes aforesaid and which shall include the qualification and discipline of all commissioned and non-commissioned officers and the training of the men in accordance with the best practice now obtaining in similar organisations.

PARAGRAPH 4 SHALL READ: The funds for the maintenance of the Frontier Force shall be administered by the Treasury Department under the same plan and system as (for) other sections of the Government.

PARAGRAPH 5 SHALL READ: The revenues and receipts allocated to the services of the loan shall, during the term of said bonds, be payable only in gold, of the present standard of weight and fineness of gold coin of the United States of America, or its equivalent, and the rates and the amounts of such allocated revenues shall not be decreased without approval of the Fiscal Agent, but may be increased so as to meet the expenses of the service of the loan, and the expenses of the administration of the Government. The Comptroller of the Treasury, together with the Auditor, shall prepare for the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Financial Adviser, quarterly and annually, reports of the financial administration and of the collection and application of all revenues and receipts. Such reports shall contain the detail of all financial transactions of the Government.

PARAGRAPH 6 SHALL READ: The Government covenants to install and maintain the pre-audit system, whereby all accounts of the Government before payment shall be duly presented to the Auditor and shall be audited. The Auditor, upon the submission of any account for his check and after examination of the appropriation to which it is chargeable to ascertain that the same has not been over expended and that the account is correct, properly verified and payable, shall indicate his approval by appropriate signature and shall approve the transfer from the general deposit account in the designated depository to the disbursement account in the designated depository of a sum sufficient to meet the Secretary of the Treasury's check for the particular account and payee specified. No payments shall be made except under warrant of the President in accordance with the budget or appropriation law and all payments shall be made by check on the disbursement account to be opened and maintained in the designated depository of the General Government. Payments to troops or other payments which must be made in cash shall be by check to a bonded pay-master

who shall make the detail of disbursements in accordance with the audit rules and regulations which are to be prepared and enforced in accordance with the provisions hereinbefore stated.

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PARAGRAPH 7 SHALL READ: The proceedings of the Legislature of Liberia relating to financial matters shall be reported stenographically duly by the Government and typewritten copies of such proceedings shall be furnished to the President of the Republic, the Heads of Department and the Financial Adviser.

PARAGRAPH 8 SHALL READ: The Government shall annually enact a budget which shall set up in detail the estimates of revenues and receipts for the fiscal year and duly appropriate and provide in the said budget for the costs and expenses of collection of the revenues and receipts, and the expenses of the various Departments of the Government, including the salaries and expenses of the Financial Adviser and his Staff, as herein provided, the service of the loan, general administrative expenses, public works and improvements and all other amounts which under this Agreement or otherwise the Government is by existing laws or understandings, contracts or engagements, required or obligated to pay; and this shall be done in the following way: At least thirty days before the opening of each regular session of the Legislature of Liberia, the Secretary of the Treasury shall prepare an itemized budget for the ensuing year, which shall contain statements in detail of the probable revenues and receipts of the Government for the ensuing fiscal year from all sources, and of all proposed expenditures chargeable in any manner against such revenues and receipts. This proposed budget shall be prepared in consultation with the Financial Adviser, whose duty it shall be to assure that the amounts provided to be appropriated for expenditure shall not exceed the resources of the Government, as shown by careful examination and comparison of the revenue estimates, and who shall further examine the proposed budget to ascertain that all expenditures which are provided to be made by virtue of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall have been properly included in the proposed statement of expenditures. In the event of the failure of the Financial Adviser to approve the Budget as prepared by the Secretary of the Treasury of Liberia for the reason that it exceeds the estimates then the Budget of the previous year shall be operative in so far as it applies to the ordinary operating expenses of the Government and the expenditures provided to be made by virtue of any

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of the provisions of this agreement for the ensuing fiscal year only. Within 10 days after the enactment of the Budget, the Secretary of the Treasury of Liberia shall deliver to the Financial Adviser a copy thereof as enacted and a statement of all appropriations, regular and special which shall have been made. All accounts of the Government shall be subject to examination and verification by the Financial Adviser at all reasonable times.

(g) ARTICLE XIII PARAGRAPH 1 SHALL READ: The revenues and receipts shall be applied by the Government as follows:

1. To the payment as they arise of the cost and expenses of collection, application, and administration of the revenues and receipts including the salaries of the Financial Adviser and the officers appointed hereunder, and the salaries of the employees of the revenue service, both customs and internal, the cost and expenses of maintaining the Frontier Force and any other legitimate expenses or obligations incurred under this agreement, and all amounts incident to the service of the loan except as to payments on account of principal and interest for which provision is hereinafter made.

PARAGRAPH 6 SHALL READ: The sums that may remain after the payments provided in the first five clauses of this Article have been made shall be applied as follows:

Such sums shall be credited by the depositary to an account hereinafter referred to as the reserve account. Monies in the reserve account shall be applied, insofar as possible only for the improvement of Public education in Liberia and for Public works except that in emergency declared to be such by the Government the same may be applied to some purpose not covered by the ordinary Budget. Monies shall be transferred for expenditures from the reserve account by agreement of the Secretary of the Treasury and the Financial Adviser. In case of a disagreement between the Secretary of the Treasury and the Financial Adviser the question shall be referred to the President of Liberia and his decision thereon shall be final. Whenever and for so long a period as the revenues and receipts shall be insufficient to meet the payments required to be made by Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, of this Article, the depositary shall cease paying out the monies from the reserve account and such funds may be applied by the Government to meet the payments provided in Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, of this Article.

(h) ARTICLE XV SHALL READ: Until the Government has repaid the whole amount of the loan and all expenses incident to the service thereof, no floating debt shall be created and no loan chargeable upon the revenues allocated to the service of the loan hereby authorised for any purpose shall be made except with the written approval of the Financial Adviser, but the Government may without such approval at such time as it deems fit negotiate a refunding loan for the retirement of the present loan.

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(i) ARTICLE XVI of the proposed Agreement shall be eliminated.

(j) ARTICLE XIX SHALL READ: The Government covenants to designate as the depository hereunder, such bank in the City of Monrovia, in Liberia, as shall be agreeable to the Fiscal Agent, and such designation shall be terminated by the Government upon the request of the Fiscal Agent. Any arrangement which the Government may make with the depository shall embody the provisions of this agreement and such depository undertake to comply herewith. In case the depository shall cease to act as such by reason of such termination of its designation or otherwise, a new depository shall be designated in the same manner as above provided. Moneys paid to the depository for the account of the Government, as provided in this Agreement, shall be held by the depository and paid out as follows: Moneys paid to the depository under the provisions of Article XIII shall be deposited in one or more special deposit accounts, as may be from time to time determined necessary or desirable, and no expenditures shall be made therefrom. Transfer from these accounts of moneys to be disbursed shall be on order of transfer requested by the Secretary of the Treasury and approved by the President, and such transfer shall be made only to a disbursement account to be opened and maintained by the designated depository, on which disbursement account checks may be drawn from expenditure as hereinafter provided.

Moneys paid to the depository hereunder, whether remitted by the Fiscal Agent or deposited by the Treasury Department or any other officer or agency of the Government, shall be deposited in one or more deposit accounts to be opened and maintained by the depository, and shall be transferred for disbursement to one or more disbursement accounts to be likewise opened and maintained by the depository and shall not otherwise be expended or transferred. Such transfers from deposit account to disbursement account shall be made only as provided in the foregoing paragraph.

Modifications Moneys in the disbursement account or accounts which are not to be disbursed in accordance with the provisions of Article XI shall be disbursed in the following manner, viz:

(a) No sum shall be disbursed in amounts greater than those provided by the budget, but unexpended credit to any account provided for in the budget may be transferred to any other account of the budget by agreement of the Secretary of the Treasury and the Financial Adviser who shall certify such decision to the Comptroller for appropriate notation in the in the appropriation ledger. In case of a disagreement between the Secretary of the Treasury and the Financial Adviser the question shall be referred to the President and his decision thereon shall be final.

ARTICLE XX CLAUSE (a) SHALL READ: (a) If the Fiscal Agent shall at any time be in doubt as to its rights or obligations hereunder or with respect to the rights of any holder of any bond, the Fiscal Agent may advise with legal counsel and anything done or suffered by it in good faith in accordance with the opinion of such counsel and approval of the Government shall be conclusive in its favour as against any claim or demand by the Government or any holder of any Bond.

CLAUSE (b) SHALL READ: The Fiscal Agent shall not be responsible to the Government or to any holder of any Bond for any mistake or error of fact or of law or for the exercise of a sound discretion or for anything which it may do or cause to be done in good faith in connection therewith; except only for its own wilful default.

ARTICLE XXII SHALL READ: The Government shall pay to the Fiscal Agent reasonable compensation for all services rendered hereunder and a sum equivalent to one-quarter of one percent of the face amount of all interest coupons, as paid, and to one-eighth of one per cent of the Principal amount of all Bonds, as retired, whether paid at maturity or purchased or redeemed prior to maturity, as hereinbefore provided. Payment of such compensation shall be made to the Fiscal Agent in gold coin of the United States of America, in the City of New York, upon statements rendered semi-annually by the Fiscal Agent to the Government as hereinafter provided. The Fiscal Agent shall allow and pay to the Government on monies other than deposits for the payment of coupons or the redemption

of bonds, remaining on deposit with the Fiscal Agent for thirty days, or more, interest at the rate of two percent per annum. The Fiscal Agent may treat all such moneys as time deposits. The Fiscal Agent shall not be answerable for the default or misconduct of any agent or attorney appointed by it in pursuance hereof if such Agent or Attorney shall have been selected with reasonable care.

Modifications

ARTICLE XXVI SHALL READ: In case of dispute between the Government and either of the other parties to this contract, the matter shall be referred for determination to arbitrators, one of whom shall be appointed by each of the parties to dispute; and if such Arbitrators shall be unable to agree among themselves, the Secretary of State of the United States of America and the Government of Liberia shall collaborate in finding a basis for a final decision.

Section 2. The President is hereby fully authorized and empowered to take all measures necessary to give effect to the provisions of the Agreement subject to the provisions of this Act.

President to give effect to Agreement as modified.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 28, 1926.

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CHAPTER X.

JOINT RESOLUTION SUPPLEMENTARY TO THE JOINT RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA ON THE 28TH. DAY OF JANUARY 1926 DIRECTING, INSTRUCTING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE TO CONSUMMATE THE LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND THE FINANCE CORPORATION OF AMERICA.

February 16.  
1926. H. 22.

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

Section 1. That the Agreement concluded between the Government of the Republic of Liberia and the Finance Corporation of America, as of January 1, 1926, approved subject to certain modifications by Joint Resolution of the Legislature of the Republic of Liberia on January 28, 1926, be fully entered into and consummated by the President of the Republic of

**Modifications** Liberia in accordance with the following supplemental authority, instructions and interpretations, it being considered necessary and desirable to bring about the operation of the Agreement at the earliest possible date.

(a) Article 9, shall be modified as follows, referring to the original draft: In the first paragraph, strike out the last sentence which reads: "The officers shall, at all times be subject to removal by the President of Liberia at the request of the Financial Adviser"; and substitute therefor the following: "These officers shall hold their appointment during good behaviour but shall be subject to removal by the President of Liberia for cause, or upon the withdrawal by the Financial Adviser, for sufficient cause stated, of his recommendation of such officer or officers."

(b) The second paragraph of Article 9, which reads: "The Auditor and Assistant Auditor shall be appointed by Agreement between the Government and the Fiscal Agent," shall have added thereto the following: "and the Liberian Assistant Auditor shall be appointed by the President of the Republic of Liberia to serve during his pleasure."

(c) Article 9, paragraph 3 shall have the last phrase at the bottom of page 9. of the original draft stricken out that is the words "with the exception only of the Financial Adviser." Continue as in original draft to and of par. 1, page 10.

(d) Article 9, paragraph 2, on page 10 of the original draft, shall be stricken out.

(e) Article 9, paragraph 3, on page 10 of the original draft, shall be changed to read: "An official who shall be designated Supervisor of Customs."

(f) Article 9, paragraph 4, on page 10 of the original draft, shall be changed to read: "An official who shall be designated Supervisor of Internal Revenue."

(g) Article 9, paragraph 5, on page 10 of the original draft shall be changed to read: "A bonded Auditor appointed by Agreement between the President of the Republic of Liberia and the Fiscal Agent."

(h) Article 9, paragraph 6, on page 10 of the original draft shall be changed to read: "A bonded Assistant Auditor to be appointed by agreement between the President of the Republic of Liberia and the Fiscal Agent."

(i) There shall be inserted after the foregoing paragraph

an additional paragraph which shall read: "A bonded Assistant Auditor who shall be appointed by the President of Liberia." Modifications

(j) Article 9, referring to the last paragraph on page 10, of the original draft, on line 10, shall be changed to read in place of \$40,000 "\$32,000.

(k) Article 9, referring to the last paragraph on page 10 of the original, shall have added to said paragraph: "In the absence or during disability of the bonded Auditor, the Assistant bonded Auditor appointed by agreement between the President of the Republic of Liberia and the Fiscal Agent shall act in his place and stead, and he shall be assisted by the Assistant bonded Auditor appointed solely by the President of Liberia. The salary of the Assistant bonded Auditor appointed solely by the President of Liberia is not incorporated in the above amendments but is to be determined by the Budget appropriation as made from time to time.

(l) Article 9, first paragraph on top of page 11 of the original draft shall have added to said first paragraph, on line 6, to follow the word: "Government", the following: "should the quarters furnished not be desired, commutation in lieu thereof will be given for the actual expense of the quarters not to exceed the sum of \$800.00 annually." Beginning with the words: "shall be furnished suitable medical care" continue as in the original draft to the end of the paragraph.

(m) Article 9, the last paragraph of said Article, on page 11, shall be changed to read: "The financial Adviser and the officers appointed by virtue of the provisions of this agreement shall be entitled to receive reasonable leaves of absence cumulative over not more than two years at full pay.

(n) Article 10, paragraph 1, on page 11, of the original draft, modified in the Joint Resolution of January 28, 1926, omitted the last five words of said paragraph by error; the original wording of Article 10, paragraph 1, page 11 of the original draft is to be understood therefor,

(o) Article 10, paragraph 3, 4, 5, as modified, are intended to be understood to indicate the desire of the Republic to pay off the external and Internal funded and floating indebtedness of the Republic during the present calendar year should it be found possible to arrange this payment within that period.

(p) Article 10, referring to the last paragraph of this

Article, on page 12 of the original draft, it is intended that this last paragraph is approved and is to be inserted at the end of Article 10 as modified.

Modifications

(q) Article 12, paragraph 1, of the original draft, has been changed in the modification to provide that administrative orders or regulations to be issued at the request of the Financial Adviser shall be approved by the President of the Republic of Liberia, it being intended that such approval of the President should be first given to insure that the provisions contained in said administrative rules or regulations, would not be contrary to law or against public policy.

(r) Article 12, paragraph 6, on page 17 of the original draft, was modified to include the constitutional provision that the President of the Republic must sign all warrants of payments. This paragraph is now further modified by the following addition on line 15, as written in the original draft after the words "payee specified", viz: "The Auditor shall only refuse his approval of an order of transfer in case of:—

- (a) Non-appropriation,
- (b) Over expenditure of appropriation,
- (c) Incorrectness of account to be paid,
- (d) Lack of approval by proper official or officials,

after the foregoing addition and beginning with the words "No payments shall be" continue as modified to the end of the paragraph.

(s) Article 12, paragraph 8, on page 18 of the original draft shall have inserted the following provisions after the word "expenditures", second line from the bottom of the page viz: "The Financial Adviser may only refuse to approve the Budget when and if the disbursements which should be included therein as provided in this Agreement or by obligation of law have not been properly included, or when and if the budget submitted by the Secretary of the Treasury exceeds the estimates of the revenues." Continue to bottom of page as in the original draft; and on page 19, second line, after the word: "Liberia" insert: "for any of the reasons above stated and defined," continue as in the original draft to the end of said Article.

(t) Article 19, paragraph 2, as modified, is hereby cancelled, and the Agreement shall read in accordance with the provisions of the original draft on page 25, with the following addition to be inserted on line 8, of said paragraph, after the words: "approved

by the Auditor", viz:—"in accordance with the provisions of Article 12, paragraph 6, "as modified. Beginning with the words "and Countersigned" continue to the end of said paragraph as in the original draft. Modifications

(u) Article 20, Clause (a) on page 28 of the original draft, was modified for the purpose of having this clause re-written in order that the Government's interest may be equally protected with the Fiscal Agent's interest. The President is authorized to conclude an Agreement with the Finance Corporation of America on this point which will satisfactorily provide for the protection of the Government's interests as well as those of the Fiscal Agent, and incorporate said arrangement in the Agreement in lieu of the modified clause.

(v) Article 22, as modified, shall be stricken out, and in place thereof, Article 22 shall be re-written in accordance with page 29 of the original draft, provided however that after the words: "reasonable care" third line from the bottom of the page, there shall be inserted the following words: "in which case", and continue to the end of said paragraph in accordance with the original draft.

(w) Referring to the form of the Bond on page 34 of the original draft, line 3, from the bottom of said page, strike out the following words: "in time of war as well as of peace, whether holder of the Bond is a citizen of a friendly or hostile State", and

On page 36, the 5th line strike out the words: "the Republic" and insert in place thereof: "the Government of the Republic of Liberia".

Section 2. The President is hereby fully authorized and empowered to consummate and place in effect the final Agreement in accordance with the authority and instructions contained in the Joint Resolution approving the Loan Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Liberia and The Finance Corporation of America as modified, approved January 28, 1926 and in accordance with the further directions, authority and instructions contained in this Resolution.

President to  
consummate  
Agreement as  
modified.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 16, 1926.

AN ACT CREATING THE AREAS KNOWN AS THE CITIES OF UPPER AND LOWER BUCHANAN, A MUNICIPAL DISTRICT.

February 5, 1926, S. 24.

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

Acts chartering Cities of Upper and Lower Buchanan repealed.

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, All Acts chartering the cities of Upper and Lower Buchanan be and the same are hereby repealed.

Municipal District created. Of whom constituted.

Section 2. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, the powers heretofore exercised and discharged by the Mayor and Common Council of the cities of Upper and Lower Buchanan shall be exercised by the Central Government of the Republic for the purposes of the General Municipal Administration through an administrative Board composed of one Commissioner who shall be the Administrative Head of the municipality. One Superintendent of Police, One Director of Sanitation, One Director of Public Works, to be styled the "Municipal Board" who shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate of Liberia and shall hold their term of office for two years from the date of their respective Commissions, but may be removed from office within the time by the President at his pleasure, and who shall be entitled to the following salaries per Annum.

- The Commissioner.....\$600 00
- The Superintendent of Police 500.00
- The Director of Sanitation.... 400.00
- The Director of Public Works 300.00

Commissioner shall own real estate and give bond.

Section 3. The Commissioner shall be a citizen of the Republic of Liberia and a resident of the Municipal District, and shall own real estate of Two Thousand Dollars and shall give a bond of Four Thousand Dollars for the honest and faithful discharge of his duties. When the Director of Sanitation and Director of Public Works are Liberian Citizens they shall be required to give bonds respectively for the honest and faithful discharge of their duties.

Extent of District.

Section 4. The said Municipal District of Buchanan shall comprise the present Areas known as expressed in the Act Chartering the City of Lower Buchanan respectively.

Name of District.

Section 5. The said Municipality shall be styled the Municipal District of Buchanan, and by that name it shall sue and

be sued, plead and be impleaded in any of the Courts of the Republic of Liberia. It shall have a perpetual succession and a municipal Seal. It shall be capable of taking, acquiring and holding real and personal property of Half Million Dollars within said municipal limit and to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of same, and to do and execute all other matters in as full and ample manner as is usual and customary for Municipalities.

May hold property to value of \$500,000.

Section 6. That it shall be the duty of the Municipal Board to prescribe and enforce all regulations for the Government and improvement of the Municipality, provided, however, said regulations shall receive the sanction of the Superintendent of the County and by him submitted to the President of the Republic of Liberia for his approval before they become operative. The violation of all such regulations after approval by the President, shall subject the violator to a penalty not exceeding Fifty Dollars for each offence. It shall also be the duty of the Municipal Board to submit a report of their doing to His Excellency the President through the Superintendent of the County.

Duties of Municipal Board

Penalty for violation of regulations.

Section 7. That all taxes and licenses collected in the area now known as the Municipal District of Buchanan, are hereby granted to the Administrative Board, subject to authorized deduction for salaries herein prescribed, and amounts expended for Municipal improvement and up-keep, provided, however, that the said licenses and taxes shall be collected through the Agency of the Collector of Internal Revenue, and held by a Depositary to be designated by the Commissioner, subject to the approval of the President who shall subject the drawing of sums for Municipal purposes by the Commissioner. The accounts of the Board shall be submitted quarterly to the Bureau of Audit by the Commissioner, and no expense shall be authorized except such as may have previously been approved by the President.

Taxes and licenses granted to Administrative Board.

How collected

Section 8. That there shall be established within the limits of said Municipal District, One Municipal Court, which shall be presided over by a Police Magistrate, who shall be appointed by the President and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and within the limits of the City shall have the power and jurisdiction of a Justice of the Peace, over the violation of all Administrative regulations and laws of the Republic, and shall be governed by the laws relating to Justices of the Peace. Nothing in this Act shall be construed in any wise to prohibit the Appointment of Associate Magistrates provided the number of said Associates does not exceed Three (3). The Salary of the Municipal Police Magistrate shall be Four

Municipal Court to be established.

Police Magistrate may make rules for Court with approval of the President.

Hundred Dollars per annum, which shall not be diminished during the term for which he was appointed. Associate Magistrates shall receive fees prescribed for the Justices of the Peace in cases tried by them. The Police Magistrate may, with the approval of the President make such rules for the Government of the Court as are not inconsistent with law. And he may require the Superintendent of Police to detail suitable number of Policemen to attend upon said Court.

Special jurisdiction.

Section 9. The Police Magistrate shall also have special Jurisdiction within the limits of the Municipal District in the following legal causes:—In all Actions of debt and damages not exceeding Three Hundred Dollars; and infraction of the Peace where the fine does not exceed Twenty-Five Dollars.

Clerks to be appointed by the President.

Section 10. There shall be a Clerk to the Commissioner of the Municipal District who shall also serve as Clerk to the Board, and shall be appointed by the President of the Republic of Liberia by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall receive a salary of Three Hundred Dollars per annum. There shall also be a Police Magistrate's Clerk to be appointed by the President whose duty it shall be to issue all legal precepts emanating from the Municipal Court of Buchanan; to keep the Minutes and records of the Court; a daily Bulletin of all cases and matters to be disposed of, and to perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Court, and shall be entitled to a salary of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars per annum. In cases of appeal the Clerk of the Municipal Court shall forward a correct transcript of the records of the cases to the Circuit Court of Grand Bassa County within Thirty days after adjournment of the particular Appeal Case Certified under his official signature and approved by the Magistrate; and the Judge of the Circuit Court shall hear and determine same upon the Certified records without a Jury. The Appeal bond shall in all cases be one and a half of the amount awarded by the Court, and shall be filed within Twenty-Four hours in matters of Misdemeanor Offences, and within Ten Days in civil Suits after Judgment. The Appellant shall pay all Cost within Fifteen days from the day of final Judgment.

Duties of Clerk of the Municipal Court.

Legal indebtedness to be ascertained and cancelled,

Section 11. That the Municipal Board shall as soon as it is organized, ascertain the legal indebtedness of the Cities of Upper and Lower Buchanan, and shall cancel all such evidence of indebtedness and in their stead issue indebtedness Certificates. The discharge of which the Board shall Annually make provisions for their retirement.

Section 12. If in any year the Municipal Revenue, as es-

estimated, shall not be sufficient for the necessary and approved expenses, the Municipal Board shall petition the National Legislature for special powers to impose rates and taxes to meet such deficiencies. Insufficient revenue.

Section 13. This Act shall take effect immediately and be published in Hand Bills. When effective.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 12, 1926.

## CHAPTER XII.

AN ACT DEFINING HOW OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENT ARE TO BE PAID IN FUTURE. January 29, 1926. S. 22.

WHEREAS the present system adopted in paying off Government Officials and Employees in the several Counties, Territories, and Districts of this Republic through the Heads of the several Departments does not work satisfactorily, Therefore, Preamble.

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

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, it shall be unlawful for the Secretary of the Treasury to pay to the Heads of Departments of Government the salaries and allowances of Officials and Employees serving under these Departments respectively in the several Counties, Territories and Districts of the Republic. How payments become unlawful.

Section 2. That in future every Official and Employee of Government within the several Counties, Territories and Districts of the Republic, shall receive their salaries and allowances direct from the Secretary of the Treasury from the Monthly Paysheet, under warrant of the President of the Republic. How officials and employees are to be paid.

Section 3. Any violation of the above law shall subject the violator to a fine not less than ONE HUNDRED nor more than FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS in good and lawful money of this Republic for each offence. Penalty for violation of Act.

Section 4. This law shall take effect immediately and be published in Hand Bills When effective.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by Limitation.

## CHAPTER XIII.

February 25, 1926. S. 23. AN ACT REPEALING AN ACT APPROVED OCTOBER 23, 1914, ENTITLED AN ACT ALTERING AND AMENDING AN ACT FIXING THE TIME OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL LEGISLATURE.

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

Act fixing time of meeting of Legislature repealed.

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, the Act of the Legislature Approved October 23, 1914, entitled "An Act altering and Amending An Act Fixing the time of meeting of the National Legislature," be and the same is hereby repealed.

Time of meeting.

Section 2. That the National Legislature of the Republic shall meet once each year in the City of Monrovia on the Second Monday in October, except the month of October succeeding each Quadrennial Election; when it shall meet on the second Monday in December but nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent special sessions of the Legislature from being called by the President under the constitution of the Republic.

Law in conflict with this Act repealed.

Section 3. Any law or parts of law conflicting with the provisions or any portion of the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 12, 1926.

## CHAPTER XIV.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR AIDES-DE-CAMP TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA February 2,  
1926. S. 25.

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

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, there shall be attached to the President of the Republic of Liberia Two Aides De Camp in the County of Montserrado, and one in each other County of the Republic Aides-de-Camp to the President.

Section 2. One of the Aides De Camp from the County of Montserrado shall be in regular attendance daily on the President, and shall receive an annual salary of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars. The other Aide De Camp shall receive payment per diem at the rate laid down by law for a Colonel when on service and travelling expense. Shall be in daily attendance on the President.

Section 3. That the rank of the Aides De Camp to the President of Liberia shall be that of Colonel. Rank.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 12, 1926.

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 CHAPTER XV.

AN ACT AMENDATORY TO AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF THE EXISTING FLOATING PUBLIC DEBT, AND FOR THE REFUNDING OF THE 3 PERCENT BONDS OF 1918, APPROVED FEBRUARY 5TH., 1924. February 11,  
1926. H. 21.

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

Section 1. After the numbers "1925" on line twelve in Section 3, delete the remaining portion of said Section and insert these words, "annually in the month of January."

Section 2. After the word "given" on line eight in section 5, insert in the words "annually in the month of September." Amendment.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 16, 1926.

## CHAPTER XVI.

February 15,  
1926. S. 29.AN ACT ALTERING AND AMENDING AN ACT RELATING  
TO THE MILITIA PASSED AND APPROVED JANUARY  
27, 1863.

Preamble. Whereas disputes are constantly arising between the Auditor of the Republic, and Field and Line Officers of the several Regiments of the Liberian Army, with respect to the Allowance payable for services rendered said Officers when serving on the Board of Court-Martial following each regular quarterly Parade; and, Whereas it is conceded that commanding Officers of the Army should receive higher pay than their subordinates, but in view of the express provision of law to the contrary, as found in Act passed and approved January 27, 1863 Section 1 page 12, therefore;

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

Amendment. Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, the Act passed and approved January 27, 1863 be so amended as to read "that the pay of officers and members of the Regimental Court Martial shall be as follows:

The President shall receive \$3.00 per diem, Field Officers serving as members of the Board each \$2.00 per diem.

Line Officers serving as members of the Board each	\$ 1.50	per diem
Judge Advocate	" 2.00	" "
Adjutant	" 1.50	" "
Clerk	" 1.25	" "
Guards	" 1.25	" "

No mileage shall be paid. Section 2. That no amount for mileage shall be paid the above mentioned Officers.

May receive extra fees. Section 3. That nothing in this Act is to be construed to prevent such Officers, entitled to receive same, from receiving regular extra fees prescribed by existing laws.

Allowance for uniforms. Section 4. That each Field and Staff Officer shall receive one hundred dollars as an allowance for the supply of uniforms, said amount to be paid once in every three years, and the uniforms imported shall be admitted into the Republic free of duty. The provision of this section shall go into effect, as soon as the financial condition of this Republic warrants it.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.  
Approved February 16, 1926.

## CHAPTER XVII

JOINT RESOLUTION FIXING THE DAY OF ADJOURNMENT OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, THIRD SESSION 1925-1926, OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA. February 12,  
1926. H. 20.

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

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution the 3rd. Session of the Thirty-Fifth Legislature of the Republic of Liberia adjourn *Sine die* February 16th 1926. Adjournment  
of 3rd. Ses-  
sion of the-  
35th Legisla-  
ture.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

## CHAPTER XVIII.

JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIVE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LEGISLATURE FROM THE COUNTIES OF MONTSERRADO, GRAND BASSA, SINOE AND MARYLAND. January 21,  
1926. S. 14.

Whereas the inhabitants of the Counties of Montserrado, Grand Bassa, Sinoe and Maryland have increased, and under the Constitution warrant and entitle said Counties to an additional Representative respectively; therefore, Preamble.

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

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution an additional Representative in the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the Republic of Liberia, be and is hereby added to the number of Representatives in the Counties of Montserrado, Grand Bassa, Sinoe and Maryland respectively. Additional  
Representa-  
tives.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 28, 1926.

**PRIVATE ACTS**  
OF THE  
THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
OF THE  
**REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA**

CHAPTER XIX.

January 21, 1926. S. 6. JOINT RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE PATTEN MEMORIAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH KROO-TOWN, MONROVIA, IN THE COUNTY OF MONTSERRADO REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

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

Patten Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church Krootown, Monrovia, incorporated.

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution, Rev. C. S. Sanso, Pastor, Robert S Keyser, Treasurer, Geyplar Brown, N. Tugbeh Morton, Recording and District Stewards, Jacob Peter, J. Manning, J. W. S. Barbor, Kity Kor, S. B. Naboy and Tabah Karteh, Trustees; and their successors in office of said Patten Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, Krootown, Monrovia, in the County of Montserrado, Republic of Liberia, be and are hereby declared and constituted a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of the Patten Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, Krootown, Monrovia in the County of Montserrado, Republic of Liberia, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded

in any of the Courts of this Republic having competent Jurisdiction, and may own, hold, possess and enjoy real and personal property in the value of Twenty Thousand Dollars, and may do other things done by similar bodies politic and Corporate. May hold property to value of \$20,000.00

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 5, 1926.

CHAPTER XX.

JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING ANNUITY TO HANNAH LEWIS OF MONTSERRADO COUNTY, WIDOW OF THE LATE FRANK CARANDA LEWIS.

December 21  
1925, S. 1.

Whereas the late Frank Caranda Lewis of Virginia, in Montserrado County served his country in the Gbesseh Expedition of 1875 and received severe wounds whereby his health was impaired, and,

Preamble.

Whereas the said Frank Caranda Lewis died leaving an aged widow who is Physically helpless; therefore,

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

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution the said Hannah Lewis, be and she is hereby granted the sum of One Hundred Dollars per annum, as Annuity during her natural life, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to draw for same under warrant of the President from any monies in the Public Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Hannah  
Lewis grant-  
ed Annuity.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 5, 1926,

## CHAPTER XXI.

January 11,  
1926. H. 7.

JOINT RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE "JUBILEE BRASS BAND OF HARTFORDWARD OF THE ST. JOHN'S RIVER CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF GRAND BASSA, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

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

Jubilee Brass  
Band of Hart-  
ford-ward in-  
corporated.

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution, Thomas L. Morris, Manager; U. B. A. Dunn, Instructor; James Hutchins, Band Master; H. John L. Diggs, Secretary; James R. Clark, Treasurer; D. J. L. Scott, Conductor and such other persons as may from time to time become members of said Band, be and the same name are hereby declared a Body Politic and Corporate by the name and style of the "Jubilee Brass Band" of Hartford-ward of the Saint John's River City in the County of Grand Bassa; and shall be capable in Law to enjoy all the rights and privileges of any other bodies Corporate.

May hold  
property to  
value of  
\$ 2,000.00

Section 2. That the said Corporation may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded before any of the Courts of this Republic having competent jurisdiction and shall be allowed to acquire and hold real and personal property to the value of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars, and to do all other Acts and things done by similar Corporate bodies not inconsistent with the laws of the Republic.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 12, 1926.

## CHAPTER XXII.

January 12,  
1926 H. 13.

JOINT RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE "SOCIAL INTELLECTUAL AND IMPROVEMENT CLUB" OF THE CITY OF EDINA, GRAND BASSA COUNTY REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

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

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution, U. A. Potter, President, J. A. Benson, Vice-President, J. R. King, Secretary, J. E. Smith, Assistant Secretary, S Annette Potter, Treasurer, J. E. Johnson, Organist, Lavinia P.

P. King, Custodian W. F. R. Johnson, Lecturer, J. W. Early, Instructor, Clavender V. King, B. E. Johnson, Ellen C. Potter, Ettmarte C. Early, H. L. Harmon, Catherine H. C. Crusoe, E. F. Woods, et-al, Members; Revs. S. A. Liberty and J. S. Smith, Patrons, General T. M. Moore, Revs. J. R. Daves, T. J. King, Honourables F. E. R. Johnson, S. G. Harmon, L. A. Grimes, Honorary members and such other persons or persons that are or may become members of said organization are hereby declared a Body Politic and Corporate by the above name; and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any of the Courts of this Republic having competent jurisdiction; also own real and personal property to the value of Five Thousand (5,000.00) Dollars and may make constitutions, Bye Laws and Regulations that are not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this Republic; and to do other things that may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this organization.

Social Intellectual and Improvement Club of Edina incorporated ed.

May hold property to value of \$ 5,000.00.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding

Approved January 12, 1926.

#### CHAPTER XXIII

JOINT RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE GEORGE FAMLY COMPANY No. 1. OF THE BASSA TRIBE OF MONTSERRADO COUNTY.

January 21,  
1926 S. 17.

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

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution, Margar, Manager; Jacob, Inspector Billah General; R. S. Morgai, Captain, Karmmea, Collector; Peter, Treasurer; Tarjona Frank, Assistant Manager; Sam Myer, Vice Consul Misses Kasiab Gibson and such other persons as may hereafter become members, are hereby declared a body politic and Corporate under the name and style of the George Famly Company No. 1. of the Bassa Tribe of Monrovia, Montserrado County, shall sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any of the Courts of this Republic having competent jurisdiction, and shall hold real and personal estate to the value of (\$2,000.00) Two Thousand Dollars, and do any act not repugnant to the

George Family Company No. 1. of the Bassa Tribe of Monrovia incorporated.

May hold property to value of \$ 2,000.00

Constitution and Laws of this Republic in common with other bodies politic and corporate, for the purpose of carrying into effect the intentions of this organization.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by Limitation.

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CHAPTER XXIV.

January 12, 1926. H. 12. JOINT RESOLUTION RESTORING JOHN JALLAH OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND BASSA REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA TO CITIZENSHIP.

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

John Jallah restored to citizenship. Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution, John Jallah, of Grand Bassa County be and he is hereby restored to citizenship and to all the rights and privileges thereof in common with all other good citizens of this Republic.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by Limitation.

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CHAPTER XXV.

January 11, 1926. H. 6. JOINT RESOLUTION INCORPORATING "THE TRAINING COMPANY KROOTOWN, MONROVIA" MONTERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

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

Training Company Krootown, Monrovia, incorporated. Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution, Yau Kofah, Manager; Wredo Geplay, Assistant Manager; Sarwlay Jugleh, Manageress; Wree Tee, Assistant Manageress; F. K. Roberts, Secretary; Japroe Plagbay, Treasurer; Foh Dobah, Collector; Cautan Kronyan, Doctor; Saywon Monah, Purser; Teah Gbay, Judge; Dugbeh Toogbeh, General; Worcoh Mars Marswah, Captain; Dougba Carmo Caranda, Solicitor; and such other persons who are or may become members of said organization, be and are hereby declared a body Politic and Corporate under the name and style of the "Training Company

Krootown, Monrovia", Montserrado County, and as such may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded before any Court of this Republic having competent jurisdiction; may possess real and personal property to the value of Five Hundred (\$ 500.00) Dollars.

May hold  
property to  
value of  
\$ 500.00

Section 2. That the said Company may make Bye-Laws and Regulations not incompatible with the Laws of this Republic.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by Limitation.

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CHAPTER XXVI.

AN ACT GRANTING AN ANNUITY TO MRS. JOETTA TOLIVER OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND BASSA REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, WIDOW OF THE LATE HONOURABLE JAMES ARCHIBOLD TOLIVER, CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

December 23,  
1925. S. 4.

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

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, An Annuity of Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00) be and the same is hereby granted to Mrs. Joetta Toliver of the County of Grand Bassa, Republic of Liberia, widow of the Honourable James Archibold Toliver, late Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of this Republic of Liberia during her natural life, as a mark of appreciation for the invaluable service rendered the Republic by her late husband.

Mrs. Joetta  
Toliver granted  
Annuity.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to draw for same under warrant of the President, out of any moneys in the Public Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 12, 1926.

## CHAPTER XXVII

January 19. JOINT RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE ROBERTS-  
1926. S. 12. PORT PATRIOTIC MATRONS CLUB OF THE COUNTY  
OF GRAND CAPE MOUNT OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
LIBERIA

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

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint  
Resolution Lucretia A. David, President; Hannah A. Ware  
Secretary; Laura A. Emmons, Treasurer; S. E. A. Sherman,  
Eliza B. N. Jones, Matilda A. Chinoweth, Hannah Hoff, Amy E.  
Jones, Martha Marshall, Elsie Chinoweth, Anna A. Muhlenburg  
and Francis G. Striker and such other persons who are or may  
hereafter become officers and members of this Association,  
be and are hereby constituted and declared a body politic  
and Corporate under the name and style of the "Robertsport  
Patriotic Matrons Club" of the County of Grand Cape Mount  
in the Republic of Liberia; and by that name may sue and  
be sued, plead and be impleaded in any of the Courts of  
this Republic, having competent Jurisdiction, may own, hold  
and possess real and personal property in the value of Three  
Thousand Dollars; and may enjoy such other rights and privileges  
as other similar bodies Corporate and politic.

Robertsport  
Patriotic Ma-  
trons Club  
incorporated.

May hold  
property to  
value of \$3,  
000.00

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.  
Passed by Limitation.

## CHAPTER XXVIII

January 21. JOINT RESOLUTION INCORPORATING THE "SOCIAL  
1926. H. 14. INTELLECTUAL AND IMPROVEMENT CLUB BRASS  
BAND OF EDINA" COUNTY OF GRAND BASSA, RE-  
PUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

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

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint  
Resolution, J. R. King, Band Master C. R. H. Johnson,  
Assistant Band Master, J. S. Woods, Secretary, J. F. Brown,  
Treasurer, J. A. Deshield, Custodian, J. A. Benson, Instructor,  
J. F. Duncan, T. J. Deshield, Nicholas Johnson, J. E. Smith, S.  
C. Liberty, P. F. Taylor, Thomas King, C. A. Green, members

and other such person or persons that are or may become members of said Social Intellectual and Improvement Club Brass Band of Edina, Grand Bassa County, Republic of Liberia, are hereby declared a body politic and Corporate by the above name; and by said name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any of the courts of this Republic having competent jurisdiction; also to own real and personal property to the value of Two Thousand (\$ 2,000.00) Dollars, and may make constitution, Bye Laws and Regulations that are not repugnant to the constitution, and laws of this Republic; and to do other things that may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this organization.

Social Intellectual and Improvement Club Brass Band of Edina incorporated.

May hold property to value of \$2,000.00

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 22, 1926.

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CHAPTER XXIX

JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING FIFTY ACRES OF PUBLIC LAND TO THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA FOR MISSIONARY PURPOSES, IN THE HOBAB SECTION. SAINT JOHN RIVER GRAND BASSA COUNTY. REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

January 25, 1926, H. 15.

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

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution Fifty acres of land, in the Hobab Section, Saint John River, County of Grand Bassa, Republic of Liberia, be and the same is hereby granted to the Board of Foreign Mission of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Liberia, for Missionary purposes.

Foreign Mission Board of Protestant Episcopal Church granted fifty acres of land.

Section 2. That the President of the Republic of Liberia be, and he is hereby authorized to grant a deed for Fifty acres of land to the said Board of Foreign Mission under the terms and for the purposes named in this Joint Resolution out of any Public Lands in the Hobab Section Saint John River, Grand Bassa County, not otherwise appropriated.

President to grant deed.

Shall revert  
to the Republic  
when  
abandoned.

Section 3. That the said Foreign Mission Board and their Successors shall possess and hold the aforementioned Fifty acres of land as long as the said land is used for the purposes herein set forth. When the said land ceases to be used, it shall revert to the Republic. The said Board shall pay the expenses of the survey of said parcel of land.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved January 28, 1926.

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CHAPTER XXX

January 28,  
1926. H. 17.

JOINT RESOLUTION AMENDING A PORTION OF A JOINT RESOLUTION GRANTING E. D. HUBBARD OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD OF THE BAPTIST CONVENTION (INC) UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ONE HUNDRED ACRES OF PUBLIC LAND IN THE DISTRICT OF CAREYSBURG, MONTSERRADO COUNTY, FOR MISSIONARY PURPOSES' APPROVED JANUARY 14, 1925.

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

Amendment.

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Joint Resolution, the said "Joint Resolution granting to E. D. Hubbard of the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention (INC) United States of America, One (100) Hundred Acres of public land in the District of Careysburg, Montserrado County for Missionary purposes" Approved January 14, 1925, be so amended as to read in Section 1, on third line after the word "granted" insert the following: "THE NATIONAL BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION BOARD UNINCORPORATED."

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 2, 1926.

JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY TO COMPENSATE C. D. MAJORS OF SINOE COUNTY FOR ELEVEN MONTHS SERVICES RENDERED AS CLERK TO THE SUPERINTENDENT SINOE COUNTY.

January 19, 1926 S. 18.

CHAPTER XXXI

Whereas C. D. Majors, of Sinoe County served the Superintendent of said County for Twelve months, and received compensation from the Government for only one month at the rate of twenty-five dollars per month, and,

Preamble

Whereas the correctness of the claim made by said C. D. Majors is certified by certificate of the Superintendent of said County and verified by the said C. D. Majors' Oath. Therefore:

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

Section 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Joint Resolution C. D. Majors of the County of Sinoe be compensated for Eleven months services rendered as Clerk to the Superintendent for said County at the rate, of Twenty-five Dollars per month making a total for eleven months Two hundred and seventy-five dollars. And the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to issue bonds for said amount under warrant of the President.

C. D. Majors to be compensated.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed by Limitation.

Approved February 12 1926

## CHAPTER XXXII.

February 10.  
1926. S. 26.

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE ELIJAH JOHNSON EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MONROVIA, MONTERRADO COUNTY REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

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

Elijah Johnson Educational Institute of Monrovia incorporated.

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, Doughba Carmo Caranda, Founder and Principal, Arthur Barclay, Chairman Board of Trustees; W Sampson Brooks, Abayomi Karnga, T. J. K. Faulkner, R. L. Embree, Robert Karpch, S. J. Taylor, S. A. Liberty, C. B. Reeves, A. B. Mars, E. J. S. Worrell, James W. Cooper, Trustees; F. E. R. Johnson, Solomon Porter Hood, H. Too Wesley, John G. A. Richards, Edwin J. Barclay and M. Massaquoi, Patrons of the Elijah Johnson Educational Institute of Monrovia, Montserrado County, together with others and their successors in office, are hereby declared and constituted a body Corporate and Politic under the name and style of the Elijah Johnson Educational Institute of Monrovia, Montserrado County, Republic of Liberia with power to hold, possess and enjoy real and personal property to the value of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) that may be acquired, by purchase, bequeath, gift, endowments or otherwise.

May hold property to value of \$250,000.00.

Section 2. That the said Institute or body Corporate shall have the right to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded before any of the Courts of this Republic having competent Jurisdiction and shall have the right to do all other things done by similar bodies Corporate.

Section 3. That the said Institute or body Corporate is hereby vested with full power and authority to make and establish such Bye-laws and regulations for their Government and the Government of the said Institution and employees maintained by them and to do all other Acts and things done by similar bodies Corporate and politic that are not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the Republic of Liberia,

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding,

Approved February 12, 1926.

## CHAPTER XXXIII.

AN ACT CHARTERING THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL SUNDAY SCHOOL OF MONTSERRADO COUNTY LIBERIAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

February 16,  
1926. S. 27.

*Is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia in Legislature assembled:*

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this Act, J. Samuel Dennis, President, Phillip F. Simpson, W. Augusta Carter, and Gabriel E. Knuckles, Vice Presidents, C. Henry A. Scott, Recording Secretary, and J. Samuel Simpson, Assistant, John T. Smith, Corresponding Secretary, Thomas J. R. Faulkner, Treasurer, and B. J. K. Anderson, John G. A. Richards, George H. Van Dimmerson, James W. Cooper, T. Ebenezer Ward, John H. Smyth, John T. Smith, John H. Wilson, and D. E. Howard, Directors of the Missionary and Educational Convention of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday School of Montserrado County Liberian Annual Conference together with others and their successors in office, are hereby declared and constituted a body Corporate and Politic with perpetual successions by the name and style of the "Methodist Episcopal Missionary and Educational Convention of Montserrado County Liberian Annual Conference" with power to hold, possess, own and enjoy real and personal property to the value of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars, that may be acquired by purchase, bequeath, gifts, endowment or otherwise.

Methodist  
Episcopal  
Missionary  
and Educa-  
tional Con-  
vention of  
Montserrado  
County Libe-  
rian Annual  
Conference in-  
corporated.

May hold  
property to  
value of  
\$ 500,000.00.

Section 2. And the said Sunday School Convention or body corporate shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded before any of the Courts of this Republic having competent Jurisdiction and shall have the right and privilege to do all other things done by similar bodies politic and Corporate.

Section 3. That the said Sunday School Convention or body Corporate is hereby vested with full power and authority to make and establish such bye-laws and regulations for their Government, and for the Government of the schools and employees maintained by them, and to do all other acts and things done by similar bodies Corporate, and politic that are not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the Republic of Liberia.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved February 16, 1926.

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