

CHAP. XXXVII. — *An Act making Appropriations to supply Deficiencies in the Appropriations for Contingent Expenses of the House of Representatives of the United States for the fiscal Year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.* Feb. 12, 1867.

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, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated:

For miscellaneous items, forty thousand dollars.

For folding documents, twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For fuel and lights, including pay of engineers, firemen, and laborers, repairs and materials, seven thousand dollars.

APPROVED, February 12, 1867.

Deficiency appropriation.

Miscellaneous.

Folding documents.

Fuel and lights.

CHAP. XXXVIII. — *An Act to fix the Pay of the Quartermaster-Sergeant of the Battalion of Engineers.* Feb. 12, 1867.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, the pay and allowances of the quartermaster-sergeant of the battalion of engineers of the army of the United States shall be the same as those allowed by law to the sergeant-major of that battalion.

APPROVED, February 12, 1867.

Pay and allowances of quartermaster-sergeant of the battalion of engineers.

CHAP. XLI. — *An Act making Appropriations for the Service of the Post-Office Department during the fiscal Year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, and for other Purposes.* Feb. 18, 1867.

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 service of the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, out of any moneys in the treasury arising from the revenues of said department, in conformity to the act of the second of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six.

Appropriations for Post-Office Department, for year ending June 30, 1868. 1836, ch. 270. Vol. v. p. 80.

For transportation of the mails (inland), eight million six hundred thousand dollars.

Transportation of mails.

For transportation of the mails (foreign), six hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

For ship, steamboat, and way letters, eight thousand dollars.

Ship, steamboat, and way letters.

For compensation to postmasters, four million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Compensation to postmasters. Clerks.

For clerks for post-offices, two million dollars.

For payment to letter-carriers, six hundred and forty thousand dollars.

Letter-carriers.

For wrapping paper, eighty thousand dollars.

Wrapping paper and twine.

For twine, twenty thousand dollars.

For letter balances, four thousand dollars.

Letter balances.

For compensation to blank agents and assistants, eight thousand dollars.

Blank agents.

For office furniture, three thousand dollars.

Office furniture.

For advertising, eighty thousand dollars.

Advertising.

For postage stamps and stamped envelopes, two hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

Postage stamps and stamped envelopes.

For mail depredations and special agents, and expenses of negotiating postal conventions, one hundred and five thousand dollars.

Depredations, special agents, and postal conventions.

For mail bags and mail-bag catchers, one hundred thousand dollars.

Mail bags.

For mail locks, keys, and stamps, thirty thousand dollars.

Locks, keys, and stamps.

For payment of balances due to foreign countries, three hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

Foreign balances.

For miscellaneous payments, four hundred thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.

Further appropriation for the Post-Office Department.

Service between the United States and Brazil;
San Francisco, Japan, and China.

Steamships need not touch at Honolulu.
1865, ch. 37.
Vol. xiii. p. 430.

Branch line from Japan to Shanghai.

Service to be by what vessels.

Overland mail and marine mail transportation.

Transfer of clerks to office of auditor of treasury for the Post-Office Department.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same are hereby, appropriated for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated:

For the mail steamship service between the United States and Brazil, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For the mail steamship service between San Francisco, Japan, and China, five hundred thousand dollars: *Provided*, That so much of the act of Congress, approved February seventeenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, authorizing said service, as requires the said steamship[s] to touch at Honolulu, in the Sandwich Islands, shall be, and the same is hereby, repealed; upon the express condition, however, that the contractors for said steamship service shall enter into contract to the satisfaction of the Postmaster-General, agreeing to establish, within five months from the passage of this act, in lieu of said service released, a branch line of steamship service, carrying the United States mails, between the port in Japan used by the main line of steamships and the port of Shanghai in China, making continuous regular trips, connecting with the main line, both on the outward and homeward voyages, under the direction of the Postmaster-General; which service shall be performed by first-class American seagoing steamships, and without additional charge to the United States.

For the overland mail transportation between the Missouri River and Folsom, and for marine mail transportation between New York and California, nine hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to transfer two clerks from the third class to class four in the office of the auditor of the treasury for the Post-Office Department, and a sum sufficient to pay the increased compensation required by said transfer, for the remainder of the current year, and the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 18, 1867.

Feb. 18, 1867.
1866, ch. 201.
Ante, p. 178.

Provisions of act to prevent smuggling, not to affect any right or suit pending at the time of its passage.
Suits, &c. may be tried and disposed of.

CHAP. XLII. — *An Act supplementary to an Act to prevent Smuggling and for other Purposes, approved July eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the act of Congress approved July eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, entitled "An act to prevent smuggling and for other purposes," shall be so construed as not to affect any right of suit or prosecution which may have accrued under any prior acts of Congress repealed or supplied by said act, previous to July eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-six; and all such suits or prosecutions as have been, or shall be, commenced under such prior acts, for acts committed previous to July eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, shall be tried and disposed of, and judgment or decree executed as if said act of July eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, had not been passed, anything therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That section twenty-six of the act aforesaid be so amended that the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized in his discretion to make such regulations as shall enable vessels engaged in the coasting trade between ports and places upon Lake Michigan exclusively and laden with American productions and free merchandise only, to unlade their cargoes without previously obtaining a permit to unlade.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That section twenty-five of said act be hereby amended by inserting the word "March" in the place of "July," in said section.

APPROVED, February 18, 1867.

Coasting vessels between ports on Lake Michigan laden, &c. may unlade without previous permit.
1866, ch. 201,
§ 26.
Ante, p. 184.
March substituted for July.