

plates, and execute any coinage, engraving, or printing of notes and certificates authorized by this Act, and to make a proper charge for the same, covering as nearly as may be the actual cost, which shall be defrayed from the revenues of said islands.

SEC. 13. That section seventy-eight of the Act of July first, nineteen hundred and two, and all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, and all provisions of law in force in the Philippine Islands making any form of money legal tender after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and three, except as provided in this Act, are hereby repealed.

Repeal.
Ante, p. 710.

Approved, March 2, 1903.

CHAP. 981.—An Act To confirm certain forest lieu selections made under the Act approved June fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

March 2, 1903.

[Public, No. 133.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all bona fide selections under the Act approved June fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (Thirtieth Statutes, thirty-six), of lands in Montana which lie within the territory opened to entry under the provisions of the Act approved May first, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, chapter two hundred and thirteen (Twenty-fifth Statutes, one hundred and thirteen to one hundred and thirty-three), entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Gros Ventre, Piegan, Blood, Blackfeet, and River Crow Indians in Montana, and for other purposes," made prior to the decision of the Commissioner of the General Land Office dated October twentieth, nineteen hundred and two, in the case of George L. Ramsey, holding that such lands are subject to disposal only under the forms of entry provided by the said Act of May first, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed, no other valid objection to the acceptance of such selections appearing.

Public lands.
Selections in lieu of
forest lands in Mont-
ana confirmed.
Vol. 30, p. 36.

Vol. 25, pp. 113-133.
Blackfeet Reserva-
tion.

Approved, March 2, 1903.

CHAP. 982.—An Act To extend to the port of Niagara Falls, New York, the privileges of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, governing the immediate transportation of dutiable merchandise without appraisement.

March 2, 1903.

[Public, No. 139.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the privileges of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, governing the immediate transportation of dutiable merchandise without appraisement, be, and they are hereby, extended to the port of Niagara Falls, New York.

Niagara Falls, N. Y.
Granted immediate
transportation privi-
leges.
Vol. 21, p. 173.

Approved, March 2, 1903.

CHAP. 990.—An Act To authorize the settlement of the accounts of officers of the Army.

March 2, 1903.

[Public, No. 140.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby, directed, in the settlement of the accounts of disbursing officers of the War Department, arising between the twenty-first day of April, eighteen hundred and

Army.
Allowance in ac-
counts of officers for
losses, war with Spain.

ninety-eight, from which date war with Spain is declared to have existed, and the eighth day of July, nineteen hundred and one, inclusive, the date on which the last organization of the Volunteer Army was mustered out of the service of the United States, to allow such credits for payments and for losses of funds, vouchers, and property as may be recommended under authority of the Secretary of War by the heads of the military bureaus to which such accounts respectively pertain.

Accounts to be closed.

Provisos.
Date of accounts.

Limitation.

In effect two years.

SEC. 2. That the accounts of military officers, whether of the line or staff, for Government property charged to them, shall be closed by the proper accounting officers whenever, in the judgment of the Secretary of War, it will be for the interest of the United States to do so: *Provided*, That such accounts originated subsequent to April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and prior to the ninth day of July, nineteen hundred and one: *Provided further*, That no settlement shall be made by the officers of the Treasury, under this Act, of the accounts of any officer whose combined responsibility for public money and Government property shall exceed the sum of five thousand dollars, and only of such officers of the Army in whose accounts there is no apparent fraud against the United States: *And provided further*, That this Act shall remain in force for two years from and after its passage, and no longer.

Approved, March 3, 1903.

March 3, 1903.

[Public, No. 141.]

George A. Detchemendy.
May be reappointed captain of infantry and retired.
Condition.

CHAP. 991.—An Act For the relief of George A. Detchemendy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized to summon George A. Detchemendy, late captain in the Twenty-second Infantry, United States Army, before a retiring board, to inquire whether at the date of his resignation, accepted to take effect March tenth, nineteen hundred and two, he was incapacitated for active service and whether such incapacity was the result of an incident of service, and whether said resignation should have been accepted as valid, and upon the results of said inquiry the President is authorized to nominate and appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, the said George A. Detchemendy a captain of infantry, and to place him upon the retired list of the Army.

Approved, March 3, 1903.

March 3, 1903.

[Public, No. 142.]

District of Columbia appropriations.
Half from District revenues.

CHAP. 992.—An Act Making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, 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 half of the following sums named, respectively, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the other half out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, in full for the purposes following, being for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, namely:

General expenses.

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Executive office.
Salaries, Commissioners, etc.

FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICE: For two Commissioners, at five thousand dollars each; Engineer Commissioner, nine hundred and twenty-four dollars (to make salary five thousand dollars); secretary, two thousand