Appropriation for temporary clerks.

Unclaimed money in dead letters, and from sales of waste paper, to be deposited.

Wilful neglect to deposit, how punished.

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treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay the clerks provided for in the two preceding sections of this act.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the sum of six thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of such temporary clerks as the Postmaster-General may, from time to time, deem necessary.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That unclaimed money in dead letters for which no owner can be found, and also all money derived from sales of waste paper or other public property in post-offices or the Post-Office Department, be deposited in the treasury of the United States, under the direction of the Postmaster-General, for the service of the Post-Office Department; and any postmaster or clerk in a post-office, or any other clerk, officer, or agent of the Post-Office Department, having temporary custody of such money, and wilfully neglecting to deposit the same as herein provided, shall be deemed to be guilty of felony, and be subject to a fine not exceeding double the sum so retained by such clerk or other agents as aforesaid, or imprisonment not exceeding three years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

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March 3, 1865.

CHAP. XCVIII. — An Act amendatory of the Acts relative to the Attorney-General’s Office, and to fix the Compensation of his Assistant and Clerks.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter the salary of the assistant attorney-general shall be, and the same is hereby, raised to the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars per annum.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That in lieu of the provisions of law prescribing the Attorney-General’s powers as to the employment of clerks in his office, it is provided that the Attorney-General shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ in his office one chief clerk at a salary of two thousand and two hundred dollars per annum, two fourth-class clerks (being one “pardon clerk” and one “opinion clerk”) at annual salaries of eighteen hundred dollars each, two third-class clerks at annual salaries of sixteen hundred dollars each, and one first-class clerk at an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars, besides such temporary clerks as may from time to time be needed: Provided, however, That the allowances to such temporary clerks shall in no one year exceed one thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That for the purpose of paying, for the current fiscal year, the increased compensation above provided, the Attorney-General is hereby authorized, in addition to the amounts already appropriated for the payment of salaries in his office in the appropriation bill for the current fiscal year, to draw on and use from the unexpended balance of moneys standing on the books of the treasury, on the first of July last, to the credit of his office for the pay of clerks and messenger, or from any other appropriation then standing to the credit of his office, and yet subject to his control and unexpended, a sum not exceeding, in the whole, twenty-four hundred dollars, towards such additional compensation for the current fiscal year.

APPROVED, March 3, 1865.

March 3, 1865.

CHAP. XCIX. — An Act to provide for the Construction of certain Wagon-Roads in the Territories of Idaho, Montana, Dakota, and Nebraska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to survey, locate, and construct the following wagon-roads:

First. A road from Niobrara to the mouth of the Turtle Hill River, and thence, upon the most direct practicable route, to Virginia City, in