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vised Statutes of the United States, approved March second eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, to revise and perfect the index to the new edition of volume one of the Revised Statutes therein mentioned, under the direction of the Secretary of State; and the necessary expenses thereof including such reasonable additional compensation to said commissioner for said service as shall be allowed by the Secretary of State, shall be paid out of the Treasury; and a sum of money sufficient therefore is hereby appropriated.

Approved, April 19, 1878.

CHAP. 62.—An act to authorize the construction of a bridge abutment and approach within the Fort Riley military reservation.

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 permit the county commissioners of Davis County, Kansas, in erecting a bridge across the Republican River, to construct one abutment of the same upon land included within the military reservation of Fort Riley, and also to permit the eastern approach to the same to be laid out across said reservation: Provided, That such bridge and the highway leading thereto shall always be open to government transportation free of charge, and that such point shall be selected for the construction of said abutment and approach as shall be mutually agreed upon by said county commissioners and the Secretary of War.

Approved, April 20, 1878.

CHAP. 64.—An act to authorize the restoration of George A. Armes to the rank of captain

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of law regulating appointments in the Army by promotion in the line are hereby suspended for the purposes of this act, and only so far as they affect George A. Armes; and the President can, if he so desire, in the exercise of his own discretion and judgment, nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint said George A. Armes, late captain in the Tenth United States Cavalry Regiment, to the same grade and rank of captain held by him on June seventh, eighteen hundred and seventy, in any vacancy occurring in the grade of captain in said regiment: Provided however, That no pay, compensation, or allowance whatever shall ever be given to said Armes for the time between June seventh, eighteen hundred and seventy, and the date of appointment hereunder: And provided further, That the acceptance of any benefit under this act by said George A. Armes shall be taken and construed to be by his election a bar to any claim for pay or allowances from the date of his discharge to his acceptance of a commission, if one be granted him under the provisions of this act.

Approved, April 23, 1878.

CHAP. 66.—An act to prevent the introduction of contagious or infectious diseases into the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no vessel or vehicle coming from any foreign port or country where any contagious or infectious disease may exist, and no vessel or vehicle conveying any person or persons, merchandise or animals, affected with any infectious or contagious disease, shall enter any port of the United States or pass the boundary line between the United States and any foreign country, con-