CHAP. 31.—An act authorizing the Secretary of War to deliver to the State authorities of Rhode Island a certain gun.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to deliver, if the same can be done without detriment to the Government, to the proper authorities of the State of Rhode Island a certain gun, marked “Battery B 1st Regiment Rhode Island Light Artillery Battle of Gettysburg,” for the purpose of being placed among the archives of that State.

Approved, February 19, 1874.

CHAP. 32.—An act to authorize the Secretary of War to ascertain the amount of expense incurred by the territorial authorities of Dakota for arms, equipments, military stores, supplies, and all other expenses of the volunteer forces of the Indian war of eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, authorized and required to ascertain, or cause to be ascertained, the amount of expense necessarily incurred by the territorial authorities of Dakota for arms, equipments, military stores, supplies, and all expenses of the volunteer forces called out to suppress Indian hostilities in the Territory of Dakota in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and report to Congress the names of the persons entitled to relief, together with a statement of the facts and sums upon which such report may be based.

Approved, February 20, 1874.

CHAP. 35.—An act to change the titles of certain naval officers, and for other purposes.

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 the title of first assistant engineer shall be changed to passed assistant engineer, and that the title of second assistant engineer shall be changed to assistant engineer: Provided, That the regulations of the Navy Department in relation to the examinations and amount of sea-service previous to each examinations be complied with.

SEC. 2. That from and after the thirtieth day of June eighteen hundred and seventy-four, the course of instruction at the Naval Academy for cadet-engineers shall be four years, instead of two as now provided by law; and this provision shall first apply to the class of cadet-engineers entering the academy in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and to all subsequent classes; and that all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith be, and are hereby, repealed.

Approved, February 24, 1874.