SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That there be, and hereby is, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the further sum of one hundred thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, in repairing and rendering useful for purposes of commerce and navigation such of the public works connected with the harbors on the seaboard of the United States as may, in his judgment, need such expenditure.

APPROVED, June 28, 1864.

CHAP. CLXIX. — An Act to incorporate the Colored Catholic Benevolent Society.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Basil Mullen, John Warren, William H. Wheeler, Charles Dyson, James M. Ferrell, David Adkins, William Queen, John H. Butler, William Ford, and their associates and successors, be, and they are hereby, constituted and declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name and title of the Colored Catholic Male Benevolent Society, located in the city of Washington, and by its corporate name shall have perpetual succession, with power to sue and be sued, to implore and be implored, in any court of the United States, or of the District of Columbia, of competent jurisdiction, to receive subscriptions, gifts, and benefits, and to make such rules and by-laws as shall be necessary and expedient for the government of the society, and to alter the same from time to time in such mode as shall be prescribed therein: Provided, always, That such rules and by-laws shall be in no wise inconsistent with the constitution or laws of the United States, or with the objects of the society. The objects of the society are hereby declared to be to provide for the care and comfort of such members as shall be sick, disabled, or dependent, and of the families of such members, in cases where the officers of such society shall deem it expedient, and also to provide for the decent interment of such persons as may die in membership of such society, or belonging to the families of such members.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That said society shall have power to hold real estate, or personal and mixed estate, by purchase, gift, or devise, for the purposes of such society and no other, and to lease, sell, or convey such real estate or mixed estate, or personal property, as may be devised or donated to such society, and the leasing or sale of which will promote the interests of said society.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That congress shall have the right, at any time, to modify, amend, or repeal this act.

APPROVED, June 28, 1864.

CHAP. CLXX. — An Act repealing certain Provisions of Law concerning Seamen on board public and private Vessels of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of an act entitled "An act for the regulation of seamen on board the public and private vessels of the United States," approved the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, as makes it not lawful to employ on board any of the public or private vessels of the United States any person or persons except citizens of the United States or person[s] of color, natives of the United States; and so much of the third, fifth, sixth, and seventh sections of "An act concerning the navigation of the United States," approved the first of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, as concerns the crews of vessels therein named; and so much of the first section of an act entitled "An act to repeal the tonnage duties upon ships and vessels of the United States and upon certain foreign vessels," approved the thirty-first of May, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, as respects seamen on board U. S. vessels, be repealed.