

now received by boys enlisted in said corps, under the authority of the Secretary of the Navy.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That to defray the expenses and compensation of a commissioner to the republic of Paraguay, (should it be deemed proper by the President to appoint one,) in execution of the joint resolution of the present session "for the adjustment of difficulties with the Republic of Paraguay," ten thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary: *Provided*, That the compensation hereby allowed shall not exceed the rate of seven thousand five hundred dollars per annum for the time employed.

Commissioner to Paraguay.
Post, p. 370.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That all the steamships of the navy of the United States now building, or hereafter to be built, shall be named by the Secretary of the Navy, under the direction of the President of the United States, according to the following rule, namely: All those of forty guns or more shall be considered of the first class, and shall be called after the States of the Union; those of twenty guns and under forty shall be considered as of the second class, and be called after the rivers and principal towns or cities; and all those of less than twenty guns shall be the third class, and named by the Secretary of the Navy as the President may direct, care being taken that no two vessels in the navy shall bear the same name.

Mode of naming steamships.
1st class, 40 guns and over, to be named after States; 2d class, between 20 and 40 guns, after rivers and principal cities; 3d class, less than 20 guns, as President may direct.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Navy cause to be constructed, as speedily as may be consistent with the public interests, seven steam screw sloops of war, with full steam power, whose greatest draught of water shall not exceed fourteen feet, which ships shall combine the heaviest armament and greatest speed compatible with their character and tonnage; and one side-wheel war steamer, whose greatest draught shall not exceed eight feet, armed and provided for service in the China seas; and that there be, and is hereby, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, for the purpose above specified, the sum of twelve hundred thousand dollars, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Seven steam screw sloops to be built.

\$1,200,000 appropriated.

APPROVED, June 12, 1858.

CHAP. CLIV.—*An Act making Appropriations for sundry Civil Expenses of the Government for the Year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine.*

June 12, 1858.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated for the objects hereafter expressed, for the fiscal year ending the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, viz:

Appropriation.

Survey of the Coast.—For continuing the survey of the Atlantic and Gulf coast of the United States, (including compensation to superintendent and assistants, and excluding pay and emoluments of officers of the army and navy, and petty officers and men of the navy employed on the work,) two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Coast survey.

For continuing the survey of the western coast of the United States, one hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

For continuing the survey of the Florida reefs and keys (excluding pay and emoluments of officers of the army and navy, and petty officers and men of the navy employed on the work,) forty thousand dollars.

For running a line to connect the triangulation on the Atlantic coast with that on the Gulf of Mexico, across the Florida peninsula, ten thousand dollars.

For repairs of the Crawford, Madison, Mason, and George M. Bache, and other sailing vessels used in the coast survey, ten thousand dollars.

Coast Survey. For pay and rations of engineers for seven steamers, used in the hydrography of the coast survey, no longer supplied by the Navy Department, twelve thousand eight hundred dollars: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Treasury may make such allowances to the officers and men of the army and navy, while employed on coast survey service, for subsistence, in addition to their compensation, as he may deem necessary, not exceeding the sum authorized by the treasury regulation of the eleventh May, eighteen hundred forty-four.

Deficiency for seamen.

To supply deficiency in the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Lighthouse establishment.

Lighthouse Establishment.—For the Atlantic, gulf, and lake coasts, viz:

For supplying five hundred and fifty-six light-houses and beacon lights with oil, glass-chimneys, wicks, chamois skins, polishing powder, whitening, and cleaning materials, transportation and other necessary expenses of the same, repairing and keeping in repair the lighting apparatus, one hundred and thirty-eight thousand seven hundred and twenty-four dollars and forty-five cents.

For repairs and incidental expenses, refitting and improvements of all the light-houses and buildings connected therewith, one hundred and seventy-three thousand two hundred and eighty-nine dollars and twenty-one cents.

For salaries of six hundred and eleven keepers of light-houses and light-beacons and their assistants, sixty thousand dollars.

For salaries of fifty-two keepers of light-vessels, twenty thousand two hundred and six dollars and fifty-seven cents.

For seamen's wages, repairs, supplies, and incidental expenses of fifty-two light-vessels, one hundred and eighty-five thousand one hundred and ninety-nine dollars and fifty cents.

For expenses of raising, cleaning, painting, repairing, remooring, and supplying losses of buoys and day beacons, and for chains and sinkers for the same, and for coloring and numbering all the buoys, eighty-two thousand two hundred and twenty-eight dollars and seventy-eight cents.

For Pacific coast.

For the Coasts of California, Oregon, and Washington.—For oil and other supplies for twenty-four lights, cleaning materials of all kinds, and transportation of the same, expenses of keeping lamps and machinery in repair, publishing notices to mariners of changes of aids to navigation, one thousand four hundred and seventy-two dollars and ninety-one cents.

For repairs and incidental expenses of twenty-four lights, and buildings connected therewith, twenty-four thousand five hundred and sixty-three dollars.

1856, ch. 160.

For maintenance of the vessel provided for by the act of eighteenth August, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, for inspection and transportation purposes, thirty thousand dollars.

Ante, p. 100.

For fuel and quarters for officers of the army serving on light-house duty, the payment of which is no longer provided for by the quartermaster's department, seven thousand and thirty-four dollars and five cents.

Army officers on light-house duty.

For compensation of two superintendents for the life-saving stations on the coasts of Long Island and New Jersey, three thousand dollars.

For compensation of fifty-four keepers of stations, at two hundred dollars each, ten thousand eight hundred dollars.

For contingencies for life-saving apparatus on the coast of the United States, twelve thousand dollars.

Life-boats, &c.

For the purchase of the best self-righting life-boat, to be placed at each of the twenty-eight life-saving stations on the coast of New Jersey, six thousand four hundred and forty dollars.

For the purchase of the best life-boats, to be approved by the Treasury Department, for use on the coast of Long Island, ten thousand dollars.

For procuring two additional improved metallic life-boats, a metallic life-car, and necessary harness, lines, and other suitable articles, to be

used under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury in saving life, in case of marine disaster off Galveston station, Texas, ten thousand dollars.

Survey of the Public Lands. For surveying the public lands, (exclusive of California, Oregon, Washington, New Mexico, Kansas, Nebraska, and Utah,) including incidental expenses and island surveys in the interior, and all other special and difficult surveys demanding augmented rates, to be apportioned and applied to the several surveying districts, according to the exigencies of the public service, including expenses of selecting swamp lands, and the compensation and expenses to survey or to locate private land claims in Louisiana, in addition to the unexpended balances of all former appropriations, forty thousand dollars.

Survey of public lands.

For correcting erroneous and defective lines of public and private surveys in Illinois and Missouri, at a rate not exceeding six dollars per mile, one thousand dollars.

For surveying in Louisiana, at augmented rates now authorized by law, three thousand dollars.

For surveying the public lands and private land claims in California, including office expenses incident to the survey of claims, and to be disbursed at the rates prescribed by law for the different kinds of work, one hundred thousand dollars.

For continuing the survey of base, meridian, standard parallels, township and section lines in New Mexico, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For surveying such of the private claims in New Mexico as shall have been confirmed by congress, including expenses incurred by the surveyor-general in adjudicating the same, fifteen thousand dollars.

For surveying the necessary base, meridian, standard parallels, township and section lines in Kansas and Nebraska, also outlines of Indian reservations, one hundred thousand dollars.

For preparing the unfinished records of public and private surveys to be transferred to the State authorities, under the provisions of the act of twelfth June, eighteen hundred and forty, in those districts where the surveys are about being completed, ten thousand dollars.

1840, ch. 36.
Vol. v. p. 384.

For resurveys and examinations of the surveys of the public lands in those States where the offices of the surveyors-general have been, or shall be, closed, under the acts of the twelfth June, eighteen hundred and forty, and twenty-second January, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, including two thousand dollars for the salary of the clerk detailed to this special service in the General Land-Office, two thousand dollars.

1840, ch. 36.
1853, ch. 24.
Vol. x. p. 152.

For collection of agricultural statistics, investigations for promoting agriculture and rural economy, and the procurement of cuttings and seeds, sixty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Patents to submit to the Secretary of the Interior, at the commencement of each session of Congress, the invoices of seeds and cuttings purchased with the money hereby appropriated; and also a statement of expenses in procuring agricultural statistics, and incidental expenses in procuring seeds, cuttings, and information.

Agricultural statistics, &c.

Statement of purchases and expenses to be submitted to congress.

For drawings to illustrate the mechanical report of the Commissioner of Patents for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, six thousand dollars.

Drawings for patent-office report.

Hospital for the Insane.—For the support, clothing, and medical treatment of the insane of the District of Columbia, and of the army and navy at the asylum in said District, twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars.

Insane hospital in District of Columbia.

For salaries and incidental expenses of the institution for the instruction of the deaf, dumb, and blind in the District of Columbia, authorized by the act approved May twenty-nine, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, three thousand dollars.

Deaf, dumb, and blind.

1858, ch. 59.
Ante, p. 293.

For extension of stables and erection of sheds in connexion with the stock yard, four thousand dollars.

For heating and ventilating the entire unfinished remainder of the hospital edifice, and for slightly remodelling the heating apparatus of the present finished portions of the building, so that the heating and ventilation of the whole establishment shall be one connected and efficient system, fifteen thousand dollars.

Transient paupers. For support, care, and medical treatment of forty transient paupers, medical and surgical patients in Washington Infirmary, six thousand dollars.

Public grounds. For purchase of manure for the public grounds, one thousand dollars.

For hire of carts on the public grounds, one thousand and ninety-five dollars and fifty cents.

For purchase and repair of tools used in the public grounds, five hundred dollars.

For purchase of trees and tree-boxes, to replace where necessary such as have been planted by the United States, and the repair of pavements in front of the public grounds, five thousand dollars.

Repairs of capitol, &c. For annual repairs of the Capitol, water-closets, public stables, water pipes, pavements, and other walks within the Capitol Square, broken glass and locks, six thousand dollars.

Library of congress. To enable the commissioner of public buildings to fit up with shelves the two rooms at the south end of the library of Congress, for the use of the library, and for putting up a partition in the passage to them, two hundred and seventy dollars.

Repairs of President's house, &c. For annual repairs of the President's house and furniture, improvement of grounds, purchasing trees and plants for garden and making hot-beds therein, and contingent expenses incident thereto, twelve thousand dollars.

Fuel. For fuel, in part, of the President's house, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

Lighting President's house, &c. For lighting the President's house and capitol, the public grounds around them and around the executive offices, and Pennsylvania Avenue, and Bridge and High streets in Georgetown, forty-three thousand dollars.

For erecting thirty additional lamp posts in Bridge and High streets, in Georgetown, eight hundred and ten dollars.

Books for executive mansion. For purchase of books for [the] library at the executive mansion, to be expended under the direction of the President of the United States, two hundred and fifty dollars.

Repairs of bridges and roads. For repairs of the Potomac, Navy Yard, and upper bridges, six thousand dollars.

For repairs of Pennsylvania Avenue, three thousand dollars.

To pay the residue of the salary due the engineer for constructing the bridge across the Potomac at Little Falls, two thousand five hundred and eighty-nine dollars and sixty-seven cents; and for painting the hand-rails, and iron work of said bridge, four hundred dollars; and the bridge is hereby placed under protection of Georgetown, with power to regulate the speed of travel and the passage of droves of cattle over the same, but no tolls shall be charged.

For public reservation number two, Lafayette Square, three thousand dollars.

Care of grounds, &c. For taking care of the grounds south of the President's house and keeping them in order, one thousand dollars.

For the payment of laborers employed in shovelling snow from the walks to and around the Capitol, the President's house, and the pavements along the government reservations on Pennsylvania Avenue, eight hundred dollars.

Repairs. For repairs of water pipes, five hundred dollars.

For repairs of the furnaces under the Senate Chamber and Supreme Court room, one thousand dollars.

For casual repairs of the Patent Office building, three thousand dollars.

Completing. For completing the west wing of the Patent-Office building, filling up

the southwest corner of the square, setting the curb, and raising Ninth street in front of the building to its proper grade, fifty thousand dollars. west wing of the Patent-Office building.

For repairing the fence around that portion of the mall upon which the Smithsonian institution is situated, one thousand dollars.

For cleaning out the sewer traps on Pennsylvania Avenue, three hundred dollars.

For purchasing plants for the conservatory at the President's house, one thousand dollars. Plants for conservatory.

For the completion of the Washington aqueduct, eight hundred thousand dollars, and, in addition thereto, so much of the appropriation of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars "for paying existing liabilities for the Washington aqueduct, and preserving the work already done from injury," Washington aqueduct.

contained in the act entitled "An act making appropriations for certain civil expenses of the government for the year ending the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven," approved eighteenth August, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, as may not be required for said purposes. 1856, ch. 129. Ante, p. 86.

For United States Capitol Extension, seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That none of this appropriation shall be expended in embellishing any part of the Capitol extension with sculpture or paintings unless the designs for the same shall have undergone the examination of a committee of distinguished artists, not to exceed three in number, to be selected by the President, and that the designs which said committee shall accept shall also receive the subsequent approbation of the Joint Committee on the Library of Congress, but this provision shall not be so construed as to apply to the execution of designs heretofore made and accepted from Crawford and Rogers. Capitol extension. No part for embellishments with sculpture, &c., unless, &c.

For extension of the General Post Office, one hundred thousand dollars.

For binding two thousand four hundred copies of Code of the District of Columbia, at seventy-five cents per copy, authorized by act approved third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars. Extension of Gen. Post-Office. Binding Code of District of Columbia. 1855, ch. 174. Vol. x. p. 642.

For defraying the expenses of a certain party of Omaha Indians who visited the city of Washington during the months of February and March, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior—being the balance of a former appropriation, which was carried to the surplus fund on the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven—three hundred and thirty-five dollars. Visit of Omaha Indians.

For continuing the extension of the Treasury building, five hundred thousand dollars. Extension of treasury building.

For continuing the work on the custom-house at New Orleans, Louisiana, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Continuing work on custom-house at New Orleans, La.

For continuing the work on the custom-house at Charleston, South Carolina, two hundred thousand dollars. At Charleston, S. C.

For the completion of custom-houses at the following places, viz: at Ellsworth, Maine, two thousand dollars; at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, fifty thousand dollars; at Bristol, Rhode Island, including fencing and grading, five thousand dollars; at New Haven, Connecticut, sixty thousand dollars; at Oswego, New York, ten thousand dollars; at Plattsburg, New York, ten thousand dollars; at Newark, New Jersey, ten thousand dollars; at Norfolk, Virginia, twenty thousand dollars; at Pensacola, Florida, five thousand dollars; at St. Louis, Missouri, twenty thousand dollars; at Mobile, Alabama, including fencing and paving, thirty thousand dollars; at Galena, Illinois, ten thousand dollars; at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, ten thousand dollars; and for annual repairs at custom-houses, fifteen thousand dollars. Completion of certain custom-houses.

For the completion of marine hospitals at the following places, viz: at Portland, Maine, three thousand dollars; at St. Mark's, Florida, two thousand five hundred dollars; at New Orleans, Louisiana, including filling up site, grading, introducing gas and water pipes and fixtures, and fencing, Annual repairs

at Completion of certain marine hospitals.

- Annual repairs. at Cincinnati, Ohio, fifty thousand dollars ; at Galena, Illinois, five thousand dollars ; and for annual repairs at marine hospitals, fifteen thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no portion of the sums herein appropriated for the completion of custom-houses and marine hospitals excepting those for Charleston and New Orleans, shall be expended until the Secretary of the Treasury shall be satisfied that the sums respectively appropriated will complete the buildings for which they are intended and until arrangements shall be made to carry this into effect.
- Proviso.
- Fencing, &c. and furnishing certain custom-houses. For fencing, grading, paving, and furnishing the custom-houses at the following places, viz: At Ellsworth, Maine three thousand dollars ; at Bath, Maine, (for furniture alone,) eleven hundred dollars ; at Burlington, Vermont, four thousand six hundred dollars ; at New Haven, Connecticut, eight thousand five hundred dollars ; at Oswego, New York, seven thousand three hundred dollars ; at Plattsburg, New York, nine thousand nine hundred dollars ; at Newark, New Jersey, five thousand two hundred dollars ; at Alexandria, Virginia, three thousand seven hundred dollars ; at Norfolk, Virginia, twelve thousand dollars ; at Mobile, Alabama, (for furniture alone,) two thousand six hundred dollars ; at Pensacola, Florida, two thousand five hundred dollars ; at St. Louis, Missouri, fourteen thousand six hundred dollars ; at Louisville, Kentucky, three thousand nine hundred dollars ; at Cleveland, Ohio, seven thousand one hundred dollars ; at Galena, Illinois, three thousand seven hundred dollars ; at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, seven thousand seven hundred dollars.
- Fencing, &c. and furnishing certain marine hospitals. For fencing, grading, paving, and furnishing the marine hospitals at the following places, viz: at Burlington, Vermont, three thousand four hundred dollars ; at Chelsea, Massachusetts, (out-buildings, grading and fencing,) nineteen thousand seven hundred dollars ; at St. Mark's, Florida, twelve hundred dollars ; at Detroit, Michigan, seven thousand five hundred dollars ; at Galena, Illinois, three thousand eight hundred dollars ; at Burlington, Iowa, four thousand one hundred dollars.
- Portraits of Presidents. To enable the Library Committee to complete the payments for a series of portraits of the Presidents of the United States, contracted for under authority of Congress, and for framing the same, five thousand dollars.
- J. T. Barclay's plan for preventing counterfeiting U. S. coins. *Ante*, p. 254. For paying the expenses of the commissioners appointed in pursuance of the joint resolution of the twenty-sixth of February, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, to enquire into and test the process of J. T. Barclay for preventing the counterfeiting the coins of the United States, in addition to the sum appropriated by said resolution, eight hundred dollars.
- Printing during 33d & 34th congresses. For printing ordered by the Senate and House of Representatives during the thirty-third and thirty-fourth congresses, and paper for the same, eighty thousand dollars.
- Binding, engravings, &c. house documents. For binding documents ordered to be printed by the House of Representatives during the thirty-third and thirty-fourth congresses, and for engravings, lithographs, and electrotypes for the same, one hundred and twenty-three thousand dollars.
- Binding, engravings, &c. senate documents. For binding documents ordered to be printed by the Senate during the thirty-third and thirty-fourth congresses, and for engravings, lithographs, and electrotypes for the same, one hundred and thirteen thousand dollars.
- Statistics of manufactures according to 7th census. To enable the Secretary of the Interior to complete the digest of the statistics of manufactures according to the returns of the seventh census, three thousand five hundred dollars, but the work is not to be undertaken unless the Secretary of the Interior shall be satisfied that the sum hereinbefore mentioned will complete the work.
- Repairs of jail in Washington city. For making the necessary repairs to the jail in Washington city, and putting venetian blinds to the windows, the sum of eight hundred and forty dollars.
- Draughtsman of committees on public buildings. To pay the draughtsman employed by the committees on public buildings and grounds of the two houses of Congress, for drawings and calcu-

lations furnished, and incidental expenses defrayed by him during the last and present session of Congress, five hundred and twenty-eight dollars.

For satisfying the claims of the States of Maine and Massachusetts, under the stipulation of the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded on the ninth day of August, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand four hundred and ninety-six dollars and eighty-one cents in satisfaction of such claims of the State of Maine; and nine thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars and thirteen cents in satisfaction of like claims of the State of Massachusetts; to be audited by the proper accounting officers of the treasury.

Claims of Maine & Massachusetts, vol. viii. p. 572.

For defraying the expense of carrying into execution the joint resolution, approved May eleven, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight "authorizing suitable acknowledgments to be made by the President to the British naval authorities at Jamaica for the relief extended to the officers and crew of the United States ship *Susquehannah*, disabled by yellow fever," three thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Acknowledgments to British naval authorities at Jamaica. *Post*, p. 369.

For the payment of three companies of volunteers called into the service of the United States in the Territory of Kansas in eighteen hundred and fifty-six by the order of the governor of that territory, eight thousand six hundred and sixty-eight dollars and fourteen cents.

Volunteers in Kansas in 1856.

For the contingent expenses of the Senate, viz :

Contingent expenses of the senate.

For miscellaneous items, and paying fees of witnesses before committees of the Senate, seven thousand seven hundred dollars.

To John B. Muttý, for compensation as acting secretary of the Territory of Nebraska during the vacancy created by the death of T. B. Cummings, three hundred and sixteen dollars and thirty-five cents.

John B. Muttý

For lithographing and engraving ordered by the Senate during the present session, the sum of forty-five thousand dollars.

Lithographs, &c

For binding documents ordered to be printed by the Senate during the present session, the sum of forty thousand dollars.

Binding.

To supply a deficiency in the appropriation for legislative and contingent expenses of Washington Territory for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary; and the register of the land-office and receiver of public monies in the Territory of New Mexico shall receive the same compensation now allowed by law to the same class of officers in Washington Territory: *Provided*, their compensation including fees shall not exceed three thousand dollars each per annum.

Deficiency for Washington Territory in 1857.

Pay of register and receiver in New Mexico.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the balance of the appropriation of two thousand two hundred dollars, "for flagging footway in the congressional burying-ground from the entrance of the same to the government vault," per act approved third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, be applied in extending the flagging the whole length of the avenue, as was originally intended; and that the appropriation of one thousand five hundred dollars "for the construction of a wooden bridge, with a double track, across the canal, in the line of Maine Avenue," per same act, may be applied to the erection of a footbridge in lieu thereof, as recommended by the Commissioner of Public Buildings.

Congressional burying-ground.

1857, ch. 108. *Ante*, p. 226.

Maine Avenue.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That section six of an act passed August eighteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An act making appropriations for certain civil expenses of the government for the year ending thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven," shall apply to the subsistence of the commissioner therein named from the time he entered upon the discharge of his duties, and the same shall be paid out of appropriations already made.

Act 1856, ch. 129, § 6, to apply to subsistence of commissioner under reciprocity treaty with Great Britain. *Ante*, p. 91.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That in addition to those now authorized by law, there may be employed by the Secretary of the Treasury, in the office of the Register of the Treasury, an additional clerk of

Secretary of Treasury may employ additional clerks.

Appropriation therefor.

Appropriations for contingent expenses of either House—how to be applied.

Extra compensation to clerks of committees to be allowed at treasury.

Commissioner of Public Buildings to keep streets in Washington, improved by the United States, free from obstructions.

May institute suits and district attorney to prosecute them.

Commissioner may give permits to lay gas pipes, &c.

Persons obstructing the streets to pay costs of removal and be fined \$10 for each day obstructions are continued after notice.

Persons removing paving, &c. and failing to replace the same, as directed—liable to penalty of \$25 for each failure, and costs of replacing the same.

Secretary of the Treasury to report to Congress applications of States and cities for reopening claims, &c. and the amount required for their payment.

Appeals under Act 1841, ch. 16, § 11, to be decided by Commissioner of General Land-Office.

the third class, and in the office of the Treasurer of the United States an additional clerk of the third class; and three thousand two hundred dollars to carry into effect the provisions of this section to the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, is [are] hereby appropriated.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That no part of the appropriations which may be at any time made for the contingent expenses of either House of Congress, shall be applied to any other than the ordinary expenditures of the Senate and House of Representatives, nor as extra allowance to any clerk, messenger, or attendant of the said two Houses or either of them, nor as payment or compensation to any clerk, messenger, or other attendant of the said two Houses, or either of them, unless such clerk, messenger, or other attendant, be so employed by a resolution of one of said Houses.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That the extra compensation paid out of the contingent fund of the Senate, to clerks of committees, under the resolution of the fourteenth March, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, be allowed at the treasury.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Public Buildings to cause obstructions of every kind to be removed from such streets, avenues, and side-walks in the city of Washington as have been, or may be hereafter, improved in whole or in part by the United States, and to keep the same, at all times, free from obstructions; and, for this purpose, he shall have power to institute suits in any court having competent jurisdiction in the District of Columbia; and it shall be the duty of the district attorney for said district to prosecute the same; and whenever any person shall desire to remove the paving stones, or to displace any other work done by the authority of the United States, for the purpose of laying gas pipes, or for any other purpose, it shall be the duty of such person to obtain a written permit from the said Commissioner; and such persons shall oblige themselves to replace the said work to the satisfaction of the said Commissioner, and within such time as he may prescribe.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted,* That if any person shall place [any] obstruction on the streets, avenues, or side-walks aforesaid, such person shall pay the costs of removing the same, and shall moreover, be subject to a penalty of ten dollars, to be recovered as other debts are recovered in the District of Columbia, for each and every day the said obstruction may remain after the Commissioner shall have given notice for its removal. And if any person or persons removing the paving stones or other work done by the authority of the United States, shall fail to replace the same to the satisfaction of the Commissioner, within the time prescribed by him, he or they shall be subject to a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each and every failure, and shall moreover, pay the costs of replacing the same, the whole to be recovered before any court in the District of Columbia, having competent jurisdiction; and that this and the preceding section shall continue in force until repealed by Congress.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be instructed to report to Congress, at its next regular session, all applications made by the constituted authorities of the State[s] and cities, for the reopening and re[ex]amination of the settlements heretofore made with such State[s] and cities, and report the principle of readjustments upon which such claim is based, and the amount thereof. And the Secretary of the Treasury is further instructed to report to Congress at its next regular session, the gross amount that will be required to pay such claim to the States and cities of the United States.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That the eleventh section of the act of Congress, approved September fourth, eighteen hundred and forty one, entitled "an act to appropriate the proceeds of the public lands, and to grant preëmption rights," be so amended that appeals from

the decisions of the district officers, in cases of contest between different settlers for the right of preëmption, shall hereafter be decided by the Commissioner of the General Land-Office, whose decision shall be final, unless appeal therefrom be taken to the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury be directed to ascertain as among the expenditures of the State of Maine, in defending the territory heretofore in dispute with Great Britain, the amounts paid in borrowing money for those expenditures beyond the rate of six per centum per annum, whether in the form of discounts or otherwise, in all cases in which the principal of such expenditures, and interest upon them, at the rate of six per centum, have heretofore been refunded to said State by the United States, and that the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to pay the amount so ascertained out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to any properly authorized officer of said State. In making the ascertainment herein directed, the accounting officers shall compute the principal and interest of the difference between the cash received by Maine, in negotiating stocks and notes, and the nominal amount of such stocks and notes, and the interest accrued thereon, and in cases where Maine was obliged in negotiating for moneys, to increase the rate of interest on previous loans, the amount of such increase shall be computed and allowed, but not so as to reckon interest upon interest.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of all acts and parts of acts, as require or authorize the Postmaster-General to publish notice of letting contracts to carry the mails in the respective States, in newspapers published in the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That the line surveyed by John C. McCoy, in eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, as the western boundary of the half-breed tract, specified in the tenth article of the treaty made between commissioners on the part of the United States, and certain Indian tribes at Prairie du Chien, on the fifteenth of July, eighteen hundred and thirty, be, and the same is hereby, established as the true western boundary of said tract.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That all the ruling and binding for the several executive departments shall be executed by practical and competent bookbinders, to be appointed by the head of the department.

SEC. 15. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States cause the sum of six thousand dollars to be advanced to Clark Mills, in addition to the sum already advanced out of the fifty thousand dollars appropriated by the act of January twenty-five, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, to erect at the Capitol of the nation, an Equestrian Statue of Washington, on the personal application and receipt of the said Mills: *Provided*, that the said Mills furnish the Secretary of the Interior such security for the completion of the statue as the Secretary may require.

SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of State be, and he is hereby, authorized to adjust, upon principles of equity and justice, the accounts of I. D. Andrews, late agent of the United States, for expenses and disbursements in connection with the Reciprocity Treaty, and that the same be paid according to said adjustment.

SEC. 17. *And be it further enacted*, That the Collectors of the Customs in the several collection districts be, and they are hereby and hereafter, required to act as disbursing agents for the payment of all moneys that are or may hereafter be appropriated for the construction of Custom-Houses, Court-Houses, Post-Offices, and Marine Hospitals, with such compensation, not exceeding one quarter of one per cent. as the Secretary of the Treasury may deem equitable and just: *And provided further*, That where there is no collector at the place of location of any public work herein specified, the superintendent of such public work shall act as dis-

Vol. v. p. 456.

State of Maine to be allowed for discounts and extra interest over 6 per cent. on money borrowed for defence of the territory heretofore in dispute with Great Britain.

Acts repealed requiring notice of letting contracts to carry the mails, to be published in Washington newspapers.

Western boundary of half-breed tract under treaty with certain Indian tribes established.

Vol. vii. p. 330. Post, p. 401.

Ruling and binding in Executive Departments.

\$6,000 to be advanced Clark Mills for erection of Equestrian Statue of Washington.

1853, ch. 80. Vol. x. p. 153.

Proviso.

Accounts of I. D. Andrews to be adjusted on principles of equity and justice.

Collectors of Customs to disburse all moneys for Custom Houses, Court Houses, &c. at compensation of not over 1-4 of one per cent.

If there is no collector the superintendent of the building to

disburse the same without additional pay.

Appeals, &c. from decrees of courts of a Territory to Supreme Court may be had, although such Territory may have become a State.

Proceedings on decision of the appeal.

Compilation of Congressional Documents under the name of the "American State Papers," to be continued to March 4, 1859, with indexes as heretofore.

1831, ch. 65.
Vol. iv. 471.
Vol. iv. p. 669.

Gales and Seaton to publish not over 2000 copies.

Distribution thereof.

Proviso.

Cost not to exceed \$340,000.

Diplomatic and salaried consular officers to have pay while necessarily occupied in going to and returning from their posts of duty.

1855, ch. 133.
Vol. x. p. 619.
1856, ch. 127, § 8.
Ante, p. 55.
Proviso.

bursing agent without any additional compensation therefor: and all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this section be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted*, That in all cases of judgments and decrees, in any territorial court of the United States now rendered, or hereafter to be rendered, and from which there might be a writ of error, or appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States, there may be presented such writ of error, or appeal within the time, and under the other restrictions limited by law to said Supreme Court, notwithstanding such territory may, after such judgments and decrees have been admitted into the Union as a State, and said Supreme Court shall, when the same is decided, direct the mandate to such court as the nature of the writ of error or appeal, in their judgment may require.

SEC. 19. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and they are hereby, directed to continue down to the fourth of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, the compilation of the Congressional Documents published by Congress, under the name of the "American State Papers," in the same manner as the first series thereof, under the authority of the Act of Congress of March two, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, and the Joint Resolution of Congress of March two, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, and with the same particular index to each class, and a general index to the work. And the said secretary and clerk are hereby directed to contract with Gales and Seaton, the publishers of the first series thereof, for publishing the same, not to exceed two thousand copies in number, at a price per volume not exceeding that paid for the first series, to be delivered to the Secretary of the Interior, as the same may be published; and the said Secretary of the Interior, shall place three hundred copies in the Department of State for its use, and for exchange with foreign governments, and seven hundred copies in his own department, for distribution to public libraries in the several States and Territories, and hold the residue of the copies in his custody, subject to the future direction of Congress: *Provided*, that the prices or rates to be paid for the printing of this work, shall not exceed those paid at present for the printing of the documents of Congress, including paper and binding, having regard to the quality and value of the material used and work done: *Provided*, that the cost of the publication shall not exceed three hundred and forty thousand dollars, and that not more than twenty-five thousand dollars shall be required for the purpose during the next fiscal year.

SEC. 20. *And be it further enacted*, That all diplomatic and salaried consular officers who were appointed under the act entitled "An act to remodel the diplomatic and consular systems of the United States," approved March the first eighteen hundred and fifty-five, shall have the same compensation during the time necessarily occupied in making the transit to, and returning from their respective posts, and while they were receiving their instructions, as is provided for diplomatic and salaried consular officers in the eighth section of the act entitled "An act to regulate the diplomatic and consular systems of the United States," approved August eighteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-six: *Provided*, that the foregoing shall not be construed to apply to any diplomatic or consular officer, who was in office, and at his post of duty, when said act approved March first, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, took effect, except to allow compensation to such officers during the time necessarily occupied in returning from their respective posts.

APPROVED, June 12, 1858.