

Steamship service between the United States and Brazil; San Francisco and Sandwich Islands.

Conditional further appropriation for year ending June 30, 1873.

Partial repeal of acts 1847, ch. 63, § 12. Vol. ix. p. 201. 1851, ch. 20, § 8. Vol. ix. p. 591.

Carrying of free matter, how to be paid for.

Persons hereafter appointed officers, &c., in any executive department not to act as counsel in certain cases within, &c.

If contract for semi-monthly service between San Francisco and China, &c., is made with Pacific Mail Steamship Co., the money payable under it to be paid only while, &c. Proviso.

For steamship service between the United States and Brazil, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For steamship service between San Francisco and the Sandwich Islands, seventy-five thousand dollars.

SEC. 4. That if the revenues of the post-office department shall be insufficient to meet the appropriations made by this act, then the sum of five million seven hundred thousand nine hundred and seventy dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in the revenue of the post-office department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-three.

And section twelve of the act approved March third, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, entitled "An act to establish certain post-routes, and for other purposes;" and section eight of the act approved March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, entitled "An act to reduce and modify the rates of postage in the United States, and for other purposes," so far as said sections provide for specific permanent appropriations for carrying free matter in the mails for the several departments and for members of Congress, be, and the same are hereby, repealed. And hereafter payment for carrying such free matter shall be made out of the annual appropriations.

SEC. 5. That it shall not be lawful for any person who shall hereafter be appointed an officer, clerk, or employee in any of the executive departments to act as counsel, attorney, or agent for prosecuting any claim against the United States which was pending in said departments while he was said officer, clerk, or employee, nor in any manner, nor by any means, to aid in the prosecution of any such claim, within two years next after he shall have ceased to be such officer, clerk, or employee.

SEC. 6. That if the contract for the increase of the mail service between San Francisco and China and Japan to a semi-monthly service shall be made with the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, or shall be performed in the said company's ships, or the ships of its successors in interest, the moneys payable under such contract shall be paid while the said company or its successors in interest shall maintain and run the line of steamships for the transportation of freight and passengers at present run between New York and San Francisco, via the Isthmus of Panama, by the said Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and no longer: *Provided*, That said requirement shall in all respects apply to any party contracting for the mail service between San Francisco and China and Japan, as well as to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

APPROVED, June 1, 1872.

June 1, 1872.
1867, ch. 61.
Vol. xiv. p. 399.

CHAP. CCLVII. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and protect national Cemeteries," approved February twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.*

All honorably discharged soldiers and sailors who die destitute may be buried in national cemeteries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act all soldiers and sailors honorably discharged from the service of the United States who may die in a destitute condition, shall be allowed burial in the national cemeteries of the United States.

APPROVED, June 1, 1872.

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CHAP. CCLVIII. — *An Act granting the Right of Way to the Dakota Grand Trunk Railway Company.*

Right of way through public lands granted to the Dakota Grand Trunk Railway Co.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of enabling the Dakota Grand Trunk Railway Company, a corporation organized under the laws of Dakota, to extend its road and branches by the most advantageous and practicable lines, in accordance with its charters, the

right of way through the public lands in the Territory of Dakota be, and the same is hereby, granted to said company. Said right of way hereby granted to said company is to the extent of one hundred feet in width on each side of the central line of said road and branches where they may pass over the public lands; and there is also hereby granted to said company all necessary ground, not to exceed twenty acres for each ten miles in length of the main line of said railroad, for station-buildings, work-shops, depots, machine-shops, switches, side-tracks, turn-tables, water-stations, and so forth. And when it may be necessary to use material from the public lands for the construction of said road, it may be done; but no private property shall be taken for the use of said company, in said Territory, except in the manner now provided by the laws thereof relative to the taking of such property for like uses, and in which manner it may be done, with compensation to the owners as therein provided.

Extent of grant
Land for depots, shops, &c.
Materials for construction.

SEC. 2. That the said company shall have power to mortgage, in the usual manner, its franchise, road-bed, and all property of every kind belonging to said company, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars per mile for the entire length of said road, upon such terms as may to said company seem best; but in no case shall the United States be liable, in any manner whatever, for any act or thing done by said company.

The company may mortgage its road, &c.
Limit to amount.

SEC. 3. That the rights herein granted shall not preclude the construction of other roads through any cañon, defile, or pass on the route of said road.

Rights of other roads.

SEC. 4. That said railway company shall locate the route of said railroad, and file a map of such location within one year in the office of the Secretary of the Interior, and shall complete its railroad within ten years of the passage of this act; and nothing herein contained shall be construed as recognizing or denying the authority of the legislature of Dakota Territory to create railroad corporations.

Route to be located, &c., and road completed within, &c.

SEC. 5. That Congress reserves to itself the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act whenever in its judgment the interests of the people may require it.

This act may be altered.

APPROVED, June 1, 1872.

CHAP. CCLIX. — *An Act relative to the Centennial International Exhibition, to be held in the City of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, in the Year eighteen hundred and seventy-six.*

June 1, 1872.

WHEREAS Congress did provide by an act entitled "An act to provide for celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of American Independence by holding an international exhibition of arts, manufactures, and products of the soil and mine in the city of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six," approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, for the appointment of commissioners to promote and control the exhibition of the national resources and their development, and the nation's progress in arts which benefit mankind, and to suggest and direct appropriate ceremonies by which the people of the United States may commemorate that memorable and decisive event, the Declaration of American Independence by the Congress of the United Colonies assembled in the city of Philadelphia, on the fourth day of July anno Domini seventeen hundred and seventy-six; and whereas such provisions should be made for procuring the funds requisite for the purposes aforesaid as will enable all the people of the United States, who have shared the common blessings resulting from national independence, to aid in the preparation and conduct of said international exhibition and memorial celebration under the direction of the commissioners of the United States: Therefore,

Preamble.
1871, ch. 105.
Vol. xvi. p. 470.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby created a

Corporation