For clothing, one hundred and twenty-nine thousand four hundred and twenty-five dollars.

For fuel, twenty-six thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars.

For military stores, viz: Pay of mechanics; repair of arms; purchase of accoutrements; ordnance stores, flags, drums, files, and other instruments, seven thousand dollars.

For transportation of officers, their servants, troops, and for expenses of recruiting, twelve thousand dollars.

For repair of barracks and rent of offices where there are no public buildings, ten thousand dollars.

For contingencies, viz: Freight; ferriage; toll; cartage; wharfage; purchase and repair of boats; compensation of judge advocates per diem for attending courts-martial, courts of inquiry, and for constant labor; house-rent in lieu of quarters, and commutation for quarters to officers on shipboard; burial of deceased marines; printing, stationery, postage, telegraphing; apprehension of deserters; oil, candles, gas; repairs of gas and water fixtures; water rent, forage, straw, barrack furniture; furniture for officers’ quarters; bed sacks, wrapping paper, oil-cloth, crash, rope, twine, spades, shovels, axes, picks, carpenters’ tools; keep of a horse for the messenger; repairs to fire-engines; purchase and repair of engine hose; purchase of lumber for benches, mess-tables, bunks; repairs to public carryall; purchase and repair of harness; purchase and repair of engine hose; purchase of lumber for benches, mess-tables; scavengering, purchase and repair of galleys, cooking stoves, ranges; stoves where there are no grates; gravel for parade grounds; repair of pumps; furniture for staff and commanding officers; brushes, brooms, buckets, paving, and for other purposes, fifty thousand dollars.

And be it further enacted, That each and every seaman, ordinary seaman, or landsman who shall perform the duty of a fireman or coal-heaver on board of any vessel of war shall be entitled to and shall receive a compensation at the rate of thirty-three cents per day for the time they shall thus be employed as firemen and coal-heavers, and which shall be in addition to their compensation as seamen, ordinary seamen, or landsmen, as aforesaid.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall not be lawful for any officer of the government, member of Congress, or other person entitled by law to the franking privilege to exercise said privilege otherwise than by his or her written autograph signature upon the matter franked; and all letters or other mail matter not thus franked by the written signature of a person entitled by law to exercise said privilege, shall be charged
with the rates of postage which are now, or may be hereafter, established by law.

Approved, March 1, 1869.

CHAP. L. — An Act establishing the Term of Office of the House of Representatives, and providing for biennial Sessions of the legislative Assembly of the Territory of Montana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter the members of the house of representatives of the Territory of Montana shall be elected for the term of two years, and the stated sessions of the legislative assembly shall be biennial. And the said legislative assembly, at its first session after the passage of this act, shall provide by law for carrying this act into effect.

Approved, March 1, 1869.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to convey to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, by good and sufficient title, a portion of the military reservation at Sault Ste. Marie, in the State of Michigan, not to exceed one acre, now occupied by a mission building owned by said society.

Approved, March 1, 1869.

CHAP. LII. — An Act to amend the Act of April tenth, eighteen hundred and six, for establishing Rules and Articles for the Government of the Armies of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sixty-first article of "An act for establishing rules and articles for the government of the armies of the United States," approved April the tenth, eighteen hundred and six, be, and is hereby, repealed.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act commissions by brevet shall only be conferred in time of war, and for distinguished conduct and public service in presence of the enemy. And all brevet commissions shall bear date from the particular action or service for which the officer was brevetted.

Approved, March 1, 1869.

CHAP. LIII. — An Act authorizing certain Banks named therein to change their Names.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of the "City National Bank of New Orleans" shall be changed to the "Germania National Bank of New Orleans" whenever the board of directors of said bank shall accept the new name by resolution of the board, and cause a copy of such resolution, duly authenticated, to be filed with the comptroller of the currency: Provided, That such acceptance be made within six months after the passage of this act.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That all the debts, demands, liabilities, rights, privileges, and powers of the "City National Bank of New Orleans" shall devolve upon and enure to the "Germania National Bank of New Orleans" whenever such change of name is effected.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the name of the "Second National Bank of Plattsburgh" shall be changed to the "Vilas National Bank of Plattsburgh" whenever the board of directors of said bank shall accept the new name by resolution of the board, and cause a copy of such