

CHAP. 32.—An act to authorize the Secretary of War to use certain moneys appropriated by act of Congress approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, 'for the protection of the high sand-banks on the Chippewa River', in the completion and protection of improvements in and near the mouth of said Chippewa River.

June 19, 1879.

1879, ch. 181,
20 Stat., 372.

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, in his discretion, to apply and use for the completion and protection of the wing-dams, jetties, and other improvements of the Chippewa River in the State of Wisconsin, located at and near the mouth of said river, so much of the moneys appropriated by an act of Congress approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An act making appropriations for the construction, repair, preservation, and completion of certain works on rivers and harbors, and for other purposes", as were appropriated "for the protection of the high sand banks on the Chippewa River", and so forth, as may be required for such purpose herein provided: *Provided,* That such use or application of the moneys herein authorized shall be made under the same limitations and conditions as provided in the act hereinbefore named, and subject to the terms and conditions of the proviso attached to said appropriation for said Chippewa River in said act approved, March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

Chippewa River,
Wis.

Use of appro-
priation.

Proviso:

Approved, June 19, 1879.

CHAP. 33.—An act to relieve the churches of the District of Columbia, and to clear the title of the trustees of such property.

June 21, 1879.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of an act of Congress entitled "An act for the government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved June twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, as was construed to authorize the Commissioners of the District to set aside former exemptions from taxation of church property which was actually held and used for the purpose of divine worship, and to enforce a tax upon such property, be, and is hereby, repealed; and the title to such property is hereby declared to vest in the trustees, or such other persons as held the title to the same at the time of the passage of the act of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, or their successors in interest, notwithstanding the sale of such property for non-payment of taxes.

District of Co-
lumbia.
Church property.
1874, ch. 337,
18 Stat., 117.

Title.

SEC. 2. That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they hereby are, authorized and required to refund to the trustees or other proper officers of such church or churches as have paid the taxes assessed against them under the act of June twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, such sums respectively as were paid by each upon property actually held and used for the purpose of divine worship.

Taxes to be re-
funded.

Approved, June 21, 1879.

CHAP. 34.—An act making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, and for other purposes.

June 21, 1879.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of providing for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the same sums of money and for the like purposes (and continuing the same provisions relating thereto), as were appropriated for the service of the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, by the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the

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Legislative, ex-
ecutive, and judi-
cial expenses.

1878, ch. 329,
20 Stat., 178.

Re-enacted, except

government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, and for other purposes", approved June nineteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, (except as hereinafter declared), subject to all the limitations and conditions in respect to the disbursement of the appropriations hereby made that were imposed by said act and the other laws of the United States upon or in respect to the appropriations made by said act: *Provided*, That nothing is appropriated by this section for "the purchase of the copyright and plates to the Reference Index to the Revised Statutes of the United States"; for a telegraph operator at the Executive Office; for more than eighty clerks of the class paid nine hundred dollars per annum each, in the office of the Treasurer of the United States; for more than twenty-nine clerks of class one; for more than eighteen clerks of the class of nine hundred dollars under the same officer, "employed in redeeming national currency," (and seven of the clerks of class one so employed are hereby transferred to the office of the said Treasurer); "for temporary clerks for the Treasury Department"; "for replacing boilers and enlarging and rebuilding the boiler house of the mint at Carson, Nevada"; "for repairs and machinery at the mint at New Orleans, Louisiana"; "for purchase of library for the use of the General Land Office"; "for legislative expenses" of the Territories of Arizona, of Dakota, of Idaho, or of Montana, (but the usual annual amount of two thousand dollars to each of said Territories for the expenses of the secretary's office is hereby appropriated); nor for rent of the "Towson House", or to repairs of the roof or flooring of the Army Medical Museum; "for the special purpose of investigating the history and habits of insects injurious to the cotton plant", other than that appropriated by this act to be expended by the Entomological Commission, or for the Southern Claims Commission.

Exceptions.

Limitation of amounts.

And no more than the sums herein stated respectively are appropriated under this section for the following purposes, to wit: For the State Department: "For fuel", three thousand dollars; "for light", two thousand dollars. For the Treasury Department: "For carpets, oil-cloth, and matting, and repairs, cleaning, and laying the same", seven thousand dollars; "for the additional duties imposed upon the Bureau of Statistics by the legislation of the second session of the Forty-third Congress", eight thousand eight hundred dollars; "for purchase of new plants and seeds for greenhouse, Agricultural Department", six hundred dollars.

Amendments.

And certain clauses in said act of June nineteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, are amended, for the purposes of the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, as follows:

Under heading of "Senate", the clause commencing "For eight skilled laborers" is amended by striking out therefrom the name "Kate Dodson", and inserting in lieu thereof female attendant.

Under the head of contingent expenses of the Senate, the following clauses, namely: The clause commencing "For twenty-seven clerks to committees" is amended so as to read for twenty-five clerks to committees, and the sum of the clause shall read thirty-one thousand eight hundred dollars; the clause commencing "For fourteen pages for the Senate Chamber" is amended by striking out the words "one page for the Vice-President's room", and the sum of the clause shall read ten thousand two hundred and sixty-five dollars; the clause commencing "For fuel and oil for the heating apparatus" is amended by striking out the words "and of this amount not exceeding four hundred dollars may be used for the purchase of platform-scales for weighing coal".

Under the heading "House of Representatives", the clause commencing "For eight messengers" is hereby amended by striking out therefrom the name "Henry Douglas"; the clause among the contingent expenses for the House of Representatives, commencing "For twenty-one clerks to committees", is amended so as to read, for thirty-five clerks, and the sum of the clause shall read forty-four thousand one

hundred dollars; the clause commencing "twenty-eight pages" is amended to read twenty-nine, and the sum of the clause shall read fifteen thousand eight hundred and sixty-five dollars; the clause "For fuel and oil for the heating apparatus" is amended to include, also, and for steam-pump and condenser for same; and the clause "For miscellaneous items" is amended to read, seventy thousand dollars. *Amendments, continued.*

And the last clause under heading "Department of State" is amended to read as follows: For expenses of editing and distributing the laws enacted at the third session of the Forty-fifth Congress, and for editing and distributing the Statutes at Large, five thousand dollars.

And the clause under heading "Library of Congress", in said act, is amended as follows: In lieu of the number named it shall read twenty-one assistant librarians, and in lieu of "two" there shall be five assistants at one thousand two hundred dollars each; and the total sum of the clause shall read, thirty-three thousand two hundred and forty dollars.

And under the "Independent Treasury" heading, the last two clauses are amended as follows: In lieu of the sum stated for "checks and check-books", it shall read ten thousand dollars; and in lieu of the sum stated "for contingent expenses", it shall read forty thousand dollars.

And the clause "for contingent expenses" in the office of the Adjutant-General is amended so that the sum named therein shall read eight thousand dollars; and the clause "for a foreman and laborers" under the heading of "Public Buildings and Grounds", is amended so that the sum named therein will read twenty-four thousand dollars; and the clause "for stationery, books, fuel, labor, postage and other contingent and miscellaneous expenses" under the heading "Court of Claims" is amended so that the sum therein will read, two thousand five hundred dollars.

And the clause "for contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the Patent Office" is amended so that the sum named therein shall read thirty-five thousand dollars.

For a scientific library for the Patent Office, five thousand dollars.

And the clause "for photo-lithographing or otherwise producing plates for the Official Gazette", and so forth, is amended so that the sum named therein shall read twenty-four thousand dollars.

And the clause commencing "General Land Office: For the Commissioner", and so forth, is amended as follows: In lieu of the number named, it shall read, six clerks of class four; in lieu of the number named, it shall read, eighty clerks of class one; in lieu of the number named, it shall read, thirty clerks of class one thousand dollars, and nine copyists at nine hundred dollars each; in lieu of the number named, it shall read, nine assistant messengers; in lieu of the number named, it shall read, twelve laborers; and in lieu of the number named, it shall read six packers; and the total sum of the clause shall correspond in amount to the change; and the sums of money necessary to carry out the foregoing amendments are hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 2. For salaries of certain offices created by acts of eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, and for certain expenses rendered necessary by the removal of the offices of the War Department and of the Navy Department, and for matters heretofore provided for in other acts, and for the mints and assay-offices, and for other purposes, the following additional sums are hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated:

Appropriations.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

For two messengers in the House library, at three dollars and sixty cents per day, two thousand six hundred and thirty-five dollars and twenty cents; and one additional engineer, one thousand two hundred dollars.

Employés.

For messenger to the Speaker, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For laborer in the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms, six hundred and sixty dollars.

For the person preparing the general index to the journals of Congress under resolution of June eighteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For the journal clerk for preparing Digest of the Rules, one thousand dollars.

For five folders in the folding-room, three thousand six hundred dollars.

For two additional watchmen on the Capitol police force, at nine hundred dollars each, eighteen hundred dollars.

SENATE.

Employés.

For clerk to Committee on Military Affairs and for clerk to Committee on Post-Offices and Post-Roads, at two thousand two hundred and twenty dollars each.

For assistant clerk to Committee on Appropriations, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For clerk to the Sergeant-at-Arms, two thousand dollars.

For messenger to the Vice-President's room, to be appointed by the Vice-President, one thousand four hundred and forty dollars.

For miscellaneous items, twenty thousand dollars.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

Works of art.

To enable the Joint Committee on the Library to purchase works of art, five thousand dollars.

STATE DEPARTMENT.

Report on wages, etc.

That the sum of four thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of printing fifteen thousand copies of the letter of the Secretary of State, with consular reports showing the rates of wages, hours of labor, prices of food, the general condition of the working classes in the several countries of Europe; to be available immediately.

Remonetization of silver.

For negotiation with foreign governments with a view to the international remonetization of silver, to be expended in the discretion of the President, twenty thousand dollars; and an account of the expenditure thereof shall be submitted to the Congress that meets December, eighteen hundred and eighty.

Third Assistant Secretary.

For Third Assistant Secretary of State, three thousand five hundred dollars.

JUDICIAL.

Salaries.

For associate judge of the supreme court in the District of Columbia, four thousand dollars.

For a district judge for the northern district in Texas, three thousand five hundred dollars.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Salaries.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.—For five female clerks, at nine hundred dollars, four thousand five hundred dollars.

FIRST COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY.—For one clerk of class four, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

FIRST AUDITOR.—For one clerk of class four, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

For one skilled laborer in the office of the Auditor of the Treasury for the Post-Office Department, one thousand dollars.

Office of Life Saving Service: For General Superintendent of the Life Saving Service, four thousand dollars; assistant general superintendent of the Life Saving Service, two thousand five hundred dollars; one principal clerk and accountant, one thousand eight hundred dollars; two clerks of class three; one clerk of class two; one clerk of class one; one clerk, one thousand dollars; four clerks, at nine hundred dollars each; one assistant messenger, seven hundred and twenty dollars; in all, nineteen thousand four hundred and twenty dollars.

Life Saving Service.

INTERNAL REVENUE.

To meet a deficiency in the appropriation for salaries and expenses of agents and surveyors' fees and expenses of gaugers, salaries of storekeepers, and miscellaneous expenses, being for the present fiscal year, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That hereafter storekeepers at distilleries that mash less than sixty bushels of grain per day shall be allowed not exceeding fifty dollars per month. But when one person acts as storekeeper and gauger, his salary shall not exceed four dollars per day for the time actually employed.

Salaries and fees.

Storekeepers' pay.

FOR THE MINTS AND ASSAY-OFFICES.

Mint at Denver, Colorado: For assistant assayer, one thousand four hundred dollars; one clerk, one thousand four hundred dollars; for wages of workmen, two thousand five hundred dollars; for fuel, lights, and other necessities, three thousand dollars.

Denver.

Mint at New Orleans, Louisiana: For wages of workmen and adjusters, eighteen thousand dollars; for repairs and machinery, five thousand dollars.

New Orleans.

Assay-office at Helena, Montana: For wages of workmen, seven thousand dollars; for fuel, crucibles, chemicals, and other necessities, nine thousand four hundred and eighty-five dollars.

Helena.

Assay-office at Boise City, Idaho: For wages of workmen, fuel, crucibles, and other incidental expenses, four thousand dollars.

Boise City.

Assay-office at Charlotte, North Carolina: For labor and other expenses, two hundred and fifty dollars.

Charlotte.

For the office of the Director of the Mint, for purchasing books, periodicals, and pamphlets containing information relative to monetary questions, two hundred dollars.

Library of Director.

GOVERNMENT IN THE TERRITORIES.

For salary of an associate judge in the Territory of Dakota, two thousand six hundred dollars.

Salaries.

"For legislative expenses", for the biennial year, in the following named Territories respectively:

Legislative expenses.

For the Territory of New Mexico, eighteen thousand six hundred and eighty-three dollars and ninety cents.

For the Territory of Utah, fifteen thousand six hundred dollars.

For the Territory of Washington, fifteen thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the Territory of Wyoming, fifteen thousand four hundred and sixty dollars.

OFFICE OF DEPOSITARY AT TUCSON, ARIZONA.—For depositary, in addition to his pay as postmaster, eight hundred dollars.

Tucson depositary.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

For eight charwomen, to be employed in the office of the Secretary of War, in the new State, War, and Navy Department building, at one hundred and eighty dollars per annum each, one thousand four hundred and forty dollars.

Salaries.

For four watchmen, two firemen, and one laborer in the part of the Adjutant-General's Office to be located on the first and second floors of the old Navy Department building; in all, four thousand nine hundred and eighty dollars.

Contingent.

For contingent expenses of the Adjutant-General's Office, in the old Navy Department building, including fuel, light, heating apparatus, matting, cleaning, labor, and incidental items of care of two floors of Navy Department building to be occupied by Adjutant-General's Office, two thousand dollars.

NAVY DEPARTMENT.

Salaries.

To maintain a force of watchmen and laborers to protect and to attend to the old building occupied by the Navy Department, namely, for four watchmen and two laborers, to be put on duty when the building is vacated, four thousand two hundred dollars.

Fuel, etc.
Salaries.

For fuel, lights, and miscellaneous items, two thousand dollars.
To provide for an additional force for the proper care of and for service in the new building, namely, one engineer, one thousand two hundred dollars; one assistant engineer, one thousand dollars; one conductor for the elevator, seven hundred and twenty dollars; three firemen, at seven hundred and twenty dollars each, and eight charwomen, at one hundred and eighty dollars each, to be employed when the new building shall be taken possession of, a sufficient sum is hereby appropriated.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

Salaries.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.—For one stenographer, eighteen hundred dollars; two clerks of class four; two clerks of class one; and one assistant messenger; eight thousand five hundred and twenty dollars.

Repairs.
Stationery.
Salaries.

For casual repairs of the building, five thousand dollars.
For stationery, five thousand dollars.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—For three clerks, at two thousand dollars each; and one clerk, at one thousand two hundred dollars; in all, seven thousand two hundred dollars.

INDIAN OFFICE.—For four clerks, at one thousand dollars each; two copyists, at nine hundred dollars each; and one laborer; in all, six thousand four hundred and sixty dollars.

PATENT-OFFICE.—For seven copyists; five assistant messengers; and one folder and paster, at four hundred and eighty dollars; in all, ten thousand three hundred and eighty dollars.

BUREAU OF EDUCATION. For collecting statistics and writing and compiling matter for annual and special reports, and editing and publishing circulars of information, seven thousand dollars.

PENSION-OFFICE.—For compensation of the Commissioner of Pensions, three thousand six hundred dollars; deputy commissioner, two thousand four hundred dollars, said office to continue for one year only; chief clerk, two thousand dollars; medical referee, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars; twenty-six clerks of class four; fifty-two clerks of class three; eighty-four clerks of class two; one hundred and forty-seven clerks of class one; ten clerks, at one thousand dollars each; one skilled mechanic, at one thousand two hundred dollars; thirty copyists, at nine hundred dollars each; one engineer, at one thousand two hundred dollars; one assistant engineer, at one thousand dollars; one messenger and twelve assistant messengers; and for eight laborers and two watchmen; in all, four hundred and eighty-nine thousand three hundred and fifty dollars; this being in lieu of the paragraph of the same nature in the act of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, which is not continued and rendered available. And the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to rent such buildings as may be necessary from time to time for the purpose of the census, the total expenditure not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, to be paid from the amount authorized to be expended

by section twenty of act of March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, census act; also to enable him to provide offices for the Geological Survey, and offices for additional accommodation of pension clerks, three thousand dollars.

UNDER THE ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL.—For person in charge of heating apparatus of the Congressional Library and Supreme Court, eight hundred and sixty-four dollars; for one laborer in charge of water closet in central portion of the Capitol, six hundred and sixty dollars; for three laborers for cleaning rotunda, corridors, and dome, at six hundred and sixty dollars each; for the pay of six watchmen employed on the Capitol grounds, at seven hundred and twenty dollars each; in all, seven thousand eight hundred and twenty-four dollars. Capitol heating apparatus, etc.

OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF RAILROAD ACCOUNTS.—For Auditor, three thousand six hundred dollars; book-keeper, two thousand four hundred dollars; assistant book-keeper, two thousand dollars; railroad engineer, two thousand dollars; one clerk, one thousand four hundred dollars; one copyist, nine hundred dollars; traveling and other expenses, one thousand five hundred dollars; incidental expenses, two hundred and fifty dollars; in all, fourteen thousand and fifty dollars. Auditor of Railroad Accounts.

SOUTHERN CLAIMS COMMISSION.

For pay of three commissioners to the tenth day of March, eighteen hundred and eighty, at the rate of five thousand dollars per annum each; one clerk, at the rate of two thousand five hundred dollars; one stenographer, at the rate of two thousand five hundred dollars; one messenger at the rate of one thousand two hundred dollars; three additional clerks, at the rate of one thousand two hundred dollars each; in all, seventeen thousand two hundred and twenty-two dollars and twenty-one cents. Salaries.

For compensation of three investigating agents, at five dollars per day when actually employed; also traveling expenses of agents, fees and mileage to government witnesses, costs of summoning government witnesses, fees to commissioners for taking testimony, fees for abstracts and exemplifications of public records relating to claims and claimants, six thousand dollars: *Provided*, That said agents shall give notice to claimants whose claims it is proposed to investigate of the time and place of taking testimony, who shall have the right to cross examine every witness who may testify in behalf of the government; and said agents shall also take at the same time the testimony of any and all witnesses who may be presented by the claimant, on his paying the expenses thereof; and all such testimony, both on behalf of the claimant and the government, shall be taken under the law and rules which usually govern the taking of testimony; and the judges of the Southern Claims Commission shall prescribe and publish rules for the taking of the testimony, and shall provide in all cases for full and fair notice to be given of the time and place thereof; and sections two, three, four, five, and six of the act of March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, authorizing the Southern Claims Commission, are hereby repealed, to take effect on and after the tenth day of March, eighteen hundred and eighty. Investigating agents. Notice to claimants. Testimony.

For contingent expenses, namely, office rent, furniture, fuel, stationery, printing and binding, postage and expressage, labor, and assistance to shorthand reporter when needed, four thousand dollars. Contingent.

UNITED STATES ENTOMOLOGICAL COMMISSION.—To provide for the investigation into the habits of the cotton-worm and other insects injurious to the cotton-plant and to agriculture, with a view of preventing their injuries, five thousand dollars. Cotton-worm.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.—In the office of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General the following increase of force over that Increase of force

of the current year is hereby authorized and appropriated for, namely: One clerk of class four; two clerks of class three; three clerks of class two; one clerk of class one; and three female clerks, at nine hundred dollars per annum each; in all, thirteen thousand one hundred dollars.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Diseases of domestic animals.

For the continuance of the investigation of the diseases of swine, and infectious and contagious diseases to which all other classes of domesticated animals are subject, ten thousand dollars.

R. S. 4771,
R. S. 4772,
R. S. 4773.
Repealed.

SEC. 3. That sections forty-seven hundred and seventy-one, forty-seven hundred and seventy-two, and forty-seven hundred and seventy-three of the Revised Statutes of the United States, providing for biennial examinations of pensioners, are hereby repealed: *Provided*, That the Commissioner of Pensions shall have the same power as heretofore to order special examinations, whenever, in his judgment, the same may be necessary, and to increase or reduce the pension according to right and justice; but in no case shall a pension be withdrawn or reduced except upon notice to the pensioner and a hearing upon sworn testimony, except as to the certificate of the examining surgeon. In order to provide for the speedy payment of arrearages of pensions, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to issue immediately in payment thereof, as they may be adjusted, the legal-tender currency, now in the United States Treasury, held as a special fund for the redemption of fractional currency under section one of joint resolution number seventeen of the Congress of the United States, approved July twenty-second, eighteen hundred and seventy-six; and fractional currency presented for redemption shall be redeemed in any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Examination of pensioners.

Fractional currency reserve.

Pay of watchmen and others.

SEC. 4. That the pay of assistant messengers, firemen, watchmen, and laborers provided for in this act, unless otherwise specially stated in particular cases in the act of June nineteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, which it continues and makes available (except as declared in the first section of this act), shall be as follows: For assistant messengers, firemen, and watchmen, seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum each; for laborers, six hundred and sixty dollars per annum each; and a sufficient amount to meet the provisions of this section is hereby appropriated.

Approved, June 21, 1879.

June 23, 1879.

CHAP. 35.—An act making appropriations for the support of the Army for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, and for other purposes.

Appropriations. Military service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the Army for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, as follows:

Command'g general's office.

For expenses of the commanding general's office, two thousand five hundred dollars.

Recruiting.

For expenses of recruiting and transportation of recruits from rendezvous to depot, seventy-five thousand dollars. And no money appropriated by this act shall be paid for recruiting the Army beyond the number of twenty-five thousand enlisted men, including Indian scouts and hospital stewards; and thereafter there shall be no more than twenty-five thousand enlisted men in the Army at any one time, unless otherwise authorized by law. Nothing however, in this act shall be construed to prevent enlistments for the Signal Service, which shall hereafter be maintained, as now organized and as provided by law, with a force of enlisted men not exceeding four hundred and fifty, after present terms of enlistment have expired.

Number of recruits.

Enlistments in Signal Service.