States and to that of the captors, and if seized by a collector, surveyor, or marshal, then to the use of the United States, after due process and trial, in like manner as is provided in section four of the act to which this act is supplementary, which section is hereby made in all respects applicable to cases arising under this act.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States be, and hereby is, authorized to instruct the commanders of the public armed vessels of the United States, and to authorize the commanders of any other armed vessels sailing under the authority of any letters of marque and reprisal granted by the Congress of the United States, or the commanders of any other suitable vessels, to subdue, seize, take, and, if on the high seas, to send into any port of the United States any vessel or boat built, purchased, fitted out, or held, as in the first section of this act mentioned.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the collectors of the several ports of entry, the surveyors of the several ports of delivery, and the marshals of the several judicial districts within the United States be and are hereby authorized and required to seize any and all vessels or boats built, purchased, fitted out, or held as aforesaid, which may be found within their respective ports or districts, and to cause the same to be proceeded against and disposed of as herebefore provided.

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Chap. XLIX.—An Act to reduce Consular Fees for Vessels running to or between Foreign Ports.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That American vessels running regularly by weekly or monthly trips, or otherwise, to or between foreign ports, shall not be required to pay fees to consuls for more than four trips in a year, anything in the law or regulations respecting consular fees to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he hereby is, authorized to cause to be enlisted in the navy of the United States, for the term of three years, or during the war, such number of able seamen, ordinary seamen, and boys, as he may judge necessary and proper, to place the entire navy of the United States, and all vessels that may be added to it, in a state of the utmost efficiency for active service.

Approved, August 5, 1861.

Chap. LII.—An Act making further Appropriation for the Support of the Naval Service for the Year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, 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 sum of thirty thousand dollars be, and the same is, hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the completion of the coal depot at Key West, Florida, and repairs of the wharf belonging to the same.

For the completion of the marine barracks at Charleston, Massachusetts, twelve thousand dollars.

For the purchase of the right to manufacture and use Coston's night signals, twenty thousand dollars: Provided, That the full right to manu-

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facture and use the same can be purchased at a price not exceeding that sum.

For the purchase of ordnance for the use of the navy, three hundred thousand dollars.

Ordinance.

For repairing the quarters and outbuildings at Fort Abercrombie, seven thousand dollars.

Fort Abercrombie.

For collecting, drilling, and organizing volunteers, under the acts authorizing the President to accept the services of five hundred thousand men, twenty millions of dollars.

Volunteers.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to change the names of any vessels purchased for the use of the Navy Department by authority of law, and they shall be thereafter known by the names so given them by virtue of this act.

SECRETARY OF NAVY MAY CHANGE THE NAMES OF PURCHASED VESSELS.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That there be, and hereby is, appropriated, in like manner, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, for the construction and equipment of gunboats for service on the Western rivers.

GUNBOATS FOR WESTERN RIVERS.

APPROVED, August 5, 1861.

CHAP. LII. — An Act making Appropriation to pay the Expenses of the Investigating Committee of the House of Representatives and Senate appointed the first Session of the Thirty-seventh Congress, and of the Commission authorized to examine and report as to the Compensation of all Officers of the Government.

Appropriation for expenses of investigating committees.

Appropriation for expenses of investigating committees.

How drawn and disbursed.

APPROVED, August 5, 1861.

CHAP. LIII. — An Act authorizing the Construction of twelve small Side-wheel Steamers.

Twelve small side-wheel steamers.

Appropriation.

APPROVED, August 5, 1861.

CHAP. LIV. — An Act making Appropriations for Fortifications and for other Purposes.

Appropriations for fortifications.

When commissioned officers tendering resignations, to be treated as deserters.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That any commissioned officer of the army, navy, or marine corps, who, having tendered his resignation, shall, prior to due notice of the acceptance of the same by the proper authority, and without leave, quit his post or proper duties with the intent to remain