CHAP. 234.—An act to amend the act entitled "An act to amend and supplement an act entitled 'An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States' approved March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and for other purposes," approved June twenty-second, eighteen hundred and seventy-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twelve of said act be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows: After the word "committed," in line forty-four, insert: "Provided also, That no voluntary assignment by a debtor or debtors of all his or their property, heretofore or hereafter made in good faith for the benefit of all his or their creditors, ratably and without creating any preference, and valid according to the law of the State where made, shall of itself, in the event of his or their being subsequently adjudicated bankrupts in a proceeding of involuntary bankruptcy, be a bar to the discharge of such debtor or debtors." That section fifty-one hundred and eight of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows: At any time after the expiration of six months from the adjudication of bankruptcy, or if no debts have been proved against the bankrupt, or if no assets have come to the hands of the assignee, at any time after the expiration of sixty days, and before the final disposition of the cause, the bankrupt may apply to the court for a discharge from his debts. This section shall apply in all cases heretofore or hereafter commenced.

Approved, July 26, 1876.

CHAP. 239.—An act to amend an act approved May eight, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, in regard to leave of absence of Army officers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an act approved May eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, in regard to leave of absence of Army officers, be, and the same is hereby, so amended that all officers on duty shall be allowed, in the discretion of the Secretary of War, sixty days' leave of absence without deduction of pay or allowance: Provided, That the same be taken once in two years: And provided further, That the leave of absence may be extended to three months, if taken only once in three years, or four months if taken only once in four years.

This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, July 29, 1876.

CHAP. 246.—An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, 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 objects hereinafter expressed, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, namely:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following sums are hereby appropriated to pay the widows of late members of the present Congress, in conformity with the direction of the House of Representatives, namely:

To enable the Clerk of the House to pay the widow of Henry H. Starkweather, two thousand five hundred dollars.

To pay the widow of James Buffinton, in addition to the amount already received by her, one thousand nine hundred and forty-one dollars and seventy-seven cents.
To pay the widow of John W. Head, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

To pay the widow of Samuel M. Fite, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

To pay the widow of Garnett McMillan, late member elect from the ninth district of Georgia, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

MISCELLANEOUS.

To pay to the Executor of the estate of Henry Wilson, late Vice President of the United States the sum of ten thousand two hundred and twenty-two dollars, to be held and applied by said executor as if a part of the estate of said Wilson, given and bequeathed by his will.

To defray the expenses of the Senate in the impeachment of William W. Belknap, fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

To pay Fillmore Beall for fifteen days' service as clerk to the Senate Committee on Revolutionary Claims, from March tenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, to twenty-fourth inclusive, at six dollars per day, ninety dollars.

To enable the Clerk of the House to pay Robert Christy and Samuel Shellabarger counsel-fees in the habeas corpus case of Hallet Kilbourn, one thousand dollars each; the same to be disbursed under the direction of the Committee on Accounts, and to be added to the miscellaneous item of the contingent fund of the House.

To pay George W. Green contestee in contested election case of Van Wyck versus Green, fourteenth district of New York, Forty-first Congress, three thousand dollars.

To enable the Clerk of the House to pay the following named persons the sums severally due them, namely:

To Adolph Erdman, for clerical services rendered the Committee on Expenditures in the War Department, from March sixth to March fourteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, fourty five dollars.

To enable the Clerk of the House of Representatives to pay the clerk of the Committee on Invalid Pensions at the rate of eighteen hundred dollars per annum from the date of his appointment till the close of the Forty-fourth Congress, such sum as shall be sufficient to pay said salary after deducting any amount said clerk shall have already received.

To V. H. McCormack, special messenger and watchman to the Select Committee on the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company from January twelfth to April fourth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, inclusive, at three dollars and sixty cents per day, three hundred and forty cents.

To E. C. Stevens, for services as folder, rendered during the month of February, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, one hundred dollars and eighty cents.

For amount due J. E. W. Thompson for services under the Doorkeeper during the month of July, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, one hundred and eleven dollars and sixty cents.

For wages of certain folders and laborers in the folding rooms under the Doorkeeper of the House, seventy-two dollars and thirty-nine cents, for services performed during the present session.

For folding documents including pay of folding and materials, for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, nine thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars.

To enable the Clerk of the House to pay for extra clerical services in the Committee on War Claims, rendered necessary by the Reports of the Commissioners of Claims, four hundred and fifty dollars. Also to
enable the Clerk of the House to pay to Henry Thomas, for twenty-eight days service as messenger to the Committee on War Claims at two dollars per day, fifty-six dollars.

To S. I. Warren, for clerical services as clerk to the Committee on Commerce, for eight days service during the present session, forty dollars. And sixty dollars to pay A. R. Searl for wages as riding page for the month of December, eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

To J. B. Summers, for clerical services rendered the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice, ninety-two dollars.

Credit to clerk of House for payment to John E. Kelley.

Reporting testimony:

To authorize the Clerk of the House of Representatives to pay Theo. F. Davidson for thirteen days service, during the present session, as clerk of the Committee on Patents, at four dollars per day, fifty-two dollars.

BOTANICAL GARDEN.

For painting, glazing and repairing the Conservatory, green-houses, and forcing-houses, for extension and repairs of the heating apparatus, for sash and glazing; to complete the double-glazing on the north side of the Conservatory, for filling grounds and raising fence on south side of B street, for the erection of iron fences, and the erection of a porch for the centre building on Maryland avenue and the ceiling of a portion of the rotunda of the conservatory, thirty five hundred dollars.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

To enable the Librarian of Congress to employ enough clerical force to complete the alphabetical index now in progress to the documents, debates, and laws of Congress, and for preparing a complete index to the manuscripts and historical and military letters and papers in the Library of Congress, three thousand four hundred dollars.

PUBLIC PRINTING AND BINDING.

For the public printing, for the public binding, and for paper for the public printing, including the cost of printing the debates and proceedings of Congress in the Congressional Record, and for lithographing, mapping, and engraving for both houses of Congress, the Supreme Court, and the Court of Claims, and for the necessary materials, one million, one hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars; and out of the sum hereby appropriated, printing and binding may be done by the Congressional Printer to the amounts following namely:

Distribution of appropriation for public printing, etc.
Department, one hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars; for the Agricultural Department, nine thousand dollars; for the Department of Justice, six thousand dollars; for the Post Office, one hundred and five thousand dollars; for the Congressional Library fifteen thousand dollars; for the Supreme Court of the United States, twenty thousand dollars; for the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, three thousand dollars; for the Court of Claims, ten thousand dollars; and for debates and proceedings of Congress, one hundred thousand dollars; and of the sums hereby appropriated for the several Departments, Courts, and for the debates and proceedings in Congress, there shall only be used for the several purposes herein provided the sums specified, and the unexpended balances shall not be used for any other purposes: Provided, That from and after the passage of this act it shall be the duty of the Public Printer to employ no workmen not thoroughly skilled in their respective branches of industry, as shown by a trial of their skill under his direction; and whenever it becomes necessary for the Public Printer to make purchases of materials not already due under contracts he shall prepare a schedule of the articles required, showing the description, quantity, and quality of each article and shall invite proposals for furnishing the same either by advertisement or circular, as the Joint Committee on Public Printing may direct, and shall make contracts for the same with the lowest responsible bidder, making a return of the same to the Joint Committee on Public Printing, showing the number of bidders, the amounts of each bid and the awards of the contracts.

That so much of all laws or parts of laws as provide for the election or appointment of Public Printer be, and the same are hereby, repealed, to take effect from and after the passage of this act; and the President of the United States shall appoint by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a suitable person who must be a practical printer and versed in the art of book-binding, to take charge of and manage the Government Printing Office from and after the date aforesaid: he shall be called the “Public Printer,” and shall be vested with all the powers and subject to all the restrictions pertaining to the officer now known as the Public Printer; he shall give bond in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, said bond to be approved by the Secretary of the Interior. And the Joint Committee on Printing are hereby authorized and directed to enquire into the question of public printing and report at the next session of this Congress with authority to sit during the recess and to report such reforms as are necessary to secure faithful and economical work of Congress and the Departments.

For printing and binding the laws of the eighth session of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Idaho, two thousand one hundred and twenty-eight dollars, the same to be drawn and expended, and accounted for by the secretary of said Territory.

To enable the Secretary of the Senate to pay William J. McDonald, Chief Clerk of the Senate, for preparing under a resolution of the Senate of the twenty-eighth June eighteen hundred and seventy-six, a new edition of the manual, one thousand dollars.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

For maintenance of the fire-department of the District of Columbia, twenty five thousand dollars.
For the salaries of the inspector and of the assistant inspector of gas and metres, one thousand five hundred dollars: Provided, That an equal sum shall be paid out of the treasury of the District of Columbia.

That the Secretary of the Treasury shall reserve of any of the revenues of the District of Columbia not required for the actual current expenses of schools, the police, and the fire-department, a sum sufficient to meet the interest accruing on the three-sixty-five bonds of the District during the fiscal year beginning July first, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, and apply the same to that purpose; and in case there shall not be a sufficient sum of said revenues in the Treasury of the United States at such time as said interest may be due, then the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed, to advance from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum sufficient to pay said interest and the same shall be reimbursed to the Treasury of the United States from time to time as said revenues may be paid into said Treasury, until the full amount shall have been refunded.

To provide a full record of births, marriages and deaths in the District of Columbia, and for a general sanitary inspection, which shall include the prevention of the exposure for sale of unwholesome food and the daily inspection of streets, alleys, yards, and all places where nuisances may exist injurious to health, and for the removal thereof, and of all nuisances, including night soil, beyond the limits of the District of Columbia, and to prevent domestic animals from running at large, and for the protection of the public parks and grounds, sixteen thousand six hundred and seventy dollars: Provided, That an equal sum shall be paid out of the treasury of the District of Columbia, the combined sum to be expended as follows:

For salaries of five members of the board of health, five hundred dollars each; treasurer, secretary, attorney, register of vital statistics, who shall each be selected from the board, five hundred dollars each, in addition to salary as members of the board: Provided, That any two of the above-named officers may be filled by the same person at the discretion of the board; medical sanitary inspector, on thousand five hundred dollars; health officer, two thousand dollars; four clerks, four thousand eight hundred dollars; five sanitary inspectors, six thousand dollars; one poundmaster, one thousand dollars; and one messenger, seven hundred and twenty dollars; and for rent, one thousand three hundred and twenty dollars; printing, advertising, stationery, and blanks, one thousand dollars; transportation of offal, seven thousand five hundred dollars; laborers and pound-men, six hundred dollars; disinfectants, five hundred dollars; postage, fuel, and lights, four hundred dollars; miscellaneous sanitary work and contingent expenses, one thousand five hundred dollars: And provided further That in case of the prevalence of an epidemic within the District of Columbia, the Commissioners of the District may expend through the board of health, such sum as they may think proper, not exceeding the sum of ten thousand dollars.

**TREASURY DEPARTMENT.**

**FOR LIFE-SAVING AND LIFE-BOAT STATIONS:**—For salaries of superintendents of the life-saving stations at the following points, viz: On the coasts of Long Island and Rhode Island, one thousand five hundred dollars; and on the coast of New Jersey, one thousand five hundred dollars; assistant to the superintendent on the coasts of Long Island and Rhode Island, five hundred dollars; for superintendents on the coast of Massachusetts, on the coasts of Maine and New Hampshire, on the coasts of Virginia and North Carolina, on the coasts of Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, on the coasts of Lakes Erie and Ontario, on the coasts of Lakes Huron and Superior, and on the coast of Lake Michigan, and for superintendent for the houses of refuge on the coast of Florida, each one thousand dollars, eight thousand dollars; in all, eleven thousand five hundred dollars.
For one hundred and fifty-two keepers of stations, at two hundred dollars each, thirty thousand four hundred dollars.

For five keepers of houses of refuge on the coast of Florida, two thousand four hundred dollars.

For pay of crews of experienced surf-men at such stations and for such periods as the Secretary of the Treasury may deem necessary and proper, one hundred and forty-five thousand dollars.

For compensation to volunteers at life-boat stations, eight thousand one hundred and sixty dollars.

For fuel for one hundred and fifty-seven stations and houses of refuge, repairs and outfits for the same; supplies and provisions for houses of refuge and for shipwrecked persons succored at stations; travelling expenses of officers under orders from the Treasury Department; and contingent expenses, including freight, storage, repairs to apparatus, medals, stationery, advertising and miscellaneous expenses that cannot be included under any other head of life-saving stations, life-boat stations and houses of refuge on the coasts of the United States, forty thousand dollars. And the person in immediate charge of the life-saving service, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, shall make a report annually to the Secretary of the Treasury, showing the manner in which all moneys appropriated for the maintenance of said service shall have been expended, and setting forth specifically the operations of said service during the year; and said report shall be transmitted to Congress with the papers accompanying the Annual Finance Report.

REVENUE CUTTER SERVICE.

For the pay of captains, lieutenants, engineers, and pilots, and for rations for the same, and for pay of petty officers, seamen, stewards, boys, coal-passers, and firemen, and for rations for the same, and for fuel for vessels, repairs and outfits for same, ship-chandlery and engineers' stores for same, travelling expenses of officers travelling on duty under orders from the Treasury Department, commutation of quarters, and contingent expenses including wharfage, towing, dockage, freight, advertising, surveys, and miscellaneous expenses which cannot be included under special heads, seven hundred and forty-seven thousand six hundred and forty-seven dollars and nineteen cents, in addition to one hundred and twenty-seven thousand two hundred and forty-three dollars and ninety-one cents, being the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the same purpose for the service of the fiscal year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, which is hereby continued and rendered available for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven: Provided, That hereafter upon the occurring of a vacancy in the grade of third lieutenant in the Revenue Marine Service, the Secretary of the Treasury may appoint a cadet, not less than eighteen nor more than twenty-five years of age, with rank next below that of third lieutenant, whose pay shall be three-fourths that of a third lieutenant, and who shall not be appointed to a higher grade until he shall have served a satisfactory probationary term of two years and passed the examination required by the regulations of said service; and upon the promotion of such cadet another may be appointed in his stead; but the whole number of third lieutenants and cadets shall at no time exceed the number of third lieutenants now authorized by law.

JUDICIARY.

For defraying the expenses of the Supreme Court and circuit and district courts of the United States, including the District of Columbia; and also for jurors and witnesses and expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, of prosecutions for offenses committed against the United States; for the safe-keeping of prisoners, and for defraying the expenses which may be incurred in the enforcement of the
act of February twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relative to the right of citizens to vote, or any acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, two million five hundred thousand dollars.

For the support and maintenance of convicts transferred from the District of Columbia, eight thousand dollars.

For defraying the contingent expenses of the courts, and the fees, per diem and travelling expenses of the United States marshal in the Territory of Utah, arising under the act of June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, in relation to courts and judicial officers in the Territory of Utah; also the expenses under said act, of summoning jurors and subpoenaing witnesses, of arresting, guarding and furnishing prisoners, of hiring and feeding guards and of supplying and caring for the penitentiary, to be paid under the direction and order of the Department of Justice, upon accounts duly verified and certified, twenty thousand dollars.

For expenses to be incurred in the prosecution and collection of claims due the United States, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For detecting and punishing violations of the intercourse acts of Congress, and frauds committed in the Indian service, in allowing such increased fees and compensation of witnesses, jurors, and marshals, and in defraying such other expenses as may be necessary for this purpose, eight thousand dollars.

For the detection and prosecution of crimes against the United States, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For payment of the necessary expenses incurred in defending suits against the Secretary of the Treasury or his agents for the seizure of captured or abandoned property, and for the examination of witnesses in claims against the United States pending in any Department, and for the defense of the United States in the court of claims, to be expended under the direction of the Attorney General, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For the support, clothing, and medical and moral treatment of the insane of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps, and Revenue Cutter service, and of all persons who may have become insane since their entry into the military or naval service of the United States and who are indigent, and of the indigent insane of the District of Columbia, in the Government Hospital for the Insane, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and one-half of the expense of the indigent persons who may be hereafter admitted from the District of Columbia shall be paid from the treasury of said District.

For general repairs and improvements absolutely necessary, for the buildings of the institution, ten thousand dollars.

For the support of the institution, including salaries and incidental expenses, the maintenance of the beneficiaries of the United States, and five hundred dollars for the books and illustrative apparatus, forty-eight thousand dollars.

For continuing the work on the erection, furnishing, and fitting up the buildings of the institution in accordance with plans heretofore submitted, and for repairs on buildings already completed, forty thousand dollars.

For the support of the Columbia Hospital for Women and Lying-in-Asylum, over and above the probable amount which will be received from pay patients, sixteen thousand dollars, in addition to three thousand five hundred dollars, being the unexpended balances of former appropriations, which is hereby made available.
For a Mansard-roof for the building, eight thousand dollars.

For care and support, and medical treatment of seventy-five transient paupers, medical and surgical patients, in the Providence Hospital in the city of Washington, under a contract to be formed with said institution, fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, under the direction of the Surgeon-General of the Army, who shall cause an accurate report to be made monthly of the number of persons so relieved, their names, residence, date of admission, and date of discharge from the hospital.

For the support of the National Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Orphans’ Home, Washington City, District of Columbia, including salaries and incidental expenses, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, ten thousand dollars.

To aid in the support of the Children’s Hospital, Washington, District of Columbia, five thousand dollars.

For the Freedmen’s Hospital and Asylum in Washington, District of Columbia, namely, for subsistence, salaries and compensation, fuel and light, clothing, rent of hospital buildings, medicines and medical supplies, forage, and transportation, and miscellaneous expenses, forty-five thousand dollars.

For the National Association for the relief of the Colored Women and Children of the District of Columbia, ten thousand dollars.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.

For preservation of the collections of the surveying and exploring expeditions of the Government, ten thousand dollars.

For fitting up apartments for mounting and photographing specimens, three thousand dollars.

MISCELLANEOUS.

For expenses in detecting and bringing to trial and punishment persons engaged in counterfeiting Treasury notes, bonds, national bank-notes, and other securities of the United States, and the coinage thereof, and for detecting other frauds upon the Government, one hundred thousand dollars, to be disbursed under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

For compensation in lieu of moiecties in certain cases under customs-revenue laws, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

To enable the Secretary of State to pay a balance of one month’s rent of the building known as the Washington City Protestant Orphans Asylum, heretofore occupied for the use of the Department of State, being the rent due for the month of October, eighteen hundred and seventy-five under the lease, the sum of one thousand dollars.

To enable the Postmaster General to pay for not exceeding forty-three thousand copies quarterly of the United States Official Postal Guide and for mailing the same, twenty thousand dollars.

For three automatic weighing-machines, six thousand dollars to be disbursed by the Secretary of the Treasury for mint purposes.

REFORM SCHOOL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

For the superintendent, assistant superintendent, matron, three teachers, for medicines and physicians’ fees, gardener, farmer, baker, and night-watchman, seamstress, cook, and laundress, and four female servants, and for fuel, clothing, and incidentals, ten thousand dollars.

METROPOLITAN POLICE.

For salaries and other necessary expenses of the Metropolitan Police for the District of Columbia, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars: Provided, That a like sum shall concurrently be paid to defray the expenses of the said Metropolitan Police force, out of the treasury of the

Providing direction of the Surgeon-General of the Army.
Authority of board extended to public squares.

District of Columbia: And provided further, That the duties devolved and the authority conferred upon the board of Metropolitan Police by law, for police purposes, in said District, shall extend to and include all public squares or places; and said board is hereby authorized and required to make appropriate rules and regulations in relation thereto.

Public buildings at—

Atlanta; Public Buildings:—Court House and post office, Atlanta, Georgia: For continuation of the building, fifteen thousand dollars.

Boston; Sub-treasury and post-office, Boston, Massachusetts: For purchase of additional land condemned by the courts of the State of Massachusetts, including interest and expenses incident, two hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars.

Cincinnati; Custom House and post-office, Cincinnati, Ohio: For continuation of building, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Evansville; Custom House, court-house and post-office, Evansville, Indiana: For continuation of building, fifty thousand dollars.

Fall River; Custom-House and post-office, Fall River, Massachusetts: For continuation of building, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Hartford; Custom-House and post-office, Hartford, Connecticut: For continuation of building, one hundred thousand dollars.

Lincoln; Court-House, and post-office, Lincoln, Nebraska: For completing the building thirty thousand dollars, and for grading approaches, furniture and carpets, ten thousand dollars.

New Orleans; Custom-House, New Orleans, Louisiana: For completion of building, repairs, and alterations, twenty-nine thousand dollars.

Grand Rapids; Court-House and post-office Grand Rapids, Michigan: For continuation of the building, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Helena; Assay-Office, Helena, Montana: For repayment for site of building, one thousand five hundred dollars.

Jersey City; For the removing and remodelling of the building now on the lot and premises in Jersey City, New Jersey, belonging to the United States, for the purpose of a post-office, all the unexpended balance of the amount heretofore appropriated for purchasing the said lot and premises for the site of a post-office building in said city, being thirty thousand dollars, and also in addition thereto, the sum of twelve thousand dollars.

Trenton; Court-House and post office, Trenton, New Jersey: For completing and furnishing the building, in full for the same, thirty thousand dollars.

Memphis; Custom-House, court-house, and post office, Memphis, Tennessee: For continuation of the building, twenty-six thousand dollars.

Philadelphia; Post-office and court-house, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: For continuation of building, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to be used in completing the foundation and setting stone for the first story.

Raleigh; Court-House and post-office, Raleigh, North Carolina: For completion of building, fifty thousand dollars.

San Francisco; Appraisers' stores, San Francisco, California: For continuation of building, eighty thousand dollars.


Norfolk; State, War, and Navy Department building: For continuation of the building, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War.

For necessary repairs upon the ordnance depot, magazines, wharves, and buildings of the United States at the naval station at Norfolk, Virginia, the sum of fifty thousand dollars, to be expended by the Bureau of Ordnance, under the direction of the Navy Department. And the Secretary of the Navy, in case the public service may warrant it, may, and he is hereby, authorized to remove the magazine on Ellis Island, and in case of such removal, he is authorized to sell or remove all the public property on the said Island.
Court-House and post-office, Saint Louis, Missouri: For continuation of building, four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Court-House and post office, New York; For completion of building, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Court-House and post-office, Parkersburgh, West Virginia: For completion of building, fifty thousand dollars.

Custom House and post-office at Rockland, Maine, For completion of the building, fencing, grading, and approaches, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Custom House and post office, Port Huron, Michigan: For completion of the building, and finishing the same, thirty-six thousand dollars.

For completion of basement story of the post office Department building, forty thousand dollars.


Repairs and preservation of public buildings: For repairs and preservation of public buildings under control of the Treasury Department, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

LIGHT HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT.

Salaries of keepers of light houses: For salaries of nine hundred and ninety one light-house and light beacon keepers and their assistants, five hundred and ninety-four thousand and six hundred dollars.

Expenses of light-vessels: For seamen's wages, rations, repairs, salaries, supplies, and incidental expenses of twenty-three light-ships and seven relief light-vessels, two hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

Expenses of buoyage: For expenses of raising, cleaning, painting, repairing, removing, and supplying losses of buoys, spindles, and day-beacons, and for chains, sinkers, and similar necessaries, three hundred and ten thousand dollars.

Expenses of fog signals: For repairs and incidental expenses in renewing, refitting, and improving fog signals and buildings connected therewith, fifty thousand dollars.

Inspecting lights: For expenses of visiting and inspecting lights and other aids to navigation, including rewards paid for information as to collisions, four thousand dollars.

Supplies of light-houses: For supplying the light-houses and beacon-lights on the Atlantic, Gulf, Lake, and Pacific coasts with oil, wicks, glass chimneys, chamois-skins, spirits of wine, whiting, polishing-powder, towels, brushes, soap, paint, and other cleansing materials, and for expenses of gauging, testing, transportation, delivery of oil, fuel and other supplies for light-houses and fog signals, for books for light-stations, and other incidental and necessary expenses, three hundred and eighty thousand dollars.

Repairs of light-houses: For repairs and incidental expenses of refitting and improving light-houses and buildings connected therewith, and for expenses of repairing and keeping in repair illuminating apparatus and machinery, three hundred thousand dollars.

Lighting and buoyage of the Mississippi, Missouri, and Ohio rivers; For maintenance of lights on the Mississippi, Ohio, and Missouri Rivers, and such buoys as may be necessary, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

LIGHT-HOUSES, BEACONS, AND FOG-SIGNALS.

For boat-landings at light-stations on the coast of Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts, ten thousand dollars.

For site for a light-house and buoy-depot at Little Hog Island, Portland Harbor, Maine, the purchase thereof being hereby authorized, three thousand dollars.

For the construction of a light-house and fog-signal at Nubble Head, Maine, fifteen thousand dollars.
For range-lights, Block Island Breakwater, Rhode Island, nine hundred dollars.

For building a light-house at the mouth of Nansemond River, in Virginia, fifteen thousand dollars.

For building a light ship with steam fog signal for an outside station and for shore purposes, fifty thousand dollars.

For constructing a dike to protect site of Mispillion light-station, Delaware, from the overflow of the tide, four thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary; and any surplus of said fund may be appropriated for the purpose of making a road from the light-house to the firm land.

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To complete the construction of the light-house on Cross Ledge Shoal, Delaware Bay, twenty-five thousand dollars. And the Light House Board is hereby authorized to place the light-ship formerly at "Cross Ledge Shoal," upon "Fourteen Foot Bank" near the lower end of "Joe Flogger Shoal" any expense incurred to come out of the appropriation in this bill under the head of expenses of light-vessels.

For continuing the construction of the light-house on Ship John Shoal, Delaware Bay, and the unexpended balance of the appropriation made by the act of March third eighteen hundred and seventy three, for a light house on or near the south end of Pea-Patch Island, Delaware River, is hereby made available for the construction of range lights, to guide past Bulkhead Shoals, Delaware River, authorized by the act of June twenty third, eighteen hundred and seventy four, twenty-five thousand dollars. And the Light House Board is authorized to make a survey for the location of a light or lights to guide past the shoals at and near Cherry Island Flats, Delaware River, and to report at the next session with the cost thereof.

For buoy-shed and store house at Chincoteague Inlet, Virginia, the purchase of the land for the site being hereby authorized, one thousand dollars.

For building a steam tender for service in the fourth light-house district, fifty thousand dollars.

For rebuilding light-house at Roanoke Marshes, North Carolina, five thousand dollars.

For building a light-house on Fort Ripley Shoal, Charleston Harbor, South Carolina, to take the place of the light now at Castle Pinckney, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the reestablishment of range lights at Hilton Head and Bay Point, entrance to Port Royal Harbor, South Carolina, forty thousand dollars.

For the establishment of range lights to guide through the dredged channel, Tybee Knoll, Savannah River, twelve thousand dollars.

For rebuilding the front beacon at Sapelo Island, Georgia, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For wharf and repairs South Pass light station, Louisiana, four thousand dollars.

For rebuilding and repairing light houses on the coast of Texas, twenty thousand dollars.

For continuing the construction of range lights in Sandusky Bay, Ohio, seven thousand dollars.

For establishing temporary lights along the line of the dredged channel, Maumee Bay, Ohio four thousand dollars; in addition to three thousand dollars being the unexpended balance of the appropriation for two day-beacons in said bay made by the act of June twenty third, eighteen hundred and seventy four, which is hereby continued and made available for this purpose. For range-lights at the mouth of Cheboygan River in the State of Michigan, ten thousand dollars.

For purchase of land for right of way at Santa Barbara light-station, the same being hereby authorized, five hundred dollars.

For removing the light house at Point Bonita, California, to a less elevated site twenty five thousand dollars.
For purchase of additional land for site at Point Fermin light station, California, the same being hereby authorized, three hundred dollars.

For purchase of land required for roadways at light stations and fog signal stations on the Pacific coast, the same being hereby authorized, five thousand dollars.

For establishing range lights for crossing Saint Helen's Bar, Columbia River, Oregon, one thousand dollars.

For erection of pier-head lights on the northern and northwestern lakes, five thousand dollars. And the appropriation heretofore made for a light-house at Port Austin, Michigan may be expended in commencing the construction of the proposed light house out on the reef, instead of on the shore: Provided, The total estimate for its completion shall not exceed eighty five thousand dollars.

For the construction of a road from Windmill Point light-station, Lake St. Clair Michigan, to the main road from Detroit to Grosse Point, two thousand dollars.

ARMORIES AND ARSENALS.

For repairs and preservation of grounds, buildings and machinery of the arsenal at Springfield, Massachusetts, fifteen thousand dollars.

Rock Island arsenal: For a rolling-mill and forging-shop, (shop F) for the armory at Rock Island arsenal, Rock Island Illinois, seventy five thousand dollars, in addition to the unexpended balances of appropriations for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy, which are hereby made available for the service of the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy seven.

For an iron-working and finishing shop (shop G) for the arsenal, thirty thousand dollars.

For sewers, new roads, care and preservation of water power, of permanent buildings and bridges, including painting, building fences, and grading grounds, and repairs and extension of railroads, twenty-two thousand dollars.

For care and preservation of the Rock Island bridge, nine thousand dollars.

Benicia arsenal, Benicia, California; For putting lightning-rods on three magazines and thirteen public buildings, one thousand six hundred and seventy five dollars.

For continuing of boring of artesian well, or for putting down iron pipe and turbine wheel, to be run by flow of water to force water into reservoir, five thousand dollars. To repair old shop-building, and make it suitable for a store house, five thousand five hundred dollars.

For repairing roads and constructing sewers and drains, five thousand dollars.

For grading grounds and for permanent repairs of post machinery for shops, and fences, six thousand dollars.

For repairs of smaller arsenals, and to meet such unforeseen expenditures at arsenals as accidents or other contingencies during the year may render necessary, forty thousand dollars.

NAVY YARDS AND STATIONS.

For repairs at the different navy yards and stations and preservation of the same, one hundred thousand dollars, and the act entitled “an act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy seven and for other purposes” approved June thirtieth eighteen hundred and seventy-six is hereby amended as follows: After the word “Washington” in the clause appropriating for necessary repairs of Naval Laboratory, &c., strike out the last ten words, as follows: “And the same shall be closed during the coming year.”

For continuing the work on the dry dock at Mare Island, California fifty thousand dollars.

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Surveys of northern and northwestern lakes, etc.

For continuing surveys of Lakes Erie and Ontario; determination of points in aid of State surveys and construction of maps; continuation of triangulation south from Chicago and east to Lake Erie; survey of the Mississippi River, and miscellaneous, one hundred thousand dollars.

Buildings and grounds in and around Washington.

Public grounds in Washington, D. C.

Improvement and care of public grounds; For filling in and improving grounds south of Executive Mansion, five thousand dollars.

For ordinary care and extension of green houses at the nursery, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For ordinary care of Lafayette Square, one thousand dollars.

For annual repair of fences, one thousand dollars.

For manure and hauling of the same two thousand dollars.

For painting iron fences, two thousand dollars.

For repair of seats, five hundred dollars.

For purchase and repair of tools, five hundred dollars.

For trees, tree-stakes, lime and whitewashing, three thousand dollars.

For removing snow and ice, one thousand dollars.

For flowers, pots, twine, Italian lycopodium, and so forth five hundred dollars.

For abating nuisances, five hundred dollars.

For care of and repairs to fountains in the public grounds five hundred dollars.

Pedestal for statue of General George H. Thomas, twenty-five thousand dollars: Provided, That the Secretary of War and the chairman of the Committee on public buildings and grounds of the Senate and the chairman of public buildings and grounds of the House of Representatives are hereby appointed a committee to select and designate such place upon the public grounds in Washington City which in their judgment will be most appropriate, where said monument shall be erected.

Naval monument.

Provided, That the Admiral of the Navy, the chairman of the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds of the Senate, and the chairman of the Committee of Public Buildings and Grounds of the House of Representatives are hereby appointed a committee to select and designate such place upon the public grounds for the erection of the said monument, as in their judgment shall be most appropriate.

Monument in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

To aid in the completion of the monument in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, in commemoration of the emancipation of the colored race, three thousand dollars, to be paid to the duly authorized officers of the association having the work in charge.

Executive Mansion.

For repairs of the Executive Mansion, furnishing the same, and fuel for the same, and for care and necessary repairs of the green houses, seventeen thousand dollars.

Lighting Capitol.

For lighting the Capitol, and grounds about the same, including Botanical Garden; for gas, pay of lamp-lighters, gas fitters, plumbers and plumbing, lamps, lamp-posts, matches, materials for the electrical battery and repairs of all kinds, thirty-two thousand dollars to be expended under the direction of the Architect of the Capitol.
For lighting the Executive Mansion, namely, for gas, pay of lamp-lighters, gas-fitters plumbers and plumbing, lamps lamp-posts, matches and repairs of all kinds, fuel for watchmen's lodges and for green houses at the nursery, nineteen thousand dollars: Provided, That the superintendent of meters at the Capitol shall hereafter take the statement of the meters of the several Department buildings in the city of Washington, and render to the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department the consumption of gas each month in said buildings respectively.

For repairing and extending water-pipes, purchase of apparatus to clean them, and for cleaning the springs that supply the Capitol, Executive Mansion, and War and Navy Departments, five thousand dollars.

For ordinary repairs to Benning's and the Anacostia and Chain bridges, one thousand dollars.

Washington aqueduct: For engineering, maintenance, and general repairs, eighteen thousand dollars.

For repairs of Georgetown reservoir, four thousand dollars.

For improvement and care of all the various public reservations six thousand dollars.

For continuing the improvement of Reservation number three, five thousand dollars.

For repairs and care of the telegraph to connect the Capitol with the Departments, and the Public Printing office, five hundred dollars.

Capitol extension: For work on the Capitol, and for general care and repair thereof, sixty thousand dollars.

For improving the Capitol grounds and for paving road-way and foot-walks in the Capitol grounds one hundred and twenty five thousand dollars.

For taking up and renewing floor of the Senate Chamber and re-arranging the flues for more equal distribution of air through the registers of the floor, five thousand dollars.

For an additional steam boiler for the heating apparatus in the Senate wing of the Capitol, and for repairs to gas pipes in the Capitol building, eight thousand dollars.

For improvement of Senate elevator, five thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary.

To pay George N. Stranahan, conductor of the Senate elevator twelve hundred dollars, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy seven.

Intermediate Department building: For annual repairs thereof, five thousand dollars.

Court house building, Washington District of Columbia; for repairs thereof, two thousand dollars.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

For labor, four thousand dollars; manure, one hundred dollars; repairs to heating apparatus, including one new boiler, five hundred dollars; repairing concrete walks, and laying new concrete walks, one thousand dollars; for tools carts, mowing machines and repairs of same, five hundred dollars; repairing conservatories, four hundred and fifty dollars; in all six thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

That so much of the appropriation herefore made for salaries of the United States and Mexican Claims Commission as may remain unexpended on the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, as shall be necessary for the purpose may be used in payment of salaries of the agent, secretary, clerks, translators, and messengers at the rates now respectively allowed to them for a period not to exceed six months from the first day of July, eighteen hundred and seventy-six;
Acknowledgment of services of umpire.

Engraving and Printing Bureau.

For labor and expenses of engraving and printing, namely:

For labor (by the day, piece or contract) including labor of workmen skilled in engraving, transferring, plate-printing and other specialties necessary for carrying on the work of engraving and printing notes, bonds, and other securities of the United States, the pay for such labor to be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury at rates not exceeding the rates usually paid for such work; and for other expenses of engraving and printing notes, bonds, and other securities of the United States; for paper for notes, bonds, and other securities of the United States, including mill expenses, boxing, and transportation; for materials other than paper required in the work of engraving and printing; for purchase of engravers' tools, dies, rolls, and plates, and for machinery and repairs of the same, and for expenses of operating macerating machines for the destruction of the United States notes, bonds, national bank notes, and other obligations of the United States authorized to be destroyed, eight hundred and thirteen thousand dollars.

One month's extra pay to furloughed employees.

And each of the employees recently furloughed and finally permanently discharged from service in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing shall receive one month's pay, for which purpose the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated: Provided, That said pay shall be given personally to said employee respectively only, and not to any agent claiming for them: And provided further, That in case of their restoration to employment in the Government service, one half of said months' pay shall be deducted from their first months' wages after such restoration and the remaining half of said months' pay shall be deducted from their second months' wages after such restoration.

Survey of Atlantic and Gulf coast.

Survey of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts: For every purpose and object necessary for and incident to the continuation of the survey of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts of the United States, and the Mississippi River to the head of ship-navigation with soundings and observations of deep-sea temperatures in the Gulf-stream and the Gulf of Mexico, and observations of currents along the same coasts, and the preparation, engraving, lithographing, and issuing of charts, the preparation and publication of the Coast Pilot and other results of the Coast Survey, the purchase of materials therefor, and including compensation of civilians engaged in the work, and pay and subsistence of engineers for the steamers engaged on those coasts, three hundred thousand dollars.

Survey of Pacific coast.

Survey of the western coast: For every purpose and object necessary for, and incident to, the continuation of the survey of the Pacific coasts of the United States, with soundings and observations of deep sea temperatures in the branch of the Japan Stream off, and observations of other currents along, the same coasts, and the preparation, engraving, lithographing, and issuing of charts, the preparation and publication of the Coast Pilot and other results of the Coast Survey, with the purchase of materials therefor, including compensation of civilians engaged in the work, and pay and subsistence of engineers for the steamers engaged on those coasts, two hundred thousand dollars.

Geodetic surveying.

Geodetic surveying. Coast Survey: For every purpose and object necessary for and incident to the continuation of the triangulation of
the Coast Survey to form a connection between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of the United States, and furnishing points for State surveys, including compensation of civilians engaged in the work, fifty thousand dollars.

Repairs of vessels, Coast-Survey: For repairs and maintenance of the complement of vessels used in the Coast Survey, thirty thousand dollars.

Publishing observations, Coast Survey: For continuing the publications of observations, and their discussion, made in the progress of the coast survey, including compensation of civilians engaged in the work, the publication to be made at the Public Printing Office six thousand dollars.

General expenses, Coast Survey: General expenses of the Coast Survey, in reference to the Atlantic, Gulf, and Pacific coasts of the United States, namely: For rent of buildings, number two hundred and eleven, New Jersey avenue, south, and number two hundred and fifteen, South Capitol street (excepting the workshops for standard weights and measures) for offices, workrooms, and workshops, thirteen thousand six hundred dollars.

For rent of sub. office in San Francisco, California, two-thousand dollars.

For rent of fire-proof buildings, number two hundred and five, New Jersey avenue, south, (excepting rooms for standard weights and measures,) for the safe-keeping and preservation of the original astronomical, magnetic, hydrographic, and other records, the original topographical and hydrographic maps and charts, the engraved plates, instruments, and other valuable articles of the Coast Survey, five thousand dollars.

For fuel for all the offices and buildings, two thousand dollars.

For the transportation of instruments, maps, and charts, the purchase of new instruments, books, maps, and charts, and for gas and other miscellaneous expenses, nine thousand four hundred dollars.

To effect a transfer of accounts in the Coast Survey appropriation for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, and involving no expenditure of money from the Treasury, namely, from the item entitled “Repairs of vessels” to the item entitled “Survey of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts,” in the said appropriations, four thousand seven hundred and ninety-six dollars and fifty-one cents.

MISCELLANEOUS OBJECTS.

Expenses of national currency: For paper, engraving, printing, express charges, and other expenses, two hundred thousand dollars.

Transportation of United States securities: For transportation of notes, bonds, and other securities of the United States, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Inquiries respecting food-fishes: For continuing the inquiry into the causes of the decrease of food-fishes of the coast, of the rivers, and of the lakes of the United States, five thousand dollars.

Propagation of food-fishes: For introduction of shad into the waters of the Pacific and Atlantic States, the Gulf States, and of the Mississippi Valley, and of salmon, whitefish, and other useful food-fishes into the waters of the United States to which they are best adapted, thirty thousand dollars.


Metric standard of weights and measures: For construction and verification of standard weights and measures for the custom houses of the United States and for the several States, and of metric standards for the same, eight thousand dollars.

For rent of workshops in building number two hundred and fifteen, South Capitol Street, four hundred dollars.
Rent of rooms, New Jersey avenue. For rent of fire-proof rooms in building number two hundred and five, New Jersey avenue, south, for the safe keeping and preservation of finished weights, measures, balances, and metric standards, one thousand dollars.

Fuel. For fuel and lights, three hundred dollars.

Fuel, light, etc., for buildings under Treasury Department. For fuel, light, water, and miscellaneous items, required by the janitors and firemen in the proper care of the buildings, furniture, and heating apparatus, such as brooms, mops, brushes, buckets, wheelbarrows, shovels, saws, hatchets, hammers, and so forth, for all public buildings under control of the Treasury Department, three hundred thousand dollars.

Furniture, etc. For furniture and repairs of furniture and carpets for all public buildings under control of the Treasury Department, seventy-five thousand dollars.

Heating, etc. For heating, ventilating, and hoisting apparatus, and repairs of same, for all public buildings under control of the Treasury Department, one hundred thousand dollars.

Pay of custodians, etc. For pay of custodians and janitors for all public buildings under control of the Treasury Department, seventy-five thousand dollars.

Vaults, safes, etc. For vaults, safes, and locks, and repair of same, for all public buildings under control of the Treasury Department, fifty thousand dollars.

Photographing, etc. For photographing, engraving, and printing plans for all public buildings under control of the Treasury Department, three thousand dollars.

Land map. For photolithographing and printing the large connected land map of the United States and Territories two thousand five hundred dollars.

Henry Cliff, That the sum of three hundred and two dollars and forty cents be and the same is hereby appropriated to Henry Cliff, Charles S. Resinger, and Charles E. Diemer for services rendered as folders for the House of Representatives for the month of February eighteen hundred and seventy-four to be divided equally between them.

Investigation of election in Mississippi. For the expense of the investigation of the late election in Mississippi, three thousand five hundred dollars.

Agents at seal-fisheries. For salaries and traveling expenses of agents at seal-fisheries in Alaska, one agent and three assistants, nine thousand four hundred and sixty-five dollars: Provided, however, that the two assistant agents whose salaries as fixed by law at two thousand one hundred and ninety dollars each per annum, shall be discontinued from and after the first day of October eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

Assistant agents discontinued.

Observation and report of storms. Signal-Office. For expenses of the observation and report of storms by telegraph and signal for the benefit of commerce and agriculture throughout the United States; for manufacture, purchase, or repair of meteorological and other necessary instruments for telegraphing reports; for expenses of storm-signals, announcing probable approach and force of storms; for continuing the establishment and connection of stations at life-saving stations and light-houses; for instrument-shelters; for hire, furniture, and expenses of offices maintained for public use in cities or ports receiving reports; for river-reports; for books, periodicals, newspaper, and stationery; and for incidental expenses not otherwise provided for, three hundred thousand dollars.

Observation and report of storms. Under the War Department.

Military telegraph lines. For completing the construction, maintenance, and use of military telegraph lines on Indian and Mexican frontiers, and for the connection of military posts and stations, for the better protection of emigration and the frontier settlements from depredations, especially in the State of Texas, the Territories of New Mexico and Arizona and the Indian Territory, under the provisions of the act approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, forty-five thousand dollars.
MISCELLANEOUS OBJECTS.

For geographical surveys of the Territories west of the one hundredth meridian, twenty thousand dollars.

For preparing, engraving, and printing the cuts, charts, plates, and atlas sheets for geographical surveys west of the one hundredth meridian, ten thousand dollars.

For completing experiments in testing iron, steel, and other metals as provided in section four of the act approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, eighty thousand dollars, and ninety-eight cents. And the board for testing iron and steel provided for in said section shall be discontinued from and after the expenditure of the amount herewith appropriated.

Collection and payment of bounty, prize-money, and other claims of colored soldiers and sailors; For salaries of agents and clerks; rent of office, fuel, lights, stationery, and similar necessaries; office-furniture and repairs; transportation of officers and agents; telegraphing and postage, the unexpended balances, or so much thereof as may be necessary, of the appropriations for like purposes for the fiscal years ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, and eighteen hundred and seventy-six, respectively, are hereby continued and made available for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven being fifty-six thousand two hundred and thirty-five dollars and four cents.

For payment of costs and charges of State Penitentiaries, for the care, clothing, maintenance, and medical attendance of the United States military convicts confined in them, sixteen thousand dollars.

For publication of the official records of the rebellion, both of the Union and Confederate armies, forty thousand dollars; to be paid to persons only who are not otherwise employed by the Government.

For completing the Medical and Surgical History of the war the unexpended balance of the appropriation made in the act of June eight, eighteen hundred and seventy-two and re-appropriated in the act of June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and seventy-four is hereby continued and rendered available and the Surgeon General is hereby authorized to continue on duty in his office the acting assistant Surgeons now employed on said History.

SUPPORT OF NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

For current expenses, including construction and repairs, namely, for Central branch, Eastern branch, Northwestern branch, Southern branch, and for out door relief and incidental expenses, three hundred and eighteen thousand seven hundred and thirty-three dollars and forty-four cents, in addition to the unexpended balance of former appropriations, amounting to three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, which is hereby continued and made available for the service of the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven.

To aid in the completion of the Soldiers Monument at the Central Branch of the National Military Home two thousand dollars.

For the support of the Leavenworth Military Prison, at Leavenworth, Kansas, sixty-one thousand six hundred and eighty-eight dollars and fifteen cents.

For work necessary for the protection of the river banks at Fort Brown, Texas against the encroachments of the Rio Grande ten thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the directions of the Secretary of War.

For rent of building on southeast corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Fifteenth street, northwest, Washington, District of Columbia, from September first, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, to June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, at one thousand dollars per month, ten thousand dollars; for rent of the same building from July first,
For repairing and fitting up the so-called Armory Building on the mall between Sixth and Seventh streets, and to enable the Smithsonian Institution to store therein and to take care of specimens of the extensive series of the ores of the precious metals, marbles, building stones, coals, and numerous objects of natural history now on exhibition in Philadelphia, including other objects of practical and economical value presented by various foreign governments to the National Museum, four thousand five hundred dollars: Provided, That the said sum shall be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution; and it shall hereafter be the duty of all watchmen or policemen employed in the grounds belonging to the United States to co-operate with the Metropolitan police in enforcing the rules and regulations of the board of Metropolitan police made in relation to the public works and approved by said board.

To pay John Titus, late Chief Justice of Arizona Territory, six hundred and fifty-eight dollars and eighty cents, balance of salary due him.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

For the continuation of the geological and geographical survey of the Territories of the United States, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, by Professor F. V. Hayden, sixty-five thousand dollars.

For the completion of the geographical and geological survey of the Rocky Mountain region including ten thousand dollars for the preparation and publication of maps, charts and other illustrations necessary for the reports of said survey by J. W. Powell under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, thirty thousand dollars.

For payment of employees at Red Cloud and Spotted Tail agencies in Nebraska for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth eighteen hundred and seventy-six eleven thousand eight hundred and eighty dollars.

Black Hills Survey: Fourteen thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to enable the Secretary of the Interior to pay the expenses of the Survey of the Black Hills country under Professor W. P. Jenney including the expenses incidental to the preparation of the final report. And none of said money thus appropriated shall be used to reimburse the Indian funds heretofore used for the purposes of this survey; And it is further provided, That the accounting-officers of the Treasury are hereby authorized to audit and settle the accounts of Walter P. Jenney, H. P. Tuttle, and C. G. Newberry, to the amount of eleven thousand dollars, the same being the sum drawn from the Sioux beneficial fund, in the same manner as if that sum had been appropriated for this survey.

For this amount or so much thereof as may be required to pay the expenses of a commission, to be appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, to appraise certain Cherokee lands in the Indian Territory, in accordance with the fifth section of the act making appropriations for the expenses of the Indian Department, approved May twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, five thousand dollars.

To carry out the provisions of an act entitled "An act to authorize the Seneca Nation of New York Indians to lease lands within the Cattaraugus and Allegany reservations and to confirm existing leases" approved February nineteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, to pay for surveys as estimated by the Commissioner of the General Land Office fifteen thousand five hundred dollars.

SURVEYS OF PUBLIC LANDS.

For survey of the public lands and private land claims, three hundred thousand dollars: Provided, That the sum hereby appropriated shall be expended in such surveys as the public interest may require, under
the direction of the Commissioner of the General Land-Office, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, and at such rates as the Secretary of the Interior shall prescribe, not exceeding the rate herein authorized: Provided, That no lands shall be surveyed under this appropriation, except, first, those adapted to agriculture without artificial irrigation; second, irrigable lands, or such as can be redeemed and for which there is sufficient accessible water for the reclamation and cultivation of the same not otherwise utilized or claimed; third, timber-lands bearing timber of commercial value; fourth, coal-lands containing coal of commercial value; fifth, exterior boundary of town-sites; sixth, private land claims. The cost of such surveys shall not exceed ten dollars per mile for standard lines, and the starting point for said survey may be established by triangulation, seven dollars for townships, and six dollars for section lines; except that the Commissioner of the General Land Office may allow for the survey of standard lines in heavily timbered land a sum not exceeding thirteen dollars per mile.

For survey of private land claims, twenty-five thousand dollars.

That an accurate account shall be kept by each surveyor-general of the cost of surveying and platting every private land claim, to be reported to the General Land-Office with the map of such claim; and that a patent shall not issue nor shall any copy of any such survey be furnished for any such private claim until the cost of survey and platting shall have been paid into the Treasury of the United States by the party or parties in interest in said grant or by any other party: And provided further, That before any land granted to any railroad company by the United States shall be conveyed to such company, or any persons entitled thereto under any of the acts incorporating or relating to said company, unless such company is exempted by law from the payment of such cost, there shall first be paid into the Treasury of the United States the cost of surveying, selecting, and conveying, and conveying the same by the said company or persons in interest.

For completion of surveys of Pawnee reservation in Nebraska, and Otoe reservation in Kansas and Nebraska, ten thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, the whole amount of the cost of such surveys to be re-imbursed to the Treasury out of the proceeds of the sale of such reservations respectively.

That the land offices at Chillicothe, Ohio, Indianapolis, Indiana, Springfield, Illinois, and the office of the recorder of land-titles of the State of Missouri are hereby abolished, from and after the thirtieth day of September next and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to transfer to the States respectively aforesaid such of the transcripts, documents, and records of the offices aforesaid as may not be required for use of the United States, and as the States respectively in which said offices are situated may desire to preserve; and the office of the surveyor-general of Kansas is hereby abolished from and after the thirtieth of September next.

PUBLIC LANDS.

For rent of office of the surveyor-general of Louisiana, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Florida, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Minnesota, fuel, stationery, books, and other necessaries, fifteen hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Dakota, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, fifteen hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Colorado, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of New Mexico, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor general of California, fuel, books, stationery, and other incidental expenses, three thousand dollars.
For rent of office of surveyor-general of Idaho Territory, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Nevada, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Oregon, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Washington Territory, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Nebraska and Iowa, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, fifteen hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Montana Territory, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Utah Territory, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Wyoming Territory, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For rent of office of surveyor-general of Arizona Territory, fuel, books, stationery, and other necessaries, one thousand five hundred dollars.

EXPENSES OF THE COLLECTION OF REVENUE FROM SALES OF PUBLIC LANDS.

For salaries and commissions of registers of land offices and receivers of public money, at ninety-four land offices, three hundred and sixty-five thousand four hundred and eighty-three dollars and twenty-one cents.

For incidental expenses of the land offices, forty thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For expenses of depositing money received from the sale of public lands, thirteen thousand dollars.

To meet expenses of suppressing depredations upon timber on the public lands, five thousand dollars.

Approved, July 31, 1876.