of War and the companies and parties in interest, as will best effect and secure the purposes of the government in occupying the island.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, authorized to grant to the companies and parties in interest such other aid, pecuniary or otherwise, toward effecting the change in the present location of their road and bridge and establishing thereon a wagon road for the use of the government of the United States to connect said island with the cities of Davenport and Rock Island, to be so constructed as not materially to interfere with, obstruct, or impair the navigation of the Mississippi river, as may be adjudged to be fair and equitable by the board of commissioners authorized under the act of April nineteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act in addition to an act for the establishment of certain arsenals," and may be approved by him.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of the act, approved April nineteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act in addition to an act for the establishment of certain arsenals," be so extended as to include the small islands contiguous to Rock Island, and known as Benham's, Wilson's, and Winnebago islands.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for Rock Island arsenal, to be applied as follows, viz:

To liquidate claims for property in Benham's, Wilson's, and Winnebago islands, and for property in Rock Island which has been taken, in pursuance of law, for military purposes, two hundred and ninety-three thousand six hundred dollars, or so much thereof, and no more, as may be necessary to pay the respective claimants such amounts as may be reported by the board of commissioners authorized by the act of April nineteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and ordered by the United States circuit court to be paid to each.

To secure water-power at the head of Rock Island, one hundred thousand dollars.

To erect storehouses for the preservation of arms and other munitions of war, and to establish communication between Rock Island arsenal and the cities of Davenport, Iowa, and Rock Island, Illinois, one hundred thousand dollars.

Approved, June 27, 1866.

June 27, 1866.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to authorize the sale of marine hospitals and revenue cutters," approved April twentieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, shall not be construed to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to lease or sell any such hospital where the relief furnished to sick marine[s] shall show an extent of relief equal to twenty cases per diem, on an average, for the last preceding four years, or where no other suitable and sufficient hospital accommodations can be procured upon reasonable terms for the comfort and convenience of the patients.

Approved, June 27, 1866.

June 27, 1866.

CHAP. CXLIII. — An Act in Amendment of an Act to promote the Progress of the Useful Arts, and the Acts in Amendment of and in Addition thereto.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon appealing for the first time from the decision of the primary examiner to the examiners-in-chief in the patent office, the appellant shall pay a fee of ten dollars into the
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patent office, to the credit of the patent fund; and no appeal from the primary examiner to the examiners-in-chief shall hereafter be allowed until the appellant shall pay said fee.

APPROVED, June 27, 1866.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the public lands within the Territory of Idaho to which the Indian title is or shall be extinguished shall constitute a new land district, to be called the Idaho district, to be located at Boise City, Ada county; and the President is hereby authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a register and receiver of public moneys for said district, who shall be required to reside at the place at which said office shall be located, and they shall have the same powers, perform the same duties, and be entitled to the same compensation as are or may be prescribed by law in relation to land offices of the United States in other Territories.

APPROVED, June 27, 1866.

CHAP. CLV. — An Act amendatory of the organic Act of Washington Territory.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That after the next annual session of the legislative assembly of said Territory the sessions shall be biennial. Members of the council shall be elected for the term of four years, and members of the house for the term of two years, and shall receive the sum of six dollars per day instead of three dollars heretofore allowed, and shall also receive the same mileage now allowed by law.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That each house shall have authority to elect, in addition to the officers now allowed by law, an enrolling clerk, who shall receive five dollars per day. The chief clerks shall receive six dollars per day, and the other officers elected by said legislature shall receive five dollars per day each.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the first election, for the first biennial session under this act, shall be at the time of holding the general election for the Territory in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the act of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Washington, approved January fourteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, entitled “An act in relation to the county of Skamania,” be and the same is hereby disapproved.

APPROVED, June 29, 1866.

CHAP. CLVI. — An Act to create the Office of Surveyor-General in Idaho Territory.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint a surveyor-general for Idaho, whose annual salary shall be three thousand dollars, and whose power, authority, and duties shall be the same as those provided by law for the surveyor-general of Oregon. He shall have proper allowances for clerk hire, office rent, and fuel, not exceeding what is now allowed by law to the surveyor-general of Oregon, and he shall locate his office at Boise City, in said Territory of Idaho.

APPROVED, June 29, 1866.