CHAP. LXXXIV. — An Act to aid in maintaining the Fire Department in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That one-third of the expense incurred in maintaining a fire department in the District of Columbia by the government of said District shall hereafter be paid by the United States, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to pay annually into the treasury of the District of Columbia, out of any moneys in the United States treasury hereafter to be appropriated, one-third of the entire cost of maintaining the said fire department: Provided, That the amount paid by the United States in any one year shall not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars.

APPROVED, January 31, 1873.

CHAP. LXXXVIII. — An Act to regulate the Employment of Engineer Soldiers on extra Duty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the enlisted men of engineers in the army are hereby placed on the same footing with respect to compensation for extra-duty service as the other enlisted men of the army, and that all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this provision be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, February 1, 1873.

CHAP. CV. — An Act making an Appropriation to defray the Expenses of the American and British Claims Commission, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of one hundred and thirteen thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, to defray the expenses on the part of the United States of the mixed commission on American and British claims, appointed under the twelfth article of the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, signed May eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

SEC. 2. For payment of contractors for stone work, and other employees, on the post-office and court-house in New York city, five hundred thousand dollars.

APPROVED, February 5, 1873.

CHAP. CXX. — An Act to provide for the holding of additional Terms of the Circuit Court of the United States for the southern District of New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That additional terms of the circuit court of the United States for the southern district of New York shall hereafter be held in each year, commencing as follows: On the second Wednesday of January, on the second Wednesday of March, on the second Wednesday of May, on the third Wednesday of June, on the second Wednesday of October, and on the second Wednesday of December. The holding of any of the above-mentioned terms shall not dispense with or affect the holding of any other term of the court at the same time, nor shall the pending of any other term of the court prevent the holding of any of the terms hereby appointed.

SEC. 2. That the terms hereby appointed shall be devoted exclusively to the trial and disposal of the criminal cases and matters arising and pending in said court. The terms of said court appointed by this act may be held by the circuit judge of the second judicial circuit and the district judges for the southern and eastern districts of New York, or any one of