

CHAP. XXX.—An Act to amend an act entitled “An act to establish a Nitre and Mining Bureau,” approved April twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

June 9, 1864.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That the act approved April twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, constituting the Nitre and Mining Bureau an independent bureau of the War Department, be amended as follows: That the Nitre and Mining Bureau shall consist of one Colonel as Chief of bureau, two Lieutenant Colonels, six Majors, twelve Captains, who shall have the same pay and allowances prescribed for officers of cavalry of the same grade.

See ante, p. 114, ch. 35. Officers of the Nitre and Mining Bureau.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That chemists and professional assistants, absolutely essential for the operations of the bureau, not to exceed six of each class, shall be appointed by the Secretary of War, with pay in no case to be above that of Lieutenant Colonel of the commissioned corps.

Pay and allowances. Appointment of chemists and professional assistants Pay.

SEC. 3. That this act shall continue in force only during the present war.

How long act in force.

APPROVED June 9, 1864.

CHAP. XXXI.—An Act making appropriations for the postal service of the Confederate States for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

June 10, 1864.

WHEREAS, in the administration of the affairs of the Post-Office Department, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two and eighteen hundred and sixty-three, current expenses for mail service were met by drafts on postmasters, for accruing postage and revenue under regulations providing for subsequent adjustment of such transactions at the treasury; And, whereas, it appears that estimates were submitted from time to time by the Postmaster General, for appropriations by Congress, of the revenues of the Department towards the necessary expenses thereof, but from some cause certain appropriations estimated for in eighteen hundred and sixty-two and eighteen hundred and sixty-three were omitted. To remedy this omission,

Preamble.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury, being the revenues arising from postage, sales of postage stamps and emoluments from box rents for the years eighteen hundred and sixty-two and eighteen hundred and sixty-three, no appropriations having been heretofore made for those years, viz:

Appropriations for the postal service.

For transportation of the mails, compensation of postmasters and clerks, ship, steamboat and way letters, advertising, mail bags, office furniture, blanks and printing, wrapping paper, mail locks, keys and stamps, mail depredations and special agents, postage stamps and miscellaneous payments for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, two hundred and seventy-six thousand three hundred and fifty-five dollars and twenty-three cents.

For the year 1862.

For transportation of the mails, compensation of postmasters and clerks, ship, steamboat and way letters, advertising, mail bags, office furniture, blanks and printing, wrapping paper, mail locks, keys and stamps, mail depredations and special agents, postage stamps and miscellaneous payments, for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, two million seven hundred and thirty-seven thousand three hundred and two dollars and thirty cents.

For the year 1863.

APPROVED June 10, 1864.