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Dec. 21, 1871. CHAP. III. — An Act making Appropriations for Expenses incurred under Articles twelve to seventeen, inclusive, of the Treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded at Washington, May eight, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of sixty-two thousand two hundred and twenty-five dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to enable the President to fulfil the stipulations of the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, and seventeenth articles of the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, signed on the eighth day of May, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, in relation to the United States and British claims commission.

Sec. 2. That the sum hereby appropriated, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, with the approval of the President.

APPROVED, December 21, 1871.

Dec. 21, 1871. CHAP. IV. — An Act making Appropriations for Expenses that may be incurred under Articles one to nine, inclusive, of the Treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded at Washington, May eight, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to enable the President to fulfil the stipulations contained in the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth articles of the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, signed on the eighth day of May, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, in relation to the tribunal of arbitration at Geneva.

Sec. 2. That the sum hereby appropriated, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, with the approval of the President of the United States.

APPROVED, December 21, 1871.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to purchase, at private sale or by condemnation, in pursuance of the statute of the State of Illinois, the remainder of the square of ground not now belonging to the United States on which the custom-house and post-office building, lately destroyed by fire in the city of Chicago, was situated, if the same can be obtained either by private purchase or condemnation at what, in his judgment, is a fair and reasonable price for the ground; but if not, then it shall be his duty to purchase, in one of the ways aforesaid, one of the twenty-four squares of ground nearest to and immediately surrounding the square on which said building destroyed by fire was located, and to cause to be erected on the square purchased a fire-proof building, suitable for the accommodation of the custom-house, sub-treasury, post-office, United States courts, pension and internal revenue offices, and for this purpose there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, two million dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall cause proper plans and estimates to be made, so that no expenditure shall be made or authorized for the full completion of said building, including the cost of the site, exceeding four million dollars; and before any money is expended upon the construction of the building, the plan of the same shall be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, the Postmaster-General, and the Attorney-General: Provided, That no money hereby appropriated shall be used or applied for the purpose until a valid title to the land for the site of such