CHAP. 14.—An act to amend the act entitled “An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and for other purposes,” approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-three.

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 making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and for other purposes,” approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding to the proviso in the clause of said act relating to the public printing and binding the following words: “and of the House of Representatives.”

Approved, January 22, 1874.

CHAP. 15.—An act in relation to the printing of the Biennial Register commonly called the Blue Book.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in lieu of the number of copies of the Biennial Register now authorized by law to be printed, the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, directed to cause to be printed fifteen hundred copies of the said work.

Approved, January 23, 1874.

CHAP. 16.—An act making appropriations to pay for reporting the debates and proceedings of Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twenty-five thousand one hundred and eighty-five dollars for the payment of the five official reporters of the proceedings and debates of the House of Representatives during the first year of the Forty-third Congress, said reporters to be paid monthly at the rate fixed by law.

SEC. 2. That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one thousand six hundred and thirty-six dollars and twelve cents to pay D. F. Murphy, official reporter of the Senate, for reporting the proceedings and debates of the Senate at the special session of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, according to the arrangement made with him by the Committee on Printing of the Senate, which was reported by said Committee to the Senate on the twenty-first day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-three.

SEC. 3. That there is hereby appropriated for reporting the proceedings and debates of the Senate for the Congressional year ending March four, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, the sum of six thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, which sum shall be added to the contingent fund of the Senate and be disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate, agreeably to the terms of the resolution aforesaid: Provided, That from and after the passage of this act a sum not exceeding forty-two thousand dollars shall be paid for reporting the proceedings of each House of Congress for any one Congress, under the direction of the respective Houses; and all laws inconsistent here-with are hereby repealed.

Approved, January 28, 1874.