

shall be authorized to locate a quantity of like amount, upon any of the public lands subject to entry, at one dollar and a quarter per acre, or less, and patents shall issue therefor, upon the terms and conditions enumerated in the act aforesaid: *Provided, however,* That the said decisions of the Commissioner of the General Land-Office shall be approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

APPROVED, March 2, 1855.

CHAP. CLXVI.—*An Act to increase the Compensation of the Registers of Land-Offices and Receivers of public Moneys under the Act entitled an Act to graduate and reduce the Price of the Public Lands to actual Settlers and Cultivators, approved August fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.* March 3, 1855.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That each register of a land office and receiver of public moneys shall receive the same amount of pay for each and every entry of land made under the act entitled "*An act to graduate and reduce the price of the public lands to actual settlers and cultivators, approved August fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four,*" as such officer is by law entitled to receive for similar entries of land at the minimum price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre: *Provided,* That the whole amount received per year shall in no case exceed the limitation fixed by existing laws.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

CHAP. CLXVII.—*An Act to provide for the erection of Public Buildings in the Territory of Kansas.* March 3, 1855.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the continuation and erection of public buildings for the use of the legislature of the Territory of Kansas, to be expended under the direction of the governor of said territory: *Provided,* Said money, or any part thereof, or of any portion of the money heretofore appropriated for this purpose, shall not be expended until the legislature of said territory shall have fixed by law the permanent seat of government.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

CHAP. CLXVIII.—*An Act to provide for the erection of Public Buildings in the Territory of Nebraska.* March 3, 1855.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of fifty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the construction of public buildings in the Territory of Nebraska, to be expended under the direction of the governor of said territory: *Provided,* Said money, or any part thereof, shall not be expended until the legislature shall have fixed by law the permanent seat of government.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

CHAP. CLXIX.—*An Act making Appropriations for the Support of the Army, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and for other Purposes.* March 3, 1855.

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, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the army, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six:—

Pay.

For pay of the army, two million six hundred thousand eight hundred and six dollars.

For pay, supplies, and travelling expenses of six companies of Texas volunteers, called into service by the governor of Texas, and mustered into the service of the United States, one hundred and thirty-seven thousand seven hundred and fifty-five dollars and thirty-eight cents.

For commutation of officers' subsistence, six hundred and twenty-eight thousand one hundred and sixty-eight dollars.

For commutation of forage for officers' horses, one hundred and four thousand eight hundred and thirty-two dollars.

For payments in lieu of clothing for officers' servants, thirty-six thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For expenses of recruiting, transportation of recruits, three months' extra pay to non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, on reenlistment, one hundred thousand dollars.

For subsistence in kind, one million three hundred and eighty-one thousand and sixty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents.

For clothing for the army, camp and garrison equipage, five hundred and seventy-four thousand eight hundred and seventy-six dollars and fifty-nine cents.

Quarter-master's department.

For the regular supplies of the quarter-master's department, consisting of fuel, forage in kind for the horses, mules, and oxen of the quarter-master's department, at the several military posts and stations, and with the armies in the field; for the horses of the first and second regiments of dragoons, the companies of light artillery, the regiment of mounted riflemen, and such companies of infantry as may be mounted, and, also, for the authorized number of officers' horses when serving in the field and at the outposts; of straw for soldiers' bedding, and of stationery, including company and other blank books for the army, certificates for discharged soldiers, blank forms, for the pay, and quarter-master's departments, and for the printing of division, and department orders, army regulations, and reports, eight hundred and ninety thousand dollars.

For the incidental expenses of the quarter-master's department, consisting of postage on letters and packets received and sent by officers of the army on public service; expenses of courts-martial and courts of inquiry, including the additional compensation to judge advocates, recorders, members, and witnesses, while on that service, under the act of March sixteenth, eighteen hundred and two; extra pay to soldiers employed, under the direction of the quarter-master's department, in the erection of barracks, quarters, storehouses, and hospitals; the construction of roads, and other constant labor, for periods of not less than ten days, under the acts of March second, eighteen hundred and nineteen, and August fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, including those employed as clerks at division, and department head-quarters; expenses of expresses to and from the frontier posts and armies in the field; of escorts to paymasters, other disbursing officers, and trains, when military escorts cannot be furnished; expenses of the interment of non-commissioned officers and soldiers; authorized office furniture; hire of laborers in the quarter-master's department, including hire of interpreters, spies, and guides, for the army; compensation of clerk to officers of the quarter-master's department; compensation of forage and wagon-masters, authorized by the act of July fifth, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight; for the apprehension of deserters, and the expenses incident to their pursuit; the various expenditures required for the first and second regiments of dragoons, the companies of light artillery, the regiment of mounted riflemen, and such companies of infantry as may be mounted, viz: for the

1802, ch. 9.

1819, ch. 45.

1854, ch. 247,
§ 6.

1838, ch. 102.

purchase of horse equipments, as saddles, bridles, saddle-blankets, nose-bags, iron combs, currycombs, and spurs, and straps; of travelling forges, blacksmiths' and shoeing tools, horse and mule shoes, iron and steel for shoeing, hire of veterinary surgeons, purchase of medicines for horses and mules, shoeing horses of mounted corps, and repairing dragoon and rifle equipments, three hundred and seventy-five thousand three hundred and sixty-eight dollars.

For constructing barracks and other buildings at posts, which it may be necessary to occupy during the year, and for repairing, altering, and enlarging buildings at the established posts, including hire or commutation of quarters for officers on military duty; hire of quarters for troops, of storehouses for the safekeeping of military stores, and of grounds for summer cantonments; for encampments and temporary frontier stations, four hundred and ninety thousand four hundred and fifty-eight dollars.

For mileage to officers of the army, for transportation of themselves and baggage when travelling on duty, without troops or escorts, one hundred thousand dollars.

For transportation of the army, including the baggage of the troops when moving either by land or water; of clothing, camp and garrison equipage, and horse equipments, from the depot at Philadelphia to the several posts and army depots; of subsistence from the places of purchase, and from the places of delivery under contract, to such places as the circumstances of the service may require it to be sent; of ordnance, ordnance stores and small arms, from the foundries and armories to the arsenals, fortifications, frontier posts, and army depots; freights, wharfage, tolls, and ferriages; for the purchase and hire of horses, mules and oxen, and the purchase and repair of wagons, carts, drays, ships and other sea-going vessels and boats for the transportation of supplies, and for garrison purposes; for drayage and cartage at the several posts; hire of teamsters; transportation of funds for the pay and other disbursing departments; the expense of sailing public transports on the various rivers, the Gulf of Mexico, and the Atlantic and Pacific; and for procuring water at such posts as from their situation require that it be brought from a distance, and for clearing roads and removing obstructions from roads, harbors, and rivers, to the extent which may be required for the actual operations of the troops on the frontier, one million two hundred thousand dollars.

For the purchase of horses for the first and second regiments of dragoons, the companies of light artillery, the mounted riflemen, and such infantry as the commanding officers at the frontier posts may find it necessary to mount, two hundred thousand dollars.

For contingencies of the army, six thousand dollars.

For the medical and hospital departments, fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of the adjutant-general's department, at division and department head-quarters, four hundred dollars.

For armament of fortifications, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

For ordnance, ordnance stores, and supplies, one hundred thousand dollars.

For the current expenses of the ordnance service, one hundred thousand dollars.

For the manufacture of arms at the national armories, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For repairs and improvements and new machinery at Harper's Ferry, thirty-two thousand six hundred and seventy-three dollars.

For repairs and improvements and new machinery at Springfield armory, fifty-four thousand dollars.

For new machinery at Harper's Ferry armory, twenty thousand dollars.

Barracks, &c.

Milenge.

Transportation.

Horses.

Contingencies.

Fortifications.

Ordnance.

Arms.

Armories and arsenals.

- Compensation of superintendents. For repairs, preservation, and contingencies of arsenals, fifty thousand dollars, and for continuing the construction of the arsenal at Benicia, California, forty thousand dollars. And it is hereby provided, that the annual compensation of the civil superintendents of the national armories be two thousand five hundred dollars, without perquisites, allowances, or additions of any kind, quarters excepted, and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.
- Surveys of lakes. For continuing the survey of the northern and northwestern lakes, including Lake Superior, fifty thousand dollars.
- Surveys. For surveys for military defences of the sea and inland frontier, fifteen thousand dollars.
- Books of tactics. For printing a new system of light infantry and rifle tactics, to be stereotyped, with engraved plates, and for procuring for distribution to the militia of the United States, books of tactical instruction, including the system of regulations now in course of preparation, thirty thousand dollars.
- Miscellaneous. For compensation of the clerk and messenger in the office of the commanding general, two thousand dollars.
- Arrearages. 1820, ch. 52. For contingent expenses of the office of the commanding general, three hundred dollars.
- Capitol extension. For arrearages prior to July first, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, payable through the office of the Third Auditor, under an act approved May the first, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, in addition to the balance undrawn in the treasury, two thousand dollars.
- Roads. For the Capitol extension, three hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.
- To complete the road from Point Douglass, on the Mississippi River, to the mouth of the St. Louis River, of Lake Superior, in Wisconsin, thirty-four thousand two hundred and thirteen dollars and fifty cents.
- To complete the road from Point Douglass to Fort Gaines, now Fort Ripley, thirteen thousand four hundred and ninety-four dollars and nine cents.
- To complete the road from Swan River to the Winnebago Agency, two thousand five hundred and thirty-five dollars and thirty-nine cents.
- To complete the road from Wabashaw to Mendota, thirteen thousand eight hundred and seventy-one dollars and seventy-six cents. The said road to be completed under the direction of the Secretary of War.
- To complete the road from Mendota to the Big Sioux River, twenty-seven thousand four hundred and seventy-five dollars and sixty-eight cents.
- That the sum of thirty-two thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, in the manner following, namely: Sixteen thousand dollars for the improvement of the road from Fort Union to Santa Fé; ten thousand dollars for the improvement of the road from Secalote to Albuquerque, via Canon Blanco and Canon Carnue; and six thousand dollars for the improvement of the road from Canada to Abiquea; all the said roads being in the Territory of New Mexico.
- Board established under act of 1852, ch. 110, § 6, abolished. SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the board of officers appointed under the sixth section of the act making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, approved August thirty-first, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, is hereby abolished: Provided, that it shall be lawful for the President of the United States to appoint, during the recess of Congress, such of the commissioned officers authorized by this act below the grade of field officer, as may not be appointed during the present session whose commissions shall expire on the first day of May, eighteen hundred and fifty-six.
- Appointment of officers authorized by this act.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of an act entitled "An act for the payment of the civil officers employed in the Territory of New Mexico, while under military government," approved July seventeenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, be, and the same are hereby, extended to embrace the case of Lieutenant-Colonel J. M. Washington, deceased, late of the army, for and during the period of his appointment and service as military governor of New Mexico, ex-officio superintendent of Indian affairs, and commander of the troops, prior to the formation of the civil government.

Claim of J. M. Washington.

1854, ch. 80.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the War Department, in the purchase and importation of camels and dromedaries, to be employed for military purposes.

Camels and dromedaries.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of the first section of the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one," approved September twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and fifty, granting extra pay to the officers and enlisted men of the army serving in Oregon and California, be extended to the officers and men composing the garrison of the post of Fort Laramie, on the Oregon route, for the same period of time as was allowed by the sixth section of the act [of] third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, to the officers and men of the two companies of regiment of mounted riflemen that garrisoned Fort Laramie; and that the provisions of the same section of the same act be also extended to the officers and men composing the escort to the Mexican boundary commission, while they were serving as such escort.

Extra pay to troops at Fort Laramie and to the escort of the Mexican boundary commission.

1850, ch. 78.

1853, ch. 98.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the laws granting extra pay to officers and soldiers who had served in California, apply to chaplains who were attached to the army in California during the period embraced by such laws.

Extra pay of chaplains in California.

1850, ch. 78.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the annual distribution of arms to the several States, under the act approved April twenty-third, eighteen hundred and eight, entitled "An act making provision for arming and equipping the whole body of the militia of the United States," shall be hereafter made according to the number of their representatives and senators in Congress, respectively; and that arms be distributed to the Territories and the District of Columbia, in such quantities and under such regulations as the President, in his discretion, may prescribe: *Provided*, That the Secretary of War shall first equalize, as far as practicable, the number of arms heretofore distributed and now in possession of the several States, so that each State which has received less than its pro rata share shall receive a number sufficient to make an equal pro rata proportion for all the States, according to the present number of their representatives and senators in Congress, respectively.

Distribution of arms to the States.

1808, ch. 55.

Proviso.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be added to the army two regiments of infantry and two regiments of cavalry, organized as in the existing force; and there shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one brigadier-general, and that the officers and men authorized by this act shall be entitled to the same provisions for wounds and disabilities, and the same provisions for widows and children, and the same allowances and benefits, in every respect, as are allowed to other troops composing the army of the United States. They shall be subject to the rules and articles of war, and the men shall be recruited in the same manner as other troops, and with the same conditions and limitations.

Additional regiments to be raised.

Ante, § 2.

Pensions.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That to enable the President of the United States to carry into effect the provisions of so much of this act as relates to the employment of an additional military force, such sum of money, not exceeding two millions five hundred thousand dollars, as

Appropriation for additional regiments.

may be necessary, be, and the same hereby is, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

March 3, 1855. CHAP. CLXX.—*An Act to appropriate Money to remove the Obstructions in the Savannah River, below the City of Savannah, in the State of Georgia.*

Appropriation to remove obstructions in the Savannah River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of one hundred and sixty-one thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money not heretofore appropriated, to remove the obstructions in the Savannah River, below the city of Savannah, in the State of Georgia, placed there during the revolutionary war, for the common defence.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

March 3, 1855. CHAP. CLXXI.—*An Act making Appropriations for Fortifications and other Works of Defence, and for Repairs of Barracks and Quarters, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated, for the construction, preservation, and repairs, of certain fortifications, barracks, and quarters, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

For Fort Montgomery, at outlet of Lake Champlain, New York, fifteen thousand dollars ;

For Fort Knox, at narrows of Penobscot River, Maine, sixty thousand dollars ;

For preservation of the site of Fort Warren, at the narrows of Boston harbor, Massachusetts, ten thousand dollars ;

For Fort Schuyler, entrance to Long Island Sound, New York, twenty-five thousand dollars ;

For Fort Richmond, at the narrows, New York harbor, seventy-five thousand dollars ;

For Fort Delaware, Delaware River, Delaware, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ;

For Fort Carroll, Baltimore harbor, Maryland, one hundred thousand dollars ;

For Fort Monroe, entrance to Hampton Roads, Virginia, fifty-five thousand dollars ;

For Fort Calhoun, entrance to Hampton Roads, Virginia, twenty thousand dollars.

For Fort Sumter, Charleston harbor, South Carolina, eighty thousand dollars ;

For Fort Clinch, entrance to Cumberland Sound, Florida, twenty-five thousand dollars ;

For Fort Barrancas, Pensacola harbor, Florida, thirty-thousand dollars ;

For Fort McRee, and preservation of its site, Florida, twenty-five thousand dollars ;

For Fort Gaines, Dauphin Island, Alabama, fifty thousand dollars ;

For Fort Taylor, Key West, Florida, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ;

For Fort Jefferson, Tortugas, Florida, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ;

For forts on the western frontier of Texas, fifty thousand dollars ;

For fortifications at Fort Point, entrance to San Francisco bay, California, three hundred thousand dollars ;

For fortifications at Alcatraz Island, San Francisco bay, California, two hundred thousand dollars ;