library, one thousand five hundred dollars; pay of assistant of same, seven hundred and twenty dollars; pay of five firemen, two thousand two hundred dollars; increase and expense of the library, books, magazines, periodicals, and completing printing and binding of catalogues one thousand dollars.

For pay of librarian's assistant, one thousand dollars. For furniture for cadet-hospital, one hundred dollars.

For repairing and improving sea-coast battery, taking up, repairing foundation, and relaying platform for fifteen-inch gun, four hundred and tery. eighty dollars.

For new stone front-pintle platform for fifteen inch gun, one thousand dollars.

Buildings and grounds: For repairing roads and paths, five hundred dollars.

For resetting steam-boilers used for heating cadet-barracks, academy,

chapel, and library, one thousand two hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. That the Military Academy band shall consist of one teacher of music, who shall be leader of the band, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, and may be a civilian, and of twenty-four enlisted musicians of the band.

SEC. 3. That the teacher of music shall receive ninety dollars per month, one ration, and the allowance of fuel of a second lieutenant of the Army; and that of the enlisted musicians of the band six shall each be paid thirty four dollars per month; six shall each be paid twenty dollars per month; and the remaining twelve shall each be paid seventeen dollars per month; and that the enlisted musicians of the band shall have the benefits as to pay arising from re-enlistments and length of service applicable to other enlisted men of the Army.

Approved, March 3, 1877.

CHAP. 110.—An act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, and for other purposes.

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 seventy eight, out of any money in the Treasury arising from the revenues of said Department, in conformity to the act of July second, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, as follows:

OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

For mail-depredations and special agents, one hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars; and not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dol. tions. lars of this amount may be expended for fees to United States attorneys, marshals, clerks of courts, and counsel necessarily employed by special agents of the Post-Office Department, subject to approval by the Attornev-General.

For preparation and publication of post-route maps, twenty-five thousand dollars; and the Postmaster-General may authorize the publication and sale of said maps to individuals at the cost thereof, the proceeds of said sales to be applied as a further appropriation for said purpose.

For advertising, sixty thousand dollars: Provided, That the Postmaster General shall cause advertisements of all general mail lettings of each State and Territory to be conspicuously posted up in each postoffice in the State and Territory embraced in said advertisements for at to be posted up. least sixty days before the time of such general letting; and no other advertisement of such lettings shall be required; but this provision shall not apply to any other than general mail lettings.

Librarian's sistant.

Cadet-hospital. Sea-coast bat-

Buildings and grounds.

Heating apparatus.

Band.

Pay of band.

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Mail depreda-

Post-route maps. Sale of maps.

Advertising.

Advertisements

Miscellaneous items.

For miscellaneous items in the office of the Postmaster-General one thousand five hundred dollars.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Postmasters.

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

Clerks.

Proviso.

service.

sation.

For compensation to clerks in post-offices, three million three hundred Rates of compen- and forty thousand dollars; and the Postmaster General is hereby directed to cause a careful inquiry to be made into the rates of compensation now made to clerks in post-offices, with a view to a more equitable adjustment and reduction thereof: Provided, That such adjustment shall in no case involve an increase over and above the present aggregate compensation as provided in this act.

Letter-carriers.

For payment to letter-carriers, one million, eight hundred and twenty-Reduction of five thousand dollars. It shall be the duty of the Postmaster General to carefully inquire into the number of carriers employed in the several cities where the free delivery of mail-matter is established, and to reduce the number of carriers and the number of deliveries of the mails by such carriers for each day to the reasonable requirements of the pub-

lic service.

Wrapping-paper.

For wrapping-paper, twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars.

Twine.

For wrapping twine, fifty thousand dollars.

Marking-stamps. Letter-balances.

For marking and rating stamps, nine thousand dollars. For letter-balances and scales, five thousand dollars. For rent, light, and fuel, four hundred thousand dollars.

Rent, etc. Furniture. Stationery.

For office-furniture, twenty thousand dollars. For stationery, fifty-five thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.

For miscellaneous and incidental items, eighty thousand dollars.

OFFICE OF THE SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Inland mailtransportation.

For inland mail transportation, namely: For transportation on starroutes and by steamboats, and all other than railroad-routes, six million two hundred and thirty-seven thousand nine hundred and ninety-three dollars; for transportation by railroad, nine million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of the same may be used by the Postmaster General to obtain proper facilities from the great trunk lines lines of railroads for the railway post-office service during the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight

Railway postoffice clerks.

For compensation to railway-post-office clerks, one million, two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

Route-agents. Mail-route messengers.

For route-agents, one million dollars.

Local agents. Mail-messengers.

For mail-route messengers, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. For local agents, one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

Locks and keys. Mail-bags, &c.

For mail messengers six hundred and seventy thousand dollars.

For mail locks and keys, sixteen thousand dollars.

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

OFFICE OF THE THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Postage-stamps.

For manufacture of adhesive postage-stamps, of official stamps, and of newspaper and periodical stamps, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For pay of agent and assistants to distribute stamps, and expenses of the agency, six thousand and nine hundred dollars.

Stamped envelopes.

For manufacture of stamped envelopes and newspaper-wrappers, six hundred thousand dollars.

For pay of agent and assistants to distribute stamped envelopes and newspaper-wrappers, and expenses of agency, fourteen thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For manufacture of postal cards, three hundred thousand dollars.

For pay of agent and assistants to distribute postal cards, and expenses of agency, six thousand one hundred dollars.

For registered-package envelopes, locks, and seals, forty thousand dollars.

For office-envelopes and for dead-letter envelopes, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For ship, steamboat, and way letters, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For engraving, printing, and binding drafts and warrants, one thousand five hundred dollars.

Postal cards.

Registered-package envelopes.

Office-envelopes

Ship, steamboat, and way letters.

Engraving, etc.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF FOREIGN MAILS.

For transportation of foreign mails, two hundred and forty thousand dollars.

For balance due foreign countries, fifty thousand dollars, including the United States' portion of the expense of the international office eign countries. organized under the provisions of article fifteen of the general postal union treaty concluded at Berne, October ninth, eighteen hundred and seventy four.

For the commission appointed under the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the service of the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, and for other purposes" approved July twelfth eighteen hundred and seventy-six, to continue and complete the service required of them by said act and to include an examination of mail service other than by railroads, six thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. That if the revenue of the Post-Office Department shall be insufficient to meet the appropriations made by this act, then the sum addition to reveof two million, nine hundred and thirty-nine thousand, seven hundred nue. and twenty-five dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in revenue of the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

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Foreign mailtransportation.

Balances due for-

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Commission to examine railway mail-service. 1876, ch. 179, Ante, 79.

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CHAP. 111.-An act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, and for other purposes.

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 they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the naval service of the Government for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy eight, and for other purposes:

For pay of commissioned and warrant officers at sea, on shore, on special service, and of those on the retired list and unemployed, and for the actual expenses of officers traveling under orders, and for pay of the petty-officers, seamen, ordinary seamen, landsmen, and boys, including men of the engineers' force, and for the Coast Survey service, seven thousand five hundred men, six million, six hundred thousand dollars

For contingent expenses of the Navy Department, namely: For rent and furniture of buildings and offices not in navy yards; expenses of penses. courts-martial and courts of inquiry, boards of investigation, examiningboards, with clerks' and witnesses' fees, and traveling-expenses and costs; stationery and recording; expenses of purchasing-paymasters' offices at the various cities, including clerks, furniture, fuel, stationery. and incidental expenses; newspapers and advertising; foreign postage;

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Pay, mileage, etc.

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