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.

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

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.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and be 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.

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.

APPROVED, AUGUST 5, 1861.

CHAP. LII.—An Act making Appropriation to pay the Expenses of the Investigating Committees 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.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and hereby is, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of ten thousand dollars, to pay the expenses of the investigating committees of the Senate and House of Representatives appointed at the first session of the Thirty-seventh Congress, and also the expenses of the commission authorized to examine and report as to the compensation of all officers of the Government; said sum of money to be drawn from the Treasury as part of the contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, and to be disbursed in the mode provided by law for such expenses.

APPROVED, AUGUST 5, 1861.

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

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 shall cause to be constructed, with the least possible delay, twelve small side-wheel steamers, for the use of the navy of the United States, of light draught and great speed; and that for the purpose aforesaid twelve hundred thousand dollars be, and the same hereby is, appropriated.

APPROVED, AUGUST 5, 1861.

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

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for contingencies of fortifications, to be used and applied under the direction of the Secretary of War.

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