person who shall have volunteered or been drafted for the service of the United States for the term of nine months, or a shorter period, may enlist into a regiment from the same state to serve for the term of one year, and any person so enlisting shall be entitled to and receive a bounty of fifty dollars, to be paid in time and manner provided by the act of July twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, for the payment of the bounty provided for by that act.

SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That the officers of the medical department shall unite with the line officers of the army under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War, in supervising the cooking within the same as an important sanitary measure, and that said medical department shall promulgate to its officers such regulations and instructions as may tend to insure the proper preparation of the ration of the soldier.

SEC. 9. And be it further enacted, That cooks shall be detailed, in turn, from the privates of each company of troops in the service of the United States, at the rate of one cook for each company numbering less than thirty men, and two cooks for each company numbering over thirty men, who shall serve ten days each.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be enlisted, for each cook, two under-cooks of African descent, who shall receive for their full compensation ten dollars per month, and one ration per day — three dollars of said monthly pay may be in clothing.

SEC. 11. And be it further enacted, That the army ration shall hereafter include pepper, in the proportion of four ounces to every hundred rations.

SEC. 12. And be it further enacted, That the increase of rank of officers, and in the number of officers provided for in this act, shall continue only during the existence of the present rebellion; and thereafter the several officers promoted under this act shall have the respective rank they would have had if this act had not passed, and the number shall be reduced by the President to the number authorized by law prior to the passage of this act.

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the coast of the United States, (including compensation of civilians employed in the work,) four thousand dollars.

For repairs of steamers and sailing schooners used in the coast survey, four thousand dollars.

For pay and rations of engineers for four steamers used in the hydrography of the coast survey, no longer supplied by the Navy Department, nine thousand dollars.

For supplying deficiency in the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, one hundred thousand dollars.

For the discharge of such miscellaneous claims, not otherwise provided for, as shall be admitted in due course of settlement at the treasury, ten thousand dollars.

_Light-House Establishment._ — For the Atlantic, Gulf, and Lake coasts, viz: —

For supplying the light-houses and beacon-lights with oil, wicks, glass chimneys, and other necessary expenses of the same, repairing and keeping in repair the lighting apparatus, one hundred and fifty-four thousand six hundred and ninety-eight dollars and eighty cents.

For repairs and incidental expenses, refitting and improving all the light-houses and buildings connected therewith, one hundred and two thousand two hundred dollars.

For salaries of five hundred and ninety-six keepers of light-houses and light-beacons, and their assistants, fifty-three thousand one hundred and ninety-three dollars and thirty-three cents.

For salaries of forty-three keepers of light-vessels, three thousand nine hundred dollars.

For seamen's wages, repairs, supplies, and incidental expenses of forty-five light-vessels, one hundred and seventy thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven dollars and seventy cents.

For expenses of raising, cleaning, painting, repairing, remooring, and supplying losses of beacons and buoys, and for chains and sinkers for the same, one hundred and twelve thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For expenses of visiting and inspecting lights and other aids to navigation, two thousand dollars.

For the purchase of a lot and erection of a suitable building thereon for the light-house establishment in New York City or vicinity, fifty thousand dollars: Provided, That the price of purchase of lot, and erection of building thereon, shall not exceed the sum hereby appropriated.

_For the Coasts of California, Oregon, and Washington._ — For supplying nineteen light-houses and beacon-lights with oil, glass chimneys, chamois skins, polishing powder, and other cleaning materials, transportation, expenses of keeping lamps and machinery in repair, publishing notices to mariners of changes of aids to navigation, seventeen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For salaries of forty-three keepers and assistant-keepers of light-houses, at an average not exceeding eight hundred dollars per annum, twenty-five thousand eight hundred dollars.

For expenses of raising, cleaning, painting, repairing, remooring, and supplying losses of floating buoys and beacons, and for chains and sinkers for the same, and for coloring and numbering all the buoys, ten thousand dollars.

For maintenance of the vessel provided for by the act of eighteenth August, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, for transportation of supplies and materials, and for repairs of light-houses, and buoy service, and for inspection purposes, twenty thousand dollars.

For compensation of two inspectors of customs acting as superintend-
ents for the life-saving stations on the coasts of Long Island and New Jersey, three thousand dollars.

For compensation of fifty-four keepers of stations, at two hundred dollars each, ten thousand eight hundred dollars.

**Public Buildings and Grounds.** — For support, care, and medical treatment of forty transient paupers, medical and surgical patients in some proper medical institution in the city of Washington, to be selected by the Commissioner of Public Buildings, six thousand dollars.

For hire of carts on the public grounds, two thousand dollars.

For purchase and repair of tools used in the public grounds, two hundred dollars.

For purchase of trees and tree-boxes, to replace when necessary such as have been planted by the United States, to whitewash tree-boxes and fences, and to repair pavements in front of the public grounds, three thousand dollars.

For annual repairs of the Capitol, water-closets, public stables, water-pipes, pavements, and other walks within the Capitol square, broken glass, and locks, and for the protection of the building, and keeping the main approaches to it unencumbered, eight thousand dollars.

For annual repairs of the President's House and furniture, improvement of grounds, purchase of plants for garden, and contingent expenses incident thereto, six thousand dollars.

For fuel, in part, of the President's House, two thousand four hundred dollars.

For lighting the Capitol and President's House, the public grounds around them, and around the executive offices, and Pennsylvania avenue, Bridge and High streets in Georgetown, Four-and-a-half street, Seventh, and Twelfth streets across the mall, sixty-two thousand dollars.

To enable the Commissioner of Public Buildings to erect two new furnaces under the rotunda of the Capitol, two under the old Hall of the House, and two under the Supreme Court room and vestibule to the same, five thousand five hundred dollars.

For repairs of the Potomac, navy yard, and upper bridges, and the roads appurtenant thereto, and to repair the house occupied by the bridge-keeper at the navy yard, and to erect a wing wall to protect the same, eleven thousand five hundred and eighty-five dollars.

For repairs of Pennsylvania avenue, six thousand dollars.

For public reservation number two and Lafayette square, two thousand dollars.

For taking care of the grounds south of the President's House, containing [continuing] the improvement of the same, and replacing trees destroyed last winter and spring by United States cavalry, repairing fences, and other injuries, two thousand dollars.

For repairs of water-pipes, five hundred dollars.

For cleaning out the sewer-traps on Pennsylvania avenue and repairing the same, three hundred dollars.

For casual repairs of all the furnaces under the Capitol, five hundred dollars.

For continuing the repairs of Delaware avenue north of the Capitol, one thousand dollars.

For removing back the fence, paving the foot-path on First street between the Capitol grounds and Botanic garden, and making a pavement on Third street on the side of said garden, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For making improvements provided for in the thirteenth section of the city charter, per act of May seventeen, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, five thousand dollars.

For improvement of B street south from Sixth to Seventh street west, Maine avenue from the canal to Sixth street west, and Four-and-a
half, east side, from Missouri to Maine avenue, all bordering on the public
grounds, according to the surveyor’s estimate, six thousand nine hundred
and forty dollars.

For repairs and rebuilding fence around Smithsonian grounds, two
thousand dollars.

For compensation to the Commissioner of Public Buildings, as dis-
bursing agent of the Patent-Office building and the Capitol extension and
dome, for the current fiscal year, five hundred dollars.

Government Hospital for the Insane. — For the support, clothing, and
medical treatment of the insane of the army and navy and of the revenue
service, and of the District of Columbia, at the Government hospital in
said District, including five hundred dollars for books, stationery, and in-
cidental expenses, fifty thousand five hundred dollars.

For finishing, furnishing, heating, and lighting of additional accom-
dmodations in the east wing, five thousand dollars.

For extension of workshops and machinery therefor, to afford additional
facilities for the curative and economical employment of patients, two
thousand dollars.

For continuation of the wall enclosing the grounds of the hospital, ten
thousand dollars.

Exploring Expedition. — For preservation of the collections of the
exploring and surveying expeditions of the Government, four thousand
dollars.

Botanic Garden. — For grading, draining, procuring manure, tools,
fuel, and repairs, purchasing trees and shrubs under the direction of
Library Committee of Congress, three thousand three hundred dol-
lars.

For pay of horticulturist and assistants in the botanic garden and green-
houses, to be expended under the direction of the Library Committee
of Congress, five thousand one hundred and twenty-one dollars and fifty
cents.

Columbia Institution for the Deaf, and Dumb, and the Blind. — For
deaf, dumb,
salaries and incidental expenses of said institution, four thousand four and blind.
hundred dollars.

For supplying the institution buildings with gas-making apparatus and
fixtures, one thousand four hundred and seventy dollars.

For supplying the institution buildings with steam-heating apparatus,
two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

Patent-Office. — For expenses of receiving, arranging, and taking care
of copyright books, charts, and other copyright matter, one thousand
eight hundred dollars.

For preparing illustrations and descriptions for report, five thousand
dollars.

For finishing the saloon in the north wing of the Patent-Office build-
ing, and for furnishing the same with suitable cases and accommodations
for the reception and convenient exhibition of models, fifty thousand dol-
lars.

For repairing and painting the saloon in the old portion of the Patent-
Office building, and for furnishing the same with suitable cases and accom-
dmodations for the inception [reception] and convenient exhibition of
models, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Survey of the Public Lands. — For surveying the public lands, (ex-
cclusive of California, Oregon, Washington, New Mexico, Kansas, Ne-
braska, Utah, Dakota, Colorado, and Nevada,) including incidental
expenses and island surveys in the interior, and all other special and
difficult surveys demanding augmented rates, to be apportioned and ap-
plied to the several surveying districts, according to the exigencies of the
public service, in addition to the unexpended balances of all former appro-
priations for the same objects, ten thousand dollars.
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California and Nevada.
For surveying the public lands and private land claims in California and Territory of Nevada, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Kansas and Nebraska.
For surveying the public lands in Kansas and Nebraska, fifteen thousand dollars.

Oregon.
For surveying the public lands in Oregon, ten thousand dollars.

Washington Territory.
For surveying the public lands in Washington Territory, five thousand dollars.

Colorado.
For surveying the public lands in the Territory of Colorado, five thousand dollars.

Nevada.
For salaries and commissions of register and receiver for the Territory of Nevada for fiscal years ending thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, and thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, two thousand five hundred dollars; expenses for depositary during said periods, two hundred dollars.

For incidental expenses, furniture, iron safes, fifteen hundred dollars.

Colorado. For salaries and commissions of register and receiver for the Territory of Colorado for the fiscal years ending thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, and thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, two thousand five hundred dollars; expenses for depositary for said periods, two hundred dollars.

For incidental expenses, furniture, iron safes, fifteen hundred dollars.

Inspection office, navy yard, New York.
For purchase and fitting up of coffee-roaster, cooler and mill, in the inspection office of provisions and clothing, navy yard, New York, one thousand one hundred and sixty-seven dollars and forty cents.

For completion of the court-house at Indianapolis, five thousand dollars.

Capitol extension.
For continuing the work on the Capitol extension, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Capitol police.
For payment of arrearages to Capitol police due under act of April twenty-second, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, nine thousand five hundred dollars.

For incidental expenses of the Capitol police, five hundred dollars.

Census in Dakota.
To defray the expenses incurred in taking the census of the Territory of Dakota, one thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

For defraying the expenses of taking the census of the Territory of Nevada, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For defraying the expenses of taking the census in the Territory of Colorado, three thousand two hundred and sixty-two dollars and sixty-eight cents.

For the purchase of a Territorial library for the Territories of Colorado, Dakota, and Nevada, two thousand five hundred dollars each.

Territory of Arizona.
For salaries of Governor, three Judges, Secretary, and Superintendent of Indian Affairs, fourteen thousand dollars.

For contingent expenses of said Territory, one thousand dollars.

For interpreter and translator in the executive office, five hundred dollars.

For compensation and mileage of the members of the legislative assembly, office[r]s, clerks, and contingent expenses, eighteen thousand dollars.

For incidental expenses of the Indian service in the Territory of Arizona, and for presents of goods, clothing, and other useful articles to the Indians, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, ten thousand dollars.

For surveying the public lands in the Territory of Arizona, five thousand dollars.
To pay Jacob F. Kautz for work on the survey of the United States and California boundary from September first, eighteen hundred and sixty, to April thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, one thousand dollars.

To pay W. H. Shultz for services on United States and California boundary survey from October one, eighteen hundred and sixty, to March thirty-one, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, four hundred and fifty dollars.

To enable the Secretary of the Interior to pay detective police, employed by a former head of the Department, for expenses incurred and services rendered in the cities of Washington and Philadelphia, in the detection and arrest of counterfeiters of United States coin, there shall be and hereby is transferred to the Department of the Interior, from the appropriation by the act of Congress "making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of Government for the year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-one," approved June twenty-three, eighteen hundred and sixty, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, so much thereof, not exceeding eleven hundred and eighty-four dollars, as may be necessary for that purpose: Provided, That if the unexpended portion of the appropriation aforesaid be not sufficient to allow of the transfer aforesaid, then, and in that case, the amount aforesaid shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

For the continuation of the treasury building, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For repairing the Government warehouses, wharves, and fences at Staten Island, fifteen thousand dollars.

For annual repairs of custom-houses and marine hospitals, twenty thousand dollars.

To complete the alterations in the office of the assistant treasurer at New York, authorized by the act of July eleventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, fifty thousand dollars.

For detection and bringing to trial persons engaged in counterfeiting the coin of the United States, Treasury notes, and other United States securities, twenty-five thousand dollars.

To reimburse J. L. Vattier, late postmaster at Cincinnati, for balance expended and paid upon Government post-office at Cincinnati, seventeen hundred dollars.

To complete the compilation of the last census, fifty thousand dollars.

For pay of the United States commissioner and surveyor, and for transportation and other expenses attending the examination of coasts, and for the making of the final chart showing boundary lines established by the commissioner jointly under the reciprocity treaty with Great Britain, seven thousand dollars.

For repair of the pier at Kenosha, Wisconsin, and rebuilding the beacon-light thereon, seven thousand six hundred and forty dollars.

For the erection of two lights near the mouth of Maumee River and Maumee Bay, ten thousand dollars: Provided, That the Light-house Board shall determine that there exists a necessity for such lights.

For the establishment of a series of range lights as aids to navigation at Port Royal harbor, South Carolina, seven thousand dollars.

For establishing a fog-bell at or near Sandy Point light-house, Chesapeake bay, one thousand dollars.

For building a beacon-light at Ediz Hook, Port Angelos harbor, Washington Territory, five thousand dollars.

For expenses incurred under directions of the Governor, Chief Justice, and Marshal of the Territory, in fitting up a Territorial prison at Denver, in the Territory of Colorado, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, five thousand dollars.
For pay of the United States District Judge for the western district of Michigan, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For pay of Marshal same district, two hundred dollars.

For pay of District Attorney same district, two hundred dollars.

**SEC. 2. And be it further enacted,** That the current expenses for the year ending thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, for the Denver Branch Mint be authorized to be paid out of the unexpended balance of the appropriation of seventy-five thousand dollars made for the establishment and current expenses of said mint by act of Congress approved April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

**SEC. 3. And be it further enacted,** That mileage, as now allowed by law to Senators, Representatives, and Delegates shall be paid for the present session by the proper officer of the treasury, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, as soon as certified by the presiding officer of each House.

For lighting Maryland avenue west, Sixth street south, with gas, made necessary by the occupancy of that street by Government railroad, thereby endangering the lives of citizens in the night, fifteen thousand dollars.

For alteration of steps and improvement to the entrance of the custom-house at Boston, Massachusetts, twelve thousand nine hundred and four dollars.

For repair of culvert on New Jersey avenue, near the Capitol, five hundred dollars.

For the purchase of books of tactics and instructions for the armies of the United States, fifty thousand dollars.

To defray expenses incurred in the raising, equipping, transportation, and subsistence of minute-men and volunteers in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky, to repel rebel raids, six hundred thousand dollars, to be settled upon proper vouchers, to be filed and passed upon by the proper accounting officers of the treasury: Provided, That in determining the claims to be allowed under this act the same principles, rules, and regulations shall be observed by the accounting officers in auditing said expenses as have been applied to the claims allowed to States, under the act approved July twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, entitled “An act to indemnify the States for expenses incurred by them in defence of the United States.”

For additional compensation to the publishers of the Statutes at Large, four thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

To enable the Secretary of the Interior to purchase of Messrs. Little, Brown and Company, two thousand copies of the twelfth volume of the United States Statutes at Large, for distribution agreeably to the act of Congress directing the distribution of the other volumes, seven thousand dollars.

For compensation of the receiver at Santa Fé, New Mexico, acting as depositary, two thousand dollars.

For four laborers employed by the Commissioner of Public Buildings in the Capitol, (heretofore authorized by special appropriation,) two thousand four hundred dollars.

For new roof to Congressional Library, three thousand five hundred dollars.

To supply deficiency in the appropriations for Agricultural Bureau, for
the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-three,
twenty thousand dollars.

To supply deficiency in the appropriation for rent, fitting up, and fur-
nishing of the rooms temporarily provided for the use of the Quarter-
master-General's Department, including stationery and miscellaneous
items, for the current fiscal year, six thousand six hundred and eighty-
four dollars.

For the Mississippi squadron, building, repairs, equipment, machinery,
three million eight hundred thousand dollars; increase on cost of mate-
rials, five hundred and eighty thousand dollars; completion of armored-
clad vessels, four million five hundred thousand dollars.

For contingent fund of the Bureau of Yards and Docks for eighteen
hundred and sixty-two and three, three hundred thousand dollars.

For enlarging hospital at marine barracks, Washington, and construct-
ing sewer to Eastern Branch, nine thousand and fifty dollars.

For deficiencies of appropriations in the Navy Department for the fiscal
year ending thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, as follows,
VIZ:

For increase and repairs of the navy: completion of side-wheel steam-
ers, hulls, equipment, and machinery, two million eight hundred thousand
dollars.

Completion of screw steamers, hulls, equipment, and machinery, one
million five hundred thousand dollars.

Purchase of large steamers, two million six hundred thousand dollars.

Purchase of small steamers and tug-boats, seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Repairs of steam machinery, one million nine hundred and fifty thou-
sand dollars.

For instituting and conducting experiments for testing various methods
of working steam expansively, twenty thousand dollars.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the surgeon and the citizen at
large, who are, with the provost-marshal, to form the enrolling board of
each Congressional district, shall receive the compensation of an assistant-
surgeon of the army, excluding commutation for fuel and quarters for the
time actually employed; and that the same may be paid by the Secretary
of War out of appropriations already made for the services of that De-
partment.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That the President cause to be struck
from the dies recently prepared at the United States mint for that purpose,
"Medals of Honor" additional to those authorized by the act [Resolution]
of July twelfth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and present the same to
such officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates as have most dis-
tinguished or who may hereafter most distinguish themselves in action;
and the sum of twenty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated out of any
money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses
of the same.

For surveying the public lands in Colorado Territory, in addition to
the sum hereinbefore appropriated, five thousand dollars.

For surveying the public lands in Kansas and Nebraska, in addition to
the sum hereinbefore appropriated, ten thousand dollars.

For surveying the public lands in Dakota Territory, ten thousand dol-

For surveying the public lands in Washington Territory, in addition to
the sum hereinbefore appropriated, five thousand dollars.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That to supply a clerical omission in
the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the legislative, execu-
tive, and judicial expenses of the Government for the year ending June
thirty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, the following words be, and
hereby are, added to the end of the paragraph for the support of the
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Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia: “One hundred and ten thousand dollars.”

SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That in addition to the clerical force now authorized by law in the office of the second comptroller, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to appoint as follows: Four clerks of class four; four of class three, and ten of class two, and one assistant messenger at a salary of seven hundred dollars per annum; said additional force shall be employed and continue only during the rebellion, and for one year after its close; and the amount necessary to pay their salaries from the time of their appointment, for the fiscal year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, and for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, is hereby appropriated.

SEC. 9. And be it further enacted, That the appropriation for temporary clerks in the Treasury Department, for the year ending thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, shall apply to and include stationery and furniture for the use of said clerks.

Court of Claims. - For salaries of two additional judges, from the eighth of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, to thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, at an annual salary each of four thousand dollars, ten thousand five hundred and twenty dollars.

Bailiff. For salary of bailiff, from eighth March, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, to thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, at an annual salary of one thousand dollars, one thousand two hundred and ninety-five dollars.

Butler and Carpenter for engraving revenue stamps. - For a minister resident in Greece, three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

Appropriation for expenses of act relating to habeas corpus, &c. - For expenses of act relating to habeas corpus, &c.

Appropriation for expenses of act. - For expenses of act relating to habeas corpus, &c.


Appropriation. - For expenses of act relating to habeas corpus, &c.

Public money may be deposited in custom-house building.

Appropriation. - For expenses of act relating to habeas corpus, &c.

Treasurer of mint to designate chief clerks. - For expenses of act relating to habeas corpus, &c.

Chief clerks may act as treasurers.
unavoidable absence of the treasurer of the mint, he may, in his discretion, authorize the respective chief clerks to act in his place, and to discharge all the duties required by law of the treasurer of the mint or assistant-treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia.

Sec. 14. And be it further enacted, That the chief and other clerks in the treasury department of the mint shall give such assistance in the discharge of the duties required by law as is imposed upon them by the laws in force for the government of the mint and the officers and clerks thereof.

Sec. 15. And be it further enacted, That the secretary of the Senate be directed to pay, out of the contingent fund, for such extra messengers, pages, laborers, and services for the Senate during the present session, as the committee to audit and control the contingent expenses of the Senate may approve and direct.

Sec. 16. And be it further enacted, That an assistant collector of customs shall be appointed at the port of New York, in the mode prescribed by law for the appointment of deputy collectors, at an annual compensation of five thousand dollars, who shall perform such duties, and exercise such powers now devolved on the collector as may be assigned to him by that officer; and all the official acts of said assistant, in pursuance of such assignment, shall be as valid in law as if performed by the collector himself: Provided, That the collector shall be responsible for the official acts as aforesaid of said assistant, and that no additional appropriation shall be made for the payment of his compensation.

Sec. 17. And be it further enacted, That the signal-corps of the army shall, during the present rebellion, be organized as follows: There shall be one chief signal-officer, a colonel, who shall be signal-officer of the army; one lieutenant-colonel; two majors, who shall be inspectors; and for each army corps or military department there shall be one captain and as many lieutenants, not exceeding eight, as the President may deem necessary, to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall receive the pay and emoluments of cavalry officers of similar grades; and for each officer of the signal-corps there may be enlisted or detailed one sergeant and six privates, who shall receive the pay of similar grades of engineer soldiers: Provided, that no officer or enlisted man shall be allowed to serve in the signal-corps until he shall have been examined and approved by a military board, to be convened for that purpose by the Secretary of War.

Sec. 18. And be it further enacted, That the officers and enlisted men herein provided for shall be subject to the rules and articles of war. They may be mounted upon horses, the property of the United States, and shall serve in any military department, or with any forces to which they may be ordered. And officers of the army who may be appointed in this corps may, after the rebellion, be restored to their respective regiments or corps, and receive the same rank and promotion as if they had continued to serve therein.

Sec. 19. And be it further enacted, That there shall be appointed in the office of the signal-officer two clerks of class two. And in selecting officers and men for the organization of the signal-corps, as herein provided, preference shall be given to such as have served faithfully, or as are now serving in the acting signal-corps of the army.

Sec. 20. And be it further enacted, That, in order to allow time for their thorough examination, the President may appoint the officers authorized by this act during the recess of Congress; which appointments shall be submitted to the Senate at their next session for their advice and consent.

Sec. 21. And be it further enacted, That the sum of thirteen thousand
market-house in Georgetown.

Minnesota to be repaid expenses of suppressing Indian hostilities.

Proviso.

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Consulate at Trinidad de Cuba may be discontinued. Consul at Cienfuegos.

Judge Advocate may compel attendance of witnesses.

March 3, 1863. CHAP. LXXX.—An Act for increasing the Revenue by Reservation and Sale of Town Sites on Public Lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the President of the United States to reserve from the public lands, whether surveyed or unsurveyed, town sites on the shores of harbors, at the junction of rivers, important portages, or any natural or prospective centres of population.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That when, in the opinion of the President, the public interests require it, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to cause any of said reservations, or part thereof, to be surveyed into urban or suburban lots of suitable size, and to fix by appraisement of disinterested persons their cash value, and to offer the same for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, and thence afterward