For new stone front-pintle platform for fifteen-inch gun, nine hundred and fifty dollars.

For carpets for adjutant’s office, eighty dollars.

For completing the walls and putting on the roof of the new hospital for cadets, twelve thousand dollars; to be available immediately.

For completing system of sewerage, thirteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For repairing cadets’ bath-room, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

SEC. 2. That appointments of civilians, except such as are regular graduates of the United States Military Academy who have been honorably discharged from the service, to be second lieutenants in any of the regiments of the Army, shall be made in time of peace only when more vacancies exist in the Army than will be required in the assignment of the next graduating class of cadets at the United States Military Academy; Provided, Nothing herein shall prevent the appointment for a commission in the Army of meritorious non-commissioned officers or private soldiers.

SEC. 3. That from and after July first, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, only such number of the graduates of the United States Military Academy in any one year shall be entitled to appointment as second lieutenants in the Army as are required to fill vacancies of that grade existing on the first day of July in each year; those entitled to appointment to said vacancies to be determined by the academic board on the basis of their standing in the graduating class. And hereafter no supernumerary officers shall be attached to any company or corps of the Army, and all graduates of the Military Academy who are not appointed to the Army under the provisions of this act shall be discharged upon the graduation of their class.

SEC. 4. That the cadets at large at the Military Academy shall not hereafter exceed ten in all, and no new appointments at large shall be made until the number of such cadets heretofore appointed falls below ten. But this provision shall not be held to require the discharge of any cadet heretofore appointed

Approved, June 11, 1878.

CHAP. 182.—An act to change the time for holding terms of the district court for the western district of Virginia at Danville.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the regular terms of the District courts in the western district of Virginia, at Danville, shall be held on the Tuesday after the fourth Monday in February, and on the fifteenth day of November; but if said last-mentioned day shall fall on Sunday, the term shall commence on the following day.

SEC. 2. So much of section five hundred and seventy-two of the Revised Statutes as conflicts with this act is hereby repealed.

Approved, June 11, 1878.

CHAP. 183.—An act fixing the time for holding the election for Representatives to the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States in and for the State of California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the election for Representatives to the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States in and for the State of California shall be had and held in said State at the general election to be held in said State on the first Wednesday of September, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, any law now in force to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, June 11, 1878.