

hundred and fifty-four, with certain bands of Chasta, Scoton, and Umpqua Indians, thirty-five thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Rogue River Indians, per articles of fifteenth November, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For fulfilling the articles negotiated December twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, with certain bands of Indians of Puget's Sound Washington Territory, sixteen thousand five hundred dollars.

For fulfilling the articles negotiated January tenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, with certain confederated bands of Calapooia, Molala, and Clackamas Indians, of Oregon, sixty two thousand two hundred and sixty dollars.

For the increased pay of Indian agents and pay of additional agents authorized by the act passed the first March, eighteen hundred and fifty five, six thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Appropriation for pay of Indian agents.

For the increase of pay to Indian sub-agents, authorized by the act passed March first, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, one thousand three hundred and thirty-four dollars.

For pay of three Indian agents in California, per act twenty-eighth September, eighteen hundred and fifty, and act passed March first, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, twelve thousand dollars.

For expenses of the reconnoissance of the boundary line between the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians, one thousand dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Wyandott Indians of thirty-first January, eighteen hundred and fifty-five: *Provided*, That the appropriations made for said Indians by the Indian appropriation bill passed at this session of Congress are hereby repealed: one hundred and twenty-eight thousand five hundred and sixty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents.

Appropriation for Wyandots. Former appropriations repealed.

1855, ch. 204.

Arrearages to Choctaws.

For arrearages due the Choctaw Indians under various treaty stipulations, as per report on statement of the proper accounting officer of the treasury, transmitted by the Secretary of the Interior, in answer to a resolution of the Senate of the tenth March, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, to be paid over or expended for the benefit of the Choctaw nation, as may be requested by the authorized delegation thereof now in Washington, ninety-two thousand two hundred and fifty-eight dollars and fifty cents.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

CHAP. CXCVIII.—*An Act making Appropriations for the Naval Service, for the Year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.* 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, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six:—*

For pay of commission, warrant, and petty officers, and seamen, including the engineer corps of the navy, three million five hundred and fifteen thousand one hundred and eleven dollars: *Provided*, That the compensation of the chiefs of Bureau of Construction, Equipment, and Repair, and of Medicine and Surgery, be the same as now allowed to the other chiefs of bureaus of the Navy Department, and that the deficiency be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Pay of officers and seamen.

Salaries of chiefs of bureaus of construction, &c., and medicine, &c.

For pay of superintendents, naval constructors, and all the civil establishments at the several navy-yards and stations, one hundred and twenty-four thousand four hundred and eighty dollars. And such further sum as may be necessary for paying to the clerks and others in the Washington navy-yard the compensation authorized by the act approved April twenty-second, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.

Pay of civil establishment at navy-yards.

1854, ch. 52.

- That in lieu of two thousand dollars per annum, the maximum of compensation now allowed by law to navy agents, there shall be allowed two per centum commission on the first hundred thousand dollars, or under, disbursed by them; and one per centum on every succeeding one hundred thousand dollars, or under, disbursed by them, until the compensation reaches the sum of three thousand dollars per annum, which amount shall be the maximum of compensation for said agents: *Provided*, That the compensation named herein shall be in lieu of all extra compensation for services of every nature and description, rendered by navy agents, by order of the Navy Department, from and after the passage of this act. *And provided further*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to reduce the salary to which any navy agent is entitled under existing laws.
- Pay of navy agents.**
- Provisions.** For provisions for commission, warrant, and petty officers, and seamen, including engineers and marines attached to vessels for sea-service, six hundred and eighty-six thousand two hundred dollars.
- Pay of purser at Washington.** That the purser of the navy at Washington, District of Columbia, shall, from and after the passage of this act, receive the same pay as is now allowed by law to the pursers at the navy-yards at Boston, New York, Norfolk, and Pensacola: *Provided*, That when pursers of the navy shall be appointed inspectors of provisions, clothing, and small stores, they shall, while so acting, receive the same compensation as the pursers of the navy-yard to which they may be attached.
- Pay of pursers when acting as inspectors.**
- Medicines, &c.** For surgeons' necessaries and appliances for the sick and hurt of the navy, including the marine corps, thirty-four thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars.
- Ships and steamers.** For increase, repair, armament, and equipment of the navy, including the wear and tear of vessels in commission, fuel for steamers, and purchase of hemp for the navy, two million seven hundred and ninety-nine thousand five hundred dollars.
- Steam-frigates. 1854, ch. 32.** To continue the construction of the six steam frigates authorized to be built by an act of the first session of the thirty-third Congress, three million of dollars.
- Stevens's war-steamer. Ante, p. 101.** For Stevens's war-steamer, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Navy may, at his discretion, apply the said sum, in whole or in part, during the fiscal year ending thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and fifty-five.
- Arctic expedition.** To enable the Secretary of the Navy to carry into effect the "joint resolution respecting the Arctic expedition, commanded by Passed Assistant Surgeon, E. K. Kane," or so much thereof as may be necessary, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.
- Ordnance, &c.** For ordnance and ordnance stores and small arms, including incidental expenses, five hundred and forty thousand dollars.
- Nautical Almanac.** For preparing for publication the American Nautical Almanac, twenty thousand eight hundred and eighty dollars.
- Instruments, books, charts, &c.** For the purchase of nautical instruments required for the use of the navy, for repairs of the same, and also of astronomical instruments; and for the purchase of nautical books, maps, and charts, and for backing and binding the same, twenty-three thousand dollars.
- Printing.** For printing and publishing sailing directions, hydrographical survey, and astronomical observations, ten thousand dollars.
- Contingencies of hydrographical office.** For models, drawing and copying, postage, freight, and transportation, and for working lithographic press, including chemicals, for keeping grounds in order, for fuel and lights, and for all other contingent expenses of the hydrographical office and United States observatory, seven thousand six hundred dollars.
- Wind and current charts.** For continuing the publication of the series of wind and current charts, and for defraying all the expenses connected therewith, eighteen thousand dollars.

For the wages of persons employed at the observatory and hydrographical office, viz: one lithographer, one instrument maker, two watchmen, and one porter, three thousand one hundred and sixty dollars. Wages at observatory and hydrographical office.

To enable the Secretary of the Navy to pay the salary of Professor James P. Espy, for the current fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, two thousand dollars; the payment to be made in the same manner and under the like control as former appropriations for meteorological observations. James P. Espy.

For contingent expenses that may accrue for the following purposes, viz: Freight and transportation, printing and stationery, advertising in newspapers, books, maps, models, and drawings, purchase and repair of fire-engines and machinery, repairs of and attending to steam-engines in navy-yards, purchase and maintenance of horses and oxen, and driving teams, carts, timber-wheels, and the purchase and repairs of workmen's tools, postage of public letters, fuel, oil, and candles for navy-yards and shore stations, pay of watchmen, and incidental labor, not chargeable to any other appropriation, labor attending the delivery of stores on civil stations, wharfage, dockage, and rent, travelling expenses of officers and others under orders, funeral expenses, store and office rent, stationery, fuel, commissions and pay of clerks to navy-agents and storekeepers, flags, awnings, and packing-boxes, premiums and other expenses of recruiting, apprehending deserters, per diem pay to persons attending courts-martial and courts of inquiry, and other services authorized by law, pay to judges advocate, pilotage and towage of vessels and assistance to vessels in distress, bills of health, and quarantine expenses of the United States Navy in foreign ports, eight hundred and forty-two thousand and forty-eight dollars. Contingencies.

For repair of buildings for the necessary additions and repairs to the works for heating the buildings, and support of the Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Maryland, twenty-five thousand and forty-four dollars and twenty-two cents; Naval Academy.

For continuing the sea-wall along the northern water front of the academy grounds, grading, draining, and filling in low grounds, and for keeping the grounds in order, twenty-three thousand dollars.

For repainting, caulking, and for other repairs of the floating balance dry-dock, basin and railway, at the navy-yard, Pensacola, the sum of ten thousand dollars. Works at Pensacola.

And the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to receive the said works: *Provided*, That it shall appear from the certificates of the officers appointed by the government to superintend and direct in the construction thereof, that the same have been faithfully built according to the stipulations of the contract, and that a ship furnished by the contractors at their own expense, has been successfully docked and hauled on and off the land by the railway, of equal or greater weight and displacement than the ships by which the docks, basins, and railways at Philadelphia and Kittery were tested.

For construction, extension, and completion of the following objects, and for contingent expenses at the several navy-yards, viz: — Navy-yards.

*Portsmouth, New Hampshire.* — For completing cooper's shop and watchmen's quarters; dredging front of basin; dock basin; sewer and drainage; removing ledge back of timber shed; paving; flue boiler at smithery; repairs of floating-dock; for a new shell-house, for safe-keeping of shells; and repairs of all kinds, fifty-eight thousand two hundred and fifty-eight dollars. Portsmouth.

*Boston.* — For removing and altering coal-house at smithery; stone wall north side of timber-dock, and filling area around machine-shop and smithery; packing-house and cooperage; rebuilding dock-engine boiler-house; paving area around dry-dock; paving between sheds numbers thirty-one and thirty-three; extension of city sewer to sea-wall; finishing Boston.

coal-house at rope-walk; machinery for machine-shop and smithery; steam-engine and pump for rope-walk; completing the foundry, boiler, and machine-shop, and necessary tools for the same; and repairs of all kinds; two hundred and fifty-five thousand three hundred and twenty-two dollars.

New York.

*New York.* — For extension of smithery; machinery for smithery; carpenters' shop; oakum shop; quay wall; paving and flagging; dredging channels; timber and knee slip; dry-dock pavement; filling in low places and grading; oakum-picker; and completing the foundry, boiler, and machine-shop, and necessary tools for the same; three hundred and forty-five thousand nine hundred and forty-six dollars. For this sum required to pay amount due for iron work for engine-house, nine thousand five hundred dollars. For repairs of all kinds, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Philadelphia.

*Philadelphia.* — For adding sixty feet to ship-house F; roof of ship-house F; roof to ship-house G; wharf number four; dredging channels; repairs of dry-dock; and repairs of all kinds; sixty-six thousand seven hundred dollars.

Washington

*Washington.* — For ordnance building, completing cradle to marine railway; extension of boiler-shop; conversion of ordnance to machine-shop; forge-shop for new steam-hammer; shoring ways in ship-house T; lining walls of slip; pavements, drains, and gutters; grading and filling low places; raising roof of brass foundry; fire engine-house; dredging channels; reservoir for water; gas-pipes and fixtures; and repairs of all kinds; one hundred and ninety-two thousand three hundred and eighty-six dollars.

Norfolk.

*Norfolk.* — For continuing quay wall; reservoirs for rain-water; dredging channels; foundry; engine of dry dock; carpenters' work-shop; rail tracks and cars at St. Helena; scows, landing-cranes, and derricks; steam-boxes and boilers; pitch-house; completing the foundry, boiler, and machine-shops, and necessary tools for the same; and repairs of all kinds; three hundred and twenty-one thousand three hundred and seventeen dollars.

Pensacola.

*Pensacola.* — For permanent wharf, deep basin, and dredging; coping for basin; filling in and paving; and removing sunk caisson; paint shop and cooperage, (to complete;) repairs of cisterns numbers fourteen, twenty-five, and twenty-six; water-pipes to permanent wharf; guard-house at west gate; shell-house; lightning conductors; railway to spar-house; steam-box; fire engine-house; and repairs of all kinds; one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For repairs of officers' houses, number one to thirteen, rebuilding small stables, repairs of warrant officers' houses, guard-house, and building three kitchens, twelve thousand dollars.

Sackett's Harbor.

*Sackett's Harbor.* — For repairs of all kinds, two thousand dollars.

San Francisco.

*San Francisco.* — For completing storehouse; completing blacksmiths' shop; completing carpenters' shop; wharf; grading and levelling yard; houses for quarters; and repairs of all kinds; three hundred and forty-five thousand dollars.

For continuation of basin and railway, four hundred thousand dollars.

Hospitals.

For Hospitals:

Boston.

*At Boston, Massachusetts.* — For repairs of all kinds, six thousand dollars.

New York.

*At New York, New York.* — For enclosing wall; repairs of buildings and fences; grading and cemetery; machinery; labor and repairs of all kinds, nineteen thousand two hundred and seventy dollars.

Philadelphia.

*At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.* — For repairing lower floor of main building; improving wharf property; repairs to furnaces, grates, and rangers; gas, house-cleaning, and whitewashing; water rent; furniture, and repairs to same, and repairs of all kinds; seven thousand one hundred dollars.

- At Norfolk, Virginia.* — For repairs of hospital and dependencies, one thousand two hundred dollars. Norfolk.
- At Pensacola, Florida.* — For water-closets, lightning conductors, draining ponds, wall around burial-ground, and repairs of all kinds, nineteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight dollars. Pensacola.
- For Magazines:
- At Portsmouth, New Hampshire.* — For repairs of all kinds, five hundred dollars. Magazines.  
Portsmouth.
- At Boston, Massachusetts.* — For fire-proof building for loaded shells, house for unloaded shells and workshop, platforms for stowing shot, addition to storehouse for gun-carriages, and for repairs of all kinds, twenty-two thousand dollars. Boston.
- At New York, New York.
- For gunner's house, at Ellis's Island, machinery, and fitting-room for its use, gun-carriage shop, building for stowing gun-carriages, fire-proof building for loaded shells, building for unloaded shells, shot platforms, stowage, and transportation of guns, and for repairs of all kinds, one hundred and ten thousand dollars. New York.
- At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- For a fire-proof building for loaded shells, purchase of land, magazine, and keeper's house, and fitting-room for ordnance stores, twenty thousand dollars. Philadelphia.
- At Washington, District of Columbia.
- For a cap machine, (Wright's patent,) rebuilding experimental battery, and fuel for ordnance foundry, nine thousand five hundred dollars. Washington.
- At Norfolk, Virginia.
- For fitting up storehouse for filling, shot platforms, and gun-skids, ten thousand dollars. Norfolk.
- At Pensacola, Florida.
- For a fire-proof house for loaded shells, fitting-room for ordnance stores, gun-skids, shot platforms, and repairs of magazines, eight thousand dollars. Pensacola.
- Marine Corps.* — For pay of the officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, clerks, messengers, stewards, and servants; for rations and clothing for servants, subsistence and additional rations for five years' service of officers; for undrawn clothing and rations, bounties for reenlistments, and pay for unexpired terms of previous service, three hundred and twenty-three thousand two hundred and thirty-three dollars and ninety-four cents. Marine corps.
- For provisions for marines serving on shore, forty thousand nine hundred and thirty-four dollars and seventy-five cents.
- For clothing, fifty-five thousand two hundred and sixty-four dollars.
- For fuel, twenty thousand one hundred and eighty dollars and sixty-two cents.
- For military stores, repairs of arms, pay of armorer; for accoutrements, ordnance stores, flags, drums, fifes, and musical instruments; nine thousand dollars.
- For transportation of officers and troops, and expenses of recruiting, twelve thousand dollars.
- For repairs of barracks, and rent of temporary barracks and offices, eight thousand dollars.
- For contingencies, viz: Freight, ferriage, cartage, and wharfage; compensation to judges advocate; per diem for attending courts-martial and courts of inquiry; for constant labor, house-rent in lieu of quarters, burial of deceased marines, printing, advertising, stationery, forage, postage, pursuit of deserters, candles, oil, straw, furniture, bed-sacks, spades, shovels, axes, picks, and carpenters' tools, expense of a horse for messenger, pay of matron, washerwomen, and porter for the hospital at headquarters, thirty-one thousand five hundred dollars.

Bridge at Kittery, Maine.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to permit the Seavy's Island Bridge Company to connect with the navy-yard at Kittery, Maine, a bridge extending thereto from said Seavy's Island, at such point thereon as he shall direct, and may permit a right of way through said yard from said bridge in such direction and under such regulations as the commandant of the yard for the time being shall establish, under the authority of the Navy Department: *Provided,* That no expense whatever in connecting said bridge with said yard, or making said way across the same, shall be incurred by the United States; and said bridge and said right of way may at any time be discontinued by the Secretary of the Navy.

Clerks in naval astronomical expedition.

For two clerks, or assistants, employed from the commencement of the present fiscal year, in the United States naval astronomical expedition, to be paid as the first or lowest class of clerks, deducting the present rate of compensation, fourteen hundred dollars.

Salary of surveyor of customs at Cairo.

For their compensation for the next fiscal year, twenty-four hundred dollars, or at that rate so long as they may be necessarily employed. And that the salary of the surveyor of customs at the port of Cairo, Illinois, shall be eight hundred dollars per annum, instead of the sum now allowed by law.

Marine hospital at Galena.

For the erection of a marine hospital at Galena, Illinois, fifteen thousand dollars.

Right of way granted at Pensacola for a railroad.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the right of way, one hundred feet in width, through the lands reserved west of the navy-yard, Pensacola, be, and the same is hereby, granted to Jasper Strong, George Terrill, and their associates, for the construction of a railroad from the Perdido River, on the most direct and practicable route, to the waters of Pensacola Bay, and the use of any timber, or other materials along the route of said road, and within a half a mile on each side thereof, which may be necessary in the construction thereof; and at the terminus of said road on Pensacola Bay, the said Strong, Terrill, and their associates shall have the privilege of erecting a wharf and of establishing a depot for lumber, and other articles, not more than one acre in extent: *Provided,* said road shall be constructed on such line, and the terminus be at such point on Pensacola Bay, as shall be approved by the Navy Department: *And provided, further,* That this act shall not be so construed as to authorize said Strong, Terrill, and their associates, to use or destroy any timber which the Navy Department may direct to be preserved for navy purposes: *And provided, further,* That, in the opinion of the Secretary of Navy, the privileges conferred by this act will not be prejudicial to the public interest, or public property.

Another grant for same purpose.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That a like privilege, in every respect, to the grant herein made to Jasper Strong, George Terrill, and their associates, be, and the same is hereby, granted to James Herron, of Escambia county, and his associates, for the construction of a railroad from his steam saw and grist mills, on the Perdido River, through the government lands west of the navy-yard, to the Bay of Pensacola.

Pay of boatswains, &c., not to be reduced by act of 1864, ch. 268.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the fifth section of the "Act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-five," approved August fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, shall not be so construed as in any case to reduce the pay of the Boatswains, Carpenters, Sailmakers, and Gunners of the navy, from the passage of said act.

Lieutenant Rodman's plan for casting cannon hollow, to be tested.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That the sum of six thousand dollars be, and is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of continuing experiments in testing Lieutenant Rodman's plan of casting cannon hollow, so as to effect the cooling of the mass from the interior instead of the exterior.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the salary of the assistant astronomer at the National Observatory, shall hereafter be two thousand five hundred dollars. Salary of assistant astronomer.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six:— Appropriations for transporting the mails by steamboats.

For transportation of the mails from New York to Liverpool, and back, eight hundred and nineteen thousand five hundred dollars.

For transportation of the mails from New York to New Orleans, Charleston, Savannah, Havana, and Chagres, and back, two hundred and sixty-one thousand dollars.

For transportation of the mails from Panama to California, and Oregon, and back, three hundred and twenty-eight thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For carrying out the contract entered into by the Post-Office Department, under the provisions of the act approved thirtieth August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, establishing a tri-monthly mail by steam-vessels, between New Orleans and Vera Cruz, via Tampico, sixty-nine thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated, for the service of the Post-Office Department, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, out of any moneys in the treasury arising from the revenues of said department, in conformity to the act of the second July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six:— Transportation of mails.  
1836, ch. 270.

For transportation of the mails, in two steamships, from New York, by Southampton, to Bremen, and back, at one hundred thousand dollars for each ship; and in two steamships, from New York, by Cowes, to Havre, and back, at seventy-five thousand dollars for each ship, under the contract with the Ocean Steam Navigation Company of New York, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Bremen and Havre line.

For transportation of the mails between Charleston and Havana, a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. From Charleston to Havana.

For transportation of the mails across the Isthmus of Panama, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Isthmus of Panama.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated, to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year, ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, namely:— Deficiency appropriation for transportation of mails in steamboats.

For transportation of the mails from New York to Liverpool, and back, five hundred and fifty-nine thousand two hundred and thirty-eight dollars and sixty-five cents.

For transportation of the mails from New York to New Orleans, Charleston, Savannah, Havana, and Chagres, and back, two hundred and two thousand three hundred and seventy-eight dollars and twenty-one cents.

For transportation of the mails from Panama to California and Oregon, and back, two hundred and forty-nine thousand two hundred and forty-two dollars and two cents.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated, for the service of the Post-Office Department, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, out of any moneys in the treasury arising from the revenues of said department, in conformity to the act of the second of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty [thirty] six:— Same subject.  
1836, ch. 270.

For transportation of the mails, in two steamships, from New York, by Southampton, to Bremen, and back, at one hundred thousand dollars

for each ship; and in two steamships from New York, by Cowes, to Havre, and back, at seventy-five thousand dollars for each ship, under the contract with the Ocean Steam Navigation Company of New York, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For transportation of the mails between Charleston and Havana, under the contract with M. C. Mordecai, fifty thousand dollars.

Isthmus of Panama.

For the transportation of the mails across the Isthmus of Panama, one hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

March 3, 1855. CHAP. CXCIX.—*An Act to organize an Institution for the Insane of the Army and Navy, and of the District of Columbia, in the said District.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the title of the institution shall be the Government Hospital for the Insane, and its objects shall be the most humane care and enlightened curative treatment of the insane of the army and navy of the United States, and of the District of Columbia.

Government hospital for the insane.  
Its object.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That nine citizens of the District of Columbia, to be appointed by the President of the United States, shall constitute a Board of Visitors of the said hospital. The term of office of three of the nine visitors shall expire [the] thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and biennially thereafter on the same day of the year, when they shall be reappointed, or three other citizens appointed in their stead. The order in which the terms of office of the first nine appointees shall expire shall be determined by lot; and should any vacancy occur by death, resignation, or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term of such visitor. The Board of Visitors, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, may make any needful by-laws for the government of themselves and of the superintendent, and his employees, and of the patients, not inconsistent with this act, nor with the Constitution and laws of the United States; they shall visit the hospital at stated periods, and exercise so careful a supervision over its expenditures and general operations, that the government and community may have confidence in the correctness of its management; they shall make annually to the Secretary of the Interior a report for the preceding year ending June thirtieth, setting forth the condition and wants of the institution. The Board shall elect one of their number president, who shall preside at their meetings for one year, or till a successor is elected. The office of visitor shall be honorary and without compensation.

Board of visitors.

Their power and duties.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the chief executive officer of the institution shall be a superintendent, to be appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, and to receive a salary of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum. The superintendent shall be a well-educated physician, possessing competent experience in the care and treatment of the insane; he shall reside on the premises, and devote his whole time to the welfare of the institution; he shall, subject to the approval of the visitors, engage and discharge all needful and usual employees in the care of the insane, and all laborers on the farm, and determine their wages and duties; he shall be the responsible disbursing agent of the institution, and shall be ex officio secretary of the Board of Visitors; and he shall give bond for the faithful performance of his duties, in such sum and with such securities as may be required by the Secretary of the Interior.

Superintendent.

Salary.

Duties.

Reception of insane on order.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the order of the Secretary of War, and that of the Secretary of the Navy, shall authorize the superintendent to receive insane persons belonging to the army and navy, respectively, and keep them in custody till they are cured, or removed by the same authority which ordered their reception.