

For repairs of Fort Niagara, New York, six thousand dollars ;  
 For construction and repairs of quarters and barracks at Fort Columbus, New York harbor, twenty-six thousand five hundred dollars ;  
 For construction of an additional magazine for batteries Hudson and Morton, Staten Island, New York, five thousand dollars ;  
 For repairs of Fort Madison, Annapolis harbor, Maryland, ten thousand six hundred dollars ;  
 For repairs of Fort Moultrie, Charleston harbor, South Carolina, five thousand dollars ;  
 For repairs of Fort Jackson, Savannah River, Georgia, twenty thousand dollars ;  
 For repairs of Fort Macomb, Chef Menteur Pass, Louisiana, nine thousand five hundred dollars ;  
 For the extension of battery at Fort Jackson, Mississippi River, ten thousand dollars ;  
 For repairs of Fort St. Philip, Mississippi River, Louisiana, thirty-five thousand dollars ;  
 For contingent expenses of the fortifications not herein mentioned, the preservation of sites, the protection of titles, and repairs of sudden damages to forts, twenty thousand dollars.

Contingent.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

CHAP. CLXXII. — *An Act for the Construction of certain Military Roads 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 fifty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the construction of a road from Fort Riley to such point on the Arkansas River as may, in the opinion of the Secretary of War, be most expedient for military purposes.

Appropriations for roads.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the further sum of fifty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the construction of a road from Fort Riley to Bridger's Pass, in the Rocky Mountains. The said sums to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, in pursuance of contracts to be made by him.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

CHAP. CLXXIII. — *An Act further to amend the Act entitled "An Act to reduce and modify the Rates of Postages in the United States, and for other Purposes," passed March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one.*

March 3, 1855.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in lieu of the rates of postage now established by law, there shall be charged the following rates, to wit :—

Rates of postage.

For every single letter in manuscript, or paper of any kind in which information shall be asked for or communicated in writing, or by marks or signs, conveyed in the mail for any distance between places in the United States not exceeding three thousand miles, three cents ; and for any distance exceeding three thousand miles, ten cents.

And for a double letter there shall be charged double the rate above specified ; and for a treble letter, treble those rates ; and for a quadruple letter, quadruple those rates ; and every letter or parcel not exceeding half an ounce in weight shall be deemed a single letter ; and every additional weight of half an ounce, or additional weight of less than half an ounce, shall be charged with an additional single postage ; and upon all letters passing through or in the mail of the United States, excepting such as

All postage but foreign to be prepaid.