

STATUTE II.

Aug. 26, 1842.

CHAP. CCII. — *An Act legalizing and making appropriations for such necessary objects as have been usually included in the general appropriation bills without authority of law, and to fix and provide for certain incidental expenses of the Departments and offices of the Government, and for other purposes.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the respective heads of the Departments of the General Government to employ or appoint the officers and persons hereinafter mentioned, in addition to those already provided by law, in the offices, bureaus, and places connected with their several Departments, and at the following annual salaries, that is to say;

1. *In the Department of State.*—One superintendent of the northeast Executive building, at two hundred and fifty dollars, and three watchmen, at three hundred and sixty-five dollars each.

2. *In the Treasury Department.*—In the First Comptroller's office, one assistant messenger, at three hundred and fifty dollars.

In the First Auditor's office, one additional clerk, at one thousand dollars.

In the Second Auditor's office, one additional clerk, at one thousand dollars, until the second of April, eighteen hundred and forty-three.

In the Third Auditor's office, three additional clerks, two at one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars each, and one at one thousand dollars.

In the Fourth Auditor's office, one clerk at twelve hundred dollars.

In the Fifth Auditor's office, two clerks, under the act of seventh July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, at one thousand dollars each.

The compensation of the clerk authorized by the act of May twenty-six, eighteen hundred and twenty-four, in the Treasurer's office, is hereby increased to one thousand dollars; and the compensation of the clerk in the same office authorized by the act of July two, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, is hereby increased to one thousand two hundred dollars.

In the office of the Register of the Treasury, one loan clerk, (to take effect from fifteenth April, eighteen hundred and forty-two,) at one thousand four hundred dollars.

In the office of the Solicitor of the Treasury, three additional clerks, at one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars each, and one law clerk, at fifteen hundred dollars.

One superintendent of the southeast Executive building, at five hundred dollars, and eight watchmen, at three hundred and sixty-five dollars each.

3. *In the War Department.*—In the office of the Commanding General, one messenger, at five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Adjutant General, one messenger, at five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence, one additional clerk, at one thousand dollars, one messenger, five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Commissioner of Pensions, one messenger, at seven hundred dollars, until the first day of January next, after which time there shall be two messengers only in said office, at a compensation of five hundred dollars each.

In the office of the Chief Engineer, one messenger at five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Surgeon General, one clerk, at one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars, and one messenger at five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Colonel of Ordnance, one messenger at five hundred dollars.

Employment or appointment of officers and persons hereinafter mentioned, authorized.

State Department.

Superintendent and watchmen.

Treasury Department.

Offices of the First Comptroller.

1st Auditor.

2d Auditor.  
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3d Auditor.

4th Auditor.

5th Auditor.

July 7, 1838,  
ch. 169.

Treasurer.  
May 26, 1824,  
ch. 157.

July 2, 1836,  
ch. 270.

Register.

Solicitor.

Superintendent and watchmen.

War Department.

Office of the Commanding General.

Adj. General.

Comm'y Gen. of Subsistence.

Commissioner of Pensions.

Chief Engineer.

Surgeon General.

Colonel of Ordnance.

Topographical Engineers.

In the bureau of Topographical Engineers, two clerks, each one thousand, one at one thousand four hundred, and one messenger at five hundred dollars.

Superintendent and watchmen.

One superintendent of the northwest Executive building, at two hundred and fifty dollars, and four watchmen, at three hundred and sixty-five dollars each.

Navy Department.  
Navy Commissioners.

4. *In the Navy Department.*—In the Navy Commissioners' office, two additional clerks, at one thousand four hundred dollars each.

Superintendent and watchmen.

Two additional clerks, at one thousand two hundred dollars each.

One superintendent of the southwest Executive building, at two hundred and fifty dollars, and three watchmen, at three hundred and sixty-five dollars each.

Office of Sergeant-at-Arms, House of Representatives.

5. *In the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives.*—One messenger, at the daily compensation received by the other messengers of the House of Representatives, and in lieu of one of them.

Attorney General's office.

6. *In the office of the Attorney General.*—One messenger, five hundred dollars.

Reporter to Supreme Court to be appointed, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That in the Supreme Court of the United States one reporter shall be appointed by the court, with a salary of twelve hundred and fifty dollars: *Provided,* That he deliver to the Secretary of State, for distribution, one hundred and fifty copies of each volume of reports that he shall hereafter prepare and publish, immediately after the publication thereof, which publication shall be made annually, within four months after the adjournment of the court at which the decisions are made.

Proviso.  
1842, ch. 264.

Salaries of assistant librarian of Congress, and messenger.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the assistant librarian of the library of Congress shall receive eleven hundred and fifty dollars, and the messenger seven hundred dollars, per annum, to take effect from the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-two, in lieu of their present compensation.

A clerk's salary in office of Sec. Navy increased.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Navy, whose salary was fixed at eight hundred dollars by the act of the twentieth of April, eighteen hundred and eighteen, shall receive, in addition thereto, two hundred dollars.

Act of April 20, 1818, ch. 87.

Additional clerk in office of Sec. of Treas.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ an additional clerk, as assistant in his office, at a salary of eighteen hundred dollars per annum; and the superintendent of Indian Affairs at St. Louis be, and he hereby is, authorized to employ one clerk, at a compensation of twelve hundred dollars, in lieu of the two clerks authorized by the act of May ninth, eighteen hundred and thirty-six; and so much of said last mentioned act as authorizes the employment of two clerks is hereby repealed.

Clerks to superintendent Indian affairs, St. Louis.

Act of May 9, 1836, ch. 60.

Foregoing offices, &c. authorized until 1st July 1844, except those otherwise limited by this act.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That the several offices, and employments hereinbefore mentioned are hereby made and declared to be lawful, to all intents and purposes whatever; and the respective heads of Departments, under whom the same are held and exercised, are hereby authorized and empowered to fill the same, and to continue the exercise and discharge thereof, at the salaries aforesaid, until the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-four, except such as are otherwise limited in this act: *Provided,* That in all cases where any of the aforementioned officers, or other persons herein authorized to be employed, have already been employed, and are now in the discharge of their respective duties, or have been so since the first day of January last, under the authority of former appropriation bills, at a different rate of compensation than is hereby authorized and affixed to their respective places, they shall be entitled to receive the same rate of compensation heretofore allowed, and at which they have been retained in employment, from the first day of January last to the time of the passage of this act.

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Proviso.

Appropriation.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That the sum of fifty thousand

dollars, or so much thereof as may be found necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, out of any unappropriated moneys in the Treasury, to the objects hereinbefore specified.

Appropriation for the objects hereinbefore specified.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for the President of the United States to allow a dragoman at Constantinople, a salary of more than two thousand five hundred dollars; or a consul at London, a salary of more than two thousand dollars.

Salaries of dragoman at Constantinople, and consul at London, limited.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States shall not allow to any minister resident a greater sum than at the rate of six thousand dollars per annum, as a compensation for all his personal services and expenses: *Provided*, That it shall be lawful for the President to allow to such minister resident, on going from the United States to any foreign country, an outfit, which shall in no case exceed one year's full salary of such minister resident.

Salaries of ministers resident limited.

Proviso.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the office of Architect of the Public Buildings be, and the same is hereby, discontinued and abolished.

Office of architect abolished.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duties of the Secretaries of State, of the Treasury, War, and Navy, of the Commissioners of the Navy, of the Postmaster General, of the Secretary of the Senate, and of the Clerk of the House of Representatives, to report to Congress, at the beginning of each year, the names of the clerks and other persons that have been employed, respectively, during the preceding year, or any part thereof, in their respective departments and offices, together with the time that each clerk or other person was actually employed, and the sums paid to each; and, also, whether they have been usefully employed; whether the services of any of them can be dispensed with without detriment to the public service, and whether the removal of any individuals, and the appointment of others in their stead, is required for the better despatch of business; and no greater allowance shall be made to any such clerk, or other person, than is, or may be authorized by law, except to watchmen and messengers, for any labor or services required of them beyond the particular duties of their respective stations, rendered at such times as does not interfere with the performance of their regular duties.

Report of clerks, &c. to be made annually to Congress.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That no allowance or compensation shall be made to any clerk or other officer, by reason of the discharge of duties which belong to any other clerk or officer in the same or any other department; and no allowance or compensation shall be made for any extra services whatever, which any clerk or other officer may be required to perform.

No allowance to be made for extra services.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of each chief or principal clerk in the respective departments, bureaus, and other offices, to supervise, under the direction of his immediately superior officer, the duties of the other clerks therein, and to see that their duties are faithfully executed, and that such duties are distributed with equality and uniformity, according to the nature of the case. And such distribution shall be revised, from time to time, by the said chief or principal clerk, for the purpose of correcting any tendency to undue accumulation or reduction of duties, whether arising from individual negligence or incapacity, or from increase or diminution of particular kinds of business; and such chief or principal clerk shall report monthly to his superior officer any existing defect that he may be aware of in the arrangement or despatch of business; and such defect shall be amended by new arrangements of duties, dismissal of negligent or incompetent officers, or otherwise.

Duty of chief clerks to supervise the duties of other clerks.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the several heads of Departments, in communicating estimates of expendi-

Manner in which estimates are to be communicated to Congress.

tures and appropriations to Congress, and to any of the committees thereof, to specify, as nearly as may be convenient, the sources from which such estimates are derived, and the calculations upon which they are founded; and, in so doing, to discriminate between such estimates as are conjectural in their character, and such as are framed upon actual information and application from disbursing officers; and, in communicating the several estimates, reference shall be given to the laws and treaties by which they are authorized, the dates thereof, and the volume, page, and section, in which the necessary provisions are contained.

Employment of extra clerks.

SEC. 15. *And be it further enacted*, That no extra clerk shall be employed, in any department, bureau, or office, at the seat of Government, except during the session of Congress, or when indispensably necessary to enable such department, bureau, or office, to answer some call made by either House of Congress at one session, to be answered at another; and not then, except by order of the head of the department in which, or in some bureau or office of which, such extra clerk shall be employed; and no such extra clerk, for copying, shall receive more than three dollars per day, or for any other service more than four dollars per day, for the time actually and necessarily employed.

Employment of messengers, laborers, &c.

SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That no messenger, assistant messenger, laborer, or other person, shall be employed in any department, bureau, or office at the seat of Government, or paid out of the contingent fund appropriated to such department, bureau, or office, unless such employment shall be authorized by law, or shall become necessary to carry into effect some object for which appropriations may be specifically made; and not exceeding one hundred dollars per annum shall be applied by each department (except the Department of State,) for the purchase of newspapers for such department, and all the bureaus and offices connected therewith; and such papers shall be preserved as files for said department.

Purchase of newspapers.

Stationery and job printing to be furnished and performed by contract.

SEC. 17. *And be it further enacted*, That all stationery, of every name and nature, for the use of the two Houses of Congress, and all stationery and job printing, of every name and nature, for the use of the several departments of Government, and for the bureaus and offices in those departments at Washington, including all stationery, blanks, wrapping paper, and twine, and mail bags, furnished the post offices and collectors' offices throughout the United States, shall hereafter be furnished and performed by contract, by the lowest bidder, as follows: the Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk of the House of Representatives, the head of each department, and such deputy postmasters in the Post Office establishment, and such collectors in the custom-house establishment, as the Postmaster General and the Secretary of the Treasury shall respectively designate for that purpose, shall respectively advertise, once a week, for at least four weeks, in one or more of the principal papers published in the places where such articles are to be furnished, or such printing done, for sealed proposals for furnishing such articles, or the whole of any particular class of articles, or for doing such printing, or the whole of any specified job thereof, to be done at such place, specifying in such advertisement the amount, quantity, and description of each kind of articles to be furnished, and, as near as may be, the nature, amount, and kind of printing to be done; and all such proposals shall be kept sealed until the day specified in such advertisement for opening the same, when they shall be opened, by or under the direction of the officer making such advertisement, in the presence of at least two persons; and the person offering to furnish any class of such articles, or to perform any specified portion or job of said work, and giving satisfactory security for the performance thereof, under a forfeiture not exceeding twice the contract price in case of failure, shall receive a contract for doing the same; and in case the lowest bidder shall fail to enter into such con-

tract and give such security within a reasonable time, to be fixed in such advertisement, then the contract shall be given to the next lowest bidder who shall enter into such contract and give such security. And in case of a failure to supply the articles or to perform the work, by the person entering into such contract, he and his sureties shall be liable for the forfeiture specified in such contract, as liquidated damages, to be sued for in the name of the United States, in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted,* That all such bids or proposals shall be returned by the person authorized, as aforesaid, to receive the same, to the Executive Department from which such authority is derived, and shall be preserved in said Department, subject to such examination as Congress may at any time order and direct.

Bids and proposals to be preserved, &c.

SEC. 19. *And be it further enacted,* That no part of the contingent fund appropriated to any department, bureau, or office, shall be applied to the purchase of books, periodicals, pictures, or engravings, or other thing, except such books, periodicals, and maps, or other thing, as the head of such department shall deem necessary and proper to carry on the business of such department, and shall, by written order, direct to be procured for that purpose.

Relative to the purchase of books, &c.

SEC. 20. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Senate, at the commencement of every regular session of Congress, to report to the Senate, and of the Clerk of the House of Representatives to report to the House, and of the head of each Department to report to Congress, a detailed statement of the manner in which the contingent fund for each House, and of their respective Departments, and for the bureaus and offices therein, has been expended, giving the names of every person to whom any portion thereof has been paid; and if for any thing furnished, the quantity and price; and if for any services rendered, the nature of such service, and the time employed, and the particular occasion or cause, in brief, that rendered such service necessary; and the amount of all former appropriations in each case on hand, either in the Treasury or in the hands of any disbursing officer or agent. And they shall require of the disbursing officers, acting under their direction or authority, the return of precise and analytical statements and receipts for all the moneys which may have been, from time to time during the next preceding year, expended by them; and the results of such returns and the sums total shall be communicated annually to Congress, by the said officers, respectively.

Detailed statement of the manner in which the contingent funds have been expended, to be reported to Congress.

SEC. 21. *And be it further enacted,* That the act entitled "An act to provide for the publication of the laws of the United States, and for other purposes," approved April twentieth, eighteen hundred and eighteen, so far as the same authorizes or requires the laws, resolutions, treaties, and amendments of the Constitution of the United States, to be published in any paper or papers printed in the different States or Territories of the United States, is hereby repealed; and in lieu thereof, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to publish such laws, resolutions, treaties, and amendments, in not less than two nor more than four of the principal newspapers published in the city of Washington for country subscribers, giving the preference to such papers as have the greatest number of permanent subscribers and the most extensive circulation; for which the proprietor of each paper shall receive, as full compensation, at the rate of one dollar for each page of the laws, resolutions, treaties, and amendments, as published in pamphlet form. And if it shall appear, on the examination of any account, that there has been any unreasonable delay or intentional omission in the publication of the laws aforesaid, the proper accounting officer of the Treasury is hereby authorized and required to deduct from such account such sum as shall be charged therein for the publication of any laws which shall have been

Act 20th Sept. 1818, ch. 80, requiring the laws to be published in the states and territories, repealed; and in lieu thereof, they shall be published in not less than two or more newspapers in Washington. 1846, ch. 101.

Compensation for publishing.

In case of delay, &c. in the publication, a deduction to be made, &c.

so unreasonably delayed or intentionally omitted; and, in any such case, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to discontinue the publication of the laws in the newspaper belonging to such proprietors, and such newspaper shall in no event be again authorized, nor shall the proprietor thereof be again employed, to publish the laws of the United States.

SEC. 22. *And be it further enacted*, That, for the purpose of limiting the incidental and contingent appropriations for the necessary expenses of the Government to specific objects, as far as practicable, the following sums are hereby appropriated for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, to the objects hereinafter specified, namely:

*Department of State.*—For distributing the aggregate returns of the sixth census, eight thousand dollars.

For purchasing and preparing indices to the manuscript papers of the Congress of the Confederation, and to the Washington Papers, deposited in the department of State, one thousand dollars.

*Navy Department.*—No. 1. In the Secretary's Office:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.

For extra clerk hire, four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For printing, three hundred dollars.

For labor, three hundred and fifty dollars.

For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.

For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars.

No. 2. In the Navy Commissioners' Office:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.

For extra clerk hire, two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For labor, three hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous items, six hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 3. For the southwest Executive building:

For labor, three hundred and twenty-five dollars.

For fuel and light, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For miscellaneous items, one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars

No. 4. For the northeast Executive building:

For labor, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For fuel and light, one thousand four hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous items, seven hundred dollars.

*War Department.*—No. 5. In the office of the Secretary of War.

For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.

For newspapers and periodicals, two hundred and fifty dollars.

For labor, three hundred dollars:

For printing, three hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous items, five hundred and fifty dollars.

For books, maps, and plans, one thousand dollars.

For extra clerk hire, three thousand dollars.

No. 6. In the office of the Commissioner of Indian affairs:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.

For labor, fifty dollars.

For miscellaneous items, eight hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 7. In the office of the Commissioner of Pensions:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.

For printing, four hundred dollars.

For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars.

For miscellaneous items, four hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 8. In the office of the Commanding General:

For miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars.

No. 9. In the office of the Adjutant General:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars

For miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars.

Incidental and  
contingent ap-  
propriations.

State Depart-  
ment.

Distributing  
census.

Purchasing  
and preparing  
indices.

Navy Depart-  
ment.

Secretary's  
office.

Navy Com-  
missioners' office.

S.W. execu-  
tive building.

N. E. execu-  
tive building.

War Depart-  
ment.

Office of  
Sec. of War.

Commissioner  
of Ind. affairs.

Commissioner  
of Pensions.

Commanding  
General.

Adjutant Gen-  
eral.

No. 10. In the office of the Quartermaster General :	Quartermas- ter General.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars.	
For labor, one hundred dollars.	
For printing, one hundred dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.	
No. 11. In the office of the Commissary General of Purchases :	Comm'y Gen. of Purchases.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.	
No. 12. In the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence :	Comm'y Gen. of Subsistence.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars.	
For extra clerk hire, six hundred dollars.	
For printing and advertising, twelve hundred dollars.	
For labor, one hundred dollars.	
For fuel, one hundred dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.	
No. 13. In the office of the Paymaster General :	Paymaster General.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars.	
For fuel, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.	
No. 14. In the office of the Surgeon General :	Surgeon Gen eral.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars.	
For printing, fifty dollars.	
For fuel, seventy-five dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.	
No. 15. In the office of the Chief Engineer :	Chief Engi- neer.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.	
For printing, one hundred and five dollars.	
For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars.	
No. 16. In the office of the Colonel of Ordnance :	Colonel of Ordnance.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars.	
For printing, seventy-five dollars.	
For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars.	
No. 17. In the Bureau of Topographical Engineers :	Topographical Engineers.
For the support of the light-house on the Delaware breakwater, one thousand five hundred dollars.	Light-house on Delaware breakwater.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars.	
For labor, one hundred dollars.	
For fuel, two hundred and fifty dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.	
No. 18. For the northwest Executive building :	N.W. execu- tive building.
For labor, four hundred dollars.	
For fuel and light, two thousand dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, one thousand six hundred and seventy dollars.	
<i>Treasury Department.</i> —No. 19. In the office of the Secretary of the Treasury :	Treasury De- partment. Office of the Secretary of the Treasury.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three thousand five hundred dollars.	
For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars.	
For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars.	
For extra clerk hire, one thousand five hundred dollars.	
For printing, (including the printing of the public accounts,) two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.	
For sealing ships' registers, one hundred dollars.	
For miscellaneous items, seven hundred dollars.	
For translating foreign languages, one hundred and fifty dollars :	
<i>Provided</i> , That no part of said sum or sums be paid to any clerk, or other officer of the Government, beyond his salary, for taking charge of or transmitting passports or sea letters.	

- First Comptroller. No. 20. In the office of the First Comptroller :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars.  
 For labor, four hundred and fifty dollars.  
 For extra clerk hire, two hundred and fifty dollars.  
 For completing indices to public documents in the First Comptroller's office, three hundred dollars.
- 1st Auditor. No. 21. In the office of the First Auditor :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.  
 For labor, two hundred dollars.  
 For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars.  
 For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars.
- 2d Auditor. No. 22. In the office of the Second Auditor :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars.  
 For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars.  
 For extra clerk hire, three hundred dollars.  
 For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars.
- 4th Auditor. No. 23. In the office of the Fourth Auditor :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.  
 For labor, fifty dollars.  
 For extra clerk hire, one hundred dollars.  
 For printing, forty dollars.  
 For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.
- 5th Auditor. No. 24. In the office of the Fifth Auditor :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dollars.  
 For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.  
 For extra clerk hire, fifty dollars.  
 For miscellaneous items, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.
- Treasurer. No. 25. In the Treasurer's office :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.  
 For labor, three hundred and seventy-five dollars.  
 For printing, seven hundred dollars.  
 For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars.
- Solicitor. No. 26. In the Solicitor's office :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.  
 For labor, one hundred dollars.  
 For extra clerk hire, four hundred dollars.
- Register. No. 27. In the Register's office :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars.  
 For labor, three hundred and fifty dollars.  
 For printing, five hundred dollars.  
 For miscellaneous items, (including one thousand dollars for cases for the preservation of the records,) two thousand dollars.
- General Land Office. No. 28. For the General Land Office :  
 For blank books, binding, and stationery, and parchments, twelve thousand dollars.  
 For labor, five hundred dollars.  
 For printing, four thousand dollars.  
 For miscellaneous items, one thousand dollars.
- Arrearages. For office of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, for arrearages, since eighteen hundred and thirty-four, of cost of printing patents, publishing proclamations, printing circulars and blank forms for the land offices, twenty-two thousand six hundred and twenty-eight dollars and seventeen cents, or so much thereof as may be found necessary, on auditing the accounts by the appropriate officer.
- Extra clerks and draughtsmen in offices of surveyors general. For compensation of extra clerks and draughtsmen in the offices of the surveyors general, to transcribe field notes of survey, for the purpose of preserving them at the seat of Government, in addition to the



unexpended balances of former appropriations, fourteen thousand dollars, namely :

For office of surveyor general northwest of the Ohio, four thousand five hundred dollars.

For office of surveyor general of Wisconsin and Iowa, one thousand dollars.

For office of surveyor general of Illinois and Missouri, four thousand five hundred dollars.

For office of surveyor general of Arkansas, one thousand dollars.

For office of surveyor general of Louisiana, three thousand dollars.

For surveying in the State of Louisiana, to be expended at a rate not exceeding eight dollars a mile, required in part to pay deficiencies in existing appropriations, thirteen thousand dollars.

Surveying in Louisiana.

No. 29. Southeast Executive building :

S. E. executive building.

For labor, two thousand two hundred dollars.

For fuel and light, three thousand seven hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous items, one thousand nine hundred dollars.

No. 30. In the Auditor's office of the Post Office Department :

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two thousand and seventy-six dollars and sixty-eight cents.

Office of Auditor of the P. O. Department.

For printing blanks, eight hundred and eleven dollars and fifty cents.

For labor, one thousand one hundred and twenty dollars.

For continuing fourteen temporary clerks to January first, eighteen hundred and forty-three, employed under the act of September ninth, eighteen hundred and forty-one, four thousand one hundred and eighty-two dollars and nineteen cents.

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For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.

For blank books and printing, prior to May, eighteen hundred and forty-one, three thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven dollars and seventeen cents.

*Post Office Department.*—No. 31. For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand one hundred and ninety dollars.

Post Office Department.

For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars.

For fuel and oil, including arrearages, three thousand six hundred dollars.

For miscellaneous items, one thousand two hundred and thirty-seven dollars.

For printing, four hundred and fifty-three dollars.

For labor, nine hundred and thirty-eight dollars.

For one day watchman, three hundred and sixty dollars.

For compensation of temporary clerks, thirty-five hundred dollars.

*United States Mint and Branches.*—No. 32. For coinage expenses, including materials and implements, fuel, new machinery and repairs of old, die making, and wastage of gold and silver, at the Philadelphia mint, fifteen thousand two hundred dollars.

Mint and branches.  
Mint at Philadelphia.

For house expenses, including water-rent and taxes, repairs, lighting, cleaning, and watching at the same, four thousand dollars.

For office expenses, including stationery and postage, six hundred dollars.

No. 33. For coinage expenses, including materials and implements, fuel, repairs, and wastage of gold, at the Charlotte branch mint, one thousand two hundred dollars.

Branch mint at Charlotte.

For house expenses, including repairs, lighting, and cleaning at the same, two hundred dollars.

For office expenses, including stationery and postage at the same, one hundred dollars.

No. 34. For coinage expenses, including materials and implements, fuel, repairs, and wastage of gold, at the Dahlonega branch mint, six hundred dollars.

Branch mint at Dahlonega.

For house expenses, including repairs, lighting, and cleaning at the same, two hundred dollars.

For office expenses, including stationery and postage at the same, one hundred dollars.

Branch mint  
at N. Orleans.

No. 35. For coinage expenses, including materials and implements, fuel, repairs, and wastage of gold and silver, at the New Orleans branch mint, eleven thousand and fifty-two dollars.

For house expenses, including water-rent and taxes, repairs, lighting, cleaning, and watching, three thousand five hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

For office expenses, including stationery and postage, three hundred and fifty dollars.

Repairs of the  
capitol, &c.

No. 36. For annual repairs of the Capitol, attending furnaces and water-closets, lamp-lighting, oil, laborers on Capitol grounds, tools, keeping iron pipes and wooden fences in order, attending at the western gates, gardener's salary, and top-dressing for plants, seven thousand four hundred and fifty-eight dollars and fifty cents: *Provided*, That the salary of the public gardener shall not exceed the sum of one thousand two hundred dollars.

Proviso, gar-  
dener's salary  
limited.

Repairs of the  
President's  
house, &c.

For annual repairs of the President's house, gardener's salary, horse and cart, laborers, tools, and top-dressing for plants, two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

Repairing  
fences.

For repairs of fence on Pennsylvania avenue, fronting the War and State Departments, and fence of President's garden, two hundred dollars.

Furnaces be-  
neath House of  
Reps., &c.

For taking down and removing the two furnaces beneath the Hall of the House of Representatives, and building three new ones on the floor below the crypt, excavating a coal vault, constructing additional flues for hot and cold air for the better ventilation of the Hall and passages, nine thousand six hundred and thirty-four dollars.

Ground north  
of the General  
Post Office.

For purchase of ground north of the General Post Office, between seventh and eighth streets, or so much thereof as the Postmaster General may deem expedient, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Bridge across  
Pennsylvania  
avenue.

For rebuilding the bridge across Pennsylvania avenue, at Second street, and extending the same over the present stone abutments on said Second street, and reimbursing the corporation of Washington the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, expended in erecting the present wooden structure, twelve thousand dollars.

Alterations,  
&c. over House  
of Reps.

For altering the two passages and doorways of the roof, new steps, new doors, covering the wood with copper, removing the circular horizontal sash, over the Hall of the House of Representatives, and substituting a permanent roof covered with copper, and repairing the copper work of the roof, six hundred dollars.

Alterations,  
&c. north wing  
of capitol.

For alterations and repairs, and fixtures of the north wing of the Capitol, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three dollars and forty-five cents.

Repairs, &c.  
of President's  
house.

For new floor in the basement story of the President's house, for wooden partition and glass door, and for new caps to the chimneys, five hundred and fifty dollars.

Completing P.  
O. building.

For completing the Post Office building, and fixtures and furniture for the same, twenty-seven thousand and ninety-one dollars and seventy-one cents.

Repairing foot-  
ways and lamp-  
posts.

For repairing the stone work which secures the iron pipes where they cross the Tiber, one hundred and fifty dollars.

For repairing the flag footways at the Capitol and President's house, and for repairing lamp posts and lamps at the Capitol, two hundred dollars.

Negotiation of  
treaty with Wy-  
andots.

For expenses attending the negotiation of a treaty with the Wyandot Indians of Ohio, in addition to former appropriations, one thousand dollars.

For compensation to a clerk in the office of Superintendent of Indian Affairs at St. Louis, authorized by a previous section of this act, twelve hundred dollars: *Provided*, That any sum heretofore appropriated for two clerks, now dispensed with, be not used or applied.

Clerks in office Superintendent Indian Affairs at St. Louis.

For compensation to two commissioners to examine claims under the treaty with the Cherokees of eighteen hundred and thirty-five, and pay of a secretary, and provisions for Indians during the session of the board, and for contingent expenses, thirteen thousand five hundred dollars; and for arrearages of the late board of commissioners under same treaty, one thousand five hundred and fifty-eight dollars.

Commission to examine claims under Cherokee treaty.

For compensation to two clerks, authorized to be continued by the Secretary of War in the office of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, by joint resolution, approved May twenty, eighteen hundred and forty-two, in addition to former appropriations, fifteen hundred dollars.

Clerks in office Commissioner Indian Affairs.

*Judiciary.*—No. 37. For the contingent expenses of the Attorney General's office, five hundred dollars.

Judiciary. Attorney General's office.

SEC. 23. *And be it further enacted*, That in case the sum appropriated for any object shall be found more than sufficient to meet the expense thereby contemplated, the surplus may be applied, under the direction of the head of the proper department, to supply the deficiency of any other item in the same department or office: *Provided*, That the expenditure for newspapers and periodicals shall not exceed the amount specifically appropriated to that object by this act.

Surplus for one object may be appropriated to supply a deficiency for another, except newspapers and periodicals.

SEC. 24. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be, and hereby are, appropriated for the objects hereinafter mentioned, viz.

Appropriations for Congress.

For pay and mileage of the members of Congress and delegates from the Territories, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, one hundred and twenty-two thousand six hundred and thirty dollars.

Pay and mileage.

For stationery, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the Senate, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, seven thousand and fifty-eight dollars.

Expenses of Senate.

For stationery, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Expenses of H. of Reps.

SEC. 25. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall not, at any time hereafter, be lawful for any accounting or disbursing officer of the Government to allow or pay any account or charge whatever, growing out of, or in any way connected with, any commission or inquiry, except courts martial or courts of inquiry in the military or naval service of the United States, until special appropriations shall have been made by law to pay such accounts and charges: *Provided*, That this shall not extend to the contingent fund connected with the foreign intercourse of the Government placed at the disposal of the President of the United States.

Accounts of no commission or inquiry, except courts martial, &c. to be paid without a special appropriation.

Proviso.

SEC. 26. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be appropriated from the patent fund, viz:

Appropriations from the patent fund.

A sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, for printing a digest of patents from January first, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

Digest of Patents.

For the purchase of such scientific books as are necessary for the use of the Patent Office, one thousand dollars.

Scientific books.

For the collection of agricultural statistics and for other agricultural purposes, one thousand dollars.

Agricultural statistics.

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