payments for information and detection of such violations, twenty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for that purpose, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, being a deficiency for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

For salaries and expenses of collectors of internal revenue, being a deficiency for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, twenty thousand dollars.

For railway post office clerks, route agents, and mail-route messengers, seven thousand dollars.

That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ in the record and pension division of the Surgeon-General's Office, during the balance of the present fiscal year, the following clerks and laborers in addition to the clerical force already provided by law, namely: one clerk of class four; one clerk of class three; two clerks of class two; twenty-eight clerks of class one; and two laborers, at seven hundred and twenty dollars each; and the sum of eleven thousand nine hundred and two dollars and thirty cents, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for that purpose.

The above sums are hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and shall be available immediately upon the passage of this act.

Approved, April 30, 1878.

CHAP. 78.—An act to provide for the administration of the oath of office to collectors and other officers of the customs in the district of Alaska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That until the formal organization of the Territory of Alaska, the oath of office required by law to be taken by a collector or other officer of the customs in Alaska may be taken before the judge of any circuit or district court of the United States.

Approved, May 2, 1878.

CHAP. 79.—An act to prohibit the coinage of the twenty cent piece of silver.

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 coinage of the twenty cent piece of silver, by the Government of the United States be, and the same is hereby prohibited. And all laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, May 2, 1878.

CHAP. 80.—An act authorizing and directing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue an American register to the Canadian-built propeller "East" by the name of "Kent."

Whereas the Canadian-built propeller "East" has been condemned and sold pursuant to a decree of the district court of the United States for the northern district of New York, in admiralty, and was purchased at said sale and is now owned, by George D. Seymour, Isaac L. Seymour, and George Hall, citizens of the United States, residing at the city of Ogdensburgh, State of New York; Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to issue an American register or enrollment to the said Canadian-built propeller "East," owned by the said George D. Seymour, Isaac L. Seymour, and George Hall, by the name of the "Kent," to which the name of said propeller "East" is hereby changed.

Approved, May 2, 1878.