

otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available after the passage of this act.

Senate contingent fund.

That the sum of ten thousand dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated; which sum shall be placed to the credit of the contingent fund of the Senate to be applied toward defraying the expenses of such investigations and inquiries as have already been, or may hereafter be, directed by the Senate during the Forty-fifth Congress.

Committee on Army reorganization.

For expenses of the Joint Committee to take into consideration the subject matter of reform and reorganization of the Army, two hundred and thirty-two dollars and sixty-seven cents.

Committee on transfer of Indian Bureau.

For expenses of the Joint Committee to take into consideration the expediency of transferring the Indian Bureau to the War Department, nine hundred and fifty-three dollars and sixty cents.

Approved, January 29, 1879.

Jan. 29, 1879.

CHAP. 34.—An act to repeal section twelve hundred and thirty-three of the Revised Statutes relating to company cooks in the Army.

Army cooks.
R. S. 1233,
Repealed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twelve hundred and thirty-three of the Revised Statutes be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Approved, January 29, 1879.

Jan. 29, 1879.

CHAP. 35.—An act authorizing the appointment of Doctor Junius L. Powell an assistant surgeon in the United States Army.

J. L. Powell may be appointed assistant surgeon in the Army.

1866, ch. 299,
14 Stat., 332.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, Doctor Junius L. Powell an assistant surgeon in the United States Army, with the rank of first lieutenant, to date from June sixth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight. And the said Doctor Junius L. Powell is hereby relieved from the operation of the twenty-eighth section of the act entitled "An act to increase and fix the military peace establishment of the United States", approved July twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.

Approved, January 29, 1879.

Jan. 30, 1879.

CHAP. 36.—An act subjecting the Fort Wayne military reservation in the State of Arkansas to entry as other public lands in said State.

Fort Wayne reservation, Arkansas, restored to public domain.
Priorities.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the lands embraced in the Fort Wayne military reservation in the State of Arkansas be, and the same are hereby, opened and made subject to entry as other public lands in said State under existing laws: *Provided,* That all persons owning improvements on said reservation at the time of the passage of this act shall have a prior right to enter the same at any time within six months after this act goes into effect.

Instructions.

SEC. 2. That the Commissioner of the General Land Office be, and hereby is, authorized to issue the instructions necessary to carry the provisions of this act into effect.

Approved, January 30, 1879.