

to the army, how to be settled.

been taken by such officers without giving such receipt, may be submitted to the commissary-general of subsistence, accompanied with such proof as each claimant may have to offer; and it shall be the duty of the commissary-general of subsistence to cause each claim to be examined, and, if convinced that it is just, and of the loyalty of the claimant, and that the stores have been actually received or taken for the use of, and used by said army, then to report each case for payment to the third auditor of the treasury with a recommendation for settlement.

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CHAP. CCXLI. — *An Act to correct a clerical Error in the Law of June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, relating to the Post-Office Department.*

Part of act of 1864, ch. 197, § 16, repealing portion of former act, repealed. *Ante*, p. 339. 1863, ch. 71. Vol. xii. p. 701.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That so much of the act of *thirtieth June*, [first of July] eighteen hundred sixty-four, as repeals the seven-teenth, eighteenth, *thirty-fifth*, *thirty-ninth*, and *forty-first* sections of the act of March third, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, entitled "An act to amend the laws relating to the Post-Office Department," be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

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CHAP. CCXLII. — *An Act to establish a Branch Mint of the United States at Dalles City, in the State of Oregon.*

Branch mint established at Dalles City, Oregon.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That a branch of the mint of the United States be located and established at Dalles City, in the State of Oregon, for the coinage of gold and silver.

Officers of the branch mint.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That, for carrying on the business of the said branch, the following officers shall be appointed, as soon as the public interest shall require their service, upon the nomination of the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, namely: one superintendent, one assayer, and one melter and refiner, and one coiner; and the superintendent shall employ as many clerks, subordinate workmen and laborers, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, as may be required. The salaries of the said officers and clerks shall be as follows: To the superintendent, the sum of two thousand dollars; to the assayer, the sum of eighteen hundred dollars; to the melter and refiner, eighteen hundred dollars; to the clerks, subordinate workmen, and laborers, such wages and allowances as are customary, according to their respective stations and occupations.

Clerks, workmen, &c. Salaries.

Officers, &c., to take oath.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the officers and clerks to be appointed under this act, before entering upon the execution of their offices, shall take an oath or affirmation before some judge of the United States or of the supreme court of said state, faithfully and diligently to perform the duties of their offices, and shall each become bound to the United States of America, with one or more sureties, to the satisfaction of the director of the mint or the district judge of the United States for the district of Oregon and of the Secretary of the Treasury, with the condition of the faithful performance of the duties of their offices.

Branch to be under the control, &c., of the director of the mint.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the general direction of the business of said branch mint of the United States shall be under the control and regulation of the director of the mint at Philadelphia, subject to the approbation of the Secretary of the Treasury; and for that purpose it shall be the duty of the said director to prescribe such regulations, and to require such returns, periodically and occasionally, and to establish such charges for parting, assaying, refining, and coining, as shall appear to him to be necessary for the purpose of carrying into effect the

Rules and regulations.