surveyed and sold”, and to place “the proceeds of such lands as they accrue, after deducting all expenses incident to the proper execution of the trust, * * * in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of said tribe of Indians”; and

Whereas it is claimed that under the operation of the treaty herein referred to there are moneys due, both on account of grants and sales of lands, which have not been placed to the credit of said Indians, as provided for in said treaty: 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 Interior is hereby authorized and directed to cause an account to be stated of the number of acres of the Osage lands in the State of Kansas that have in any way been alienated by the United States, either by the act of January twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and sixty one, entitled “An act for the admission of Kansas into the Union”, or since the creation of the trust for the sale of these lands by the treaty between the United States and the Great and Little Osage Indians, proclaimed January twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and of the money received by the United States on account of the sales of such lands, and to certify the difference between the sum so received and the sum that would be due said trust at the date of the account herein provided for had all of said lands so alienated been disposed of as provided for by said treaty.

SEC. 2. That a sum of money equal to the amount certified by the Secretary of the Interior, in pursuance of the foregoing section, to the Secretary of the Treasury, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, which the Secretary of the Treasury is directed to place to the credit of the Secretary of the Interior, as custodian of said trust funds, and, after defraying the cost of survey and sale of said lands and other expenses contracted by the United States or the Osage Nation in the execution of said trust, the balance of said funds shall be placed in the Treasury of the United States, to the credit of said Indians, to be invested and distributed in accordance with existing treaties: Provided, That a like settlement shall be made with the Indian-civilization fund for the sixteenth and thirty-sixth sections, given by the United States to the State of Kansas, within the limits of the Osage lands ceded by the first article of the treaty aforesaid.

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CHAP. 252.—An act making appropriations for the Agricultural Department of the government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, and for other purposes.

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 of the United States not otherwise appropriated, in full compensation for the service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, for the objects and purposes hereinafter expressed, namely:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER.

For compensation of Commissioner of Agriculture, three thousand five hundred dollars; chief clerk in said department, two thousand dollars; chief of division of accounts, disbursing-clerk, and superintendent of department building, one thousand eight hundred dollars; two clerks of class four, three thousand six hundred dollars; two clerks of class three, three thousand two hundred dollars; four clerks of class two, five thou-
said six hundred dollars; four clerks of class one, four thousand eight hundred dollars; five clerks, at one thousand dollars each, five thousand dollars; clerks, copyists, carpenter, watchmen, attendant in museum, and laborers, ten thousand dollars.

CHEMICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of chief chemist, two thousand dollars; assistant chemist, one thousand six hundred dollars; one assistant chemist, at one thousand two hundred dollars.

BOTANICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of one botanist, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

ENTOMOLOGICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of entomologist, two thousand dollars.

STATISTICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of one statistician, two thousand dollars; one clerk of class four, one thousand eight hundred dollars; two clerks of class three, three thousand two hundred dollars; one clerk of class two, one thousand four hundred dollars; two clerks of class one, two thousand four hundred dollars.

GARDEN AND GROUNDS.

For compensation of superintendent of garden and grounds, two thousand dollars.

MICROSCOPICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of microscopist, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

SEED DIVISION.

For compensation of superintendent of seed division, one thousand eight hundred dollars; superintendent of flower-seed room, nine hundred dollars; librarian, one thousand four hundred dollars; superintendent of folding-room, one thousand two hundred dollars; engineer, one thousand two hundred dollars; in all, seventy-two thousand one hundred dollars.

And it is hereby enacted that in addition to the proper vouchers and accounts for the sums herein appropriated to the accounting-officers of the Treasury, the Commissioner of Agriculture shall present a detailed statement of the manner of the expenditure of the amounts hereby appropriated, to accompany his estimates to be presented at the next regular session of Congress: Provided, That no part of this sum shall be paid to any person receiving at the same time other compensation as an officer or employee of the government.

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.

For collecting agricultural statistics and compiling and writing matter for monthly, annual, and special reports, ten thousand dollars: Provided, That no part of this sum shall be paid to any person receiving at the same time other compensation as an officer or employee of the government.
PURCHASE AND DISTRIBUTION OF SEEDS, AND SO FORTH.

For the purchase and propagation and distribution, as required by law, of seeds, trees, shrubs, vines, cuttings, and plants, and expenses of putting up the same, eighty thousand dollars; an equal proportion of three-fourths of all seeds, plants, and cuttings shall, upon their request, be supplied to Senators, Representatives and Delegates in Congress for distribution among their agricultural constituents, or shall by their direction be sent to their constituents; and the persons receiving such seeds shall inform the department of the results of the experiments therewith: Provided, That five thousand dollars of this amount shall, in the discretion of the Commissioner of Agriculture, be devoted to experiments in connection with the culture and manufacture of tea, and shall be available immediately: Provided further, That three thousand dollars of this sum shall be expended in the discretion of the Commissioner in experiments for the improvement of the varieties and culture of cotton: And provided also, That the Commissioner shall report, as provided in this act, the place, quantity, and price of seeds purchased, from whom purchased, and the date of purchase; but nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent the Commissioner of Agriculture from sending flower, garden, and other seeds to those who apply for the same; and the amount herein appropriated shall not be diverted or used for any other purpose but for the purchase, propagation, and distribution of improved and valuable seeds, plants, cuttings, and vines.

EXPERIMENTAL GARDEN AND GROUNDS.

Labor and miscellaneous. For labor in experimental garden, five thousand dollars; plant-pots, two hundred and fifty dollars; repairing and painting greenhouses, and so forth, eight hundred dollars; new boiler for propagating-house, two hundred and fifty dollars; purchasing and propagating new plants and seeds of economic value, six hundred dollars; tools for greenhouses, one hundred and fifty dollars; repairs to heating apparatus, new pipes, and so forth, four hundred and fifty dollars; charcoal, sand, and sod for potting plants, one hundred dollars; in all, seven thousand six hundred dollars.

MUSEUM AND HERBARIUM.

Specimens of fruit, &c. For collecting and modeling specimens of fruit and vegetables, and collecting and preparing specimens for the museum and herbarium, one thousand dollars.

INVESTIGATION AS TO INSECTS INJURIOUS TO AGRICULTURE.

Insects. For investigating the history and habits of insects injurious to agriculture; for experiments in ascertaining the best means of destroying them; chemicals, traveling and other expenses in the practical work of the entomological division, five thousand dollars.

FURNITURE AND REPAIRS.

Furniture and repairs. For repairs of building, heating-apparatus, furniture, carpets, and matting, water and gas-pipes, and so forth, four thousand dollars.

For one fire and burglar proof safe, one thousand dollars; in all, five thousand dollars.

LIBRARY.

Library. For entomological and botanical works of reference, works on chemistry, mineralogy, and charts, current agricultural works for library, miscellaneous agricultural periodicals, and the completion of imperfect series, one thousand dollars.
LABORATORY.

For chemicals and apparatus for the use of the chemist and microscopist, and for necessary expenses in conducting experiments, four thousand dollars, to be available immediately. For the purpose of testing by scientific examination the textile strength, felting capacity, and other peculiarities of the different wools and animal fibers on exhibition at the International Sheep and Wool Exposition to be held in Philadelphia in eighteen hundred and eighty, four thousand dollars, to be available immediately.

For the purchase of machinery and apparatus, and for experiments in the manufacture of sugar from sorghum and corn-stalks and other sugar-producing plants seven thousand five hundred dollars; and out of the above sum the Commissioner of Agriculture is hereby authorized to pay to the chief chemist one thousand dollars as additional compensation for the next fiscal year, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to sell and apply the products of such manufacture in further experiments authorized by this provision.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

For stationery, freight, express charges, fuel, lights, subsistence and care of horses, repairs of harness and wagons, paper, twine, and gum for folding-room; and for miscellaneous items, namely, for advertising, telegraphing, dry goods, soap, brushes, brooms, mats, oils, paints, glass, lumber, hardware, ice, purchasing supplies; and for necessary items, including actual traveling expenses, while on the business of the department, ten thousand dollars.

INVESTIGATION OF DISEASES OF FARM-ANIMALS.

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

POSTAGE.

For postage on return letters, circulars, and miscellaneous articles, for correspondents and foreign letters, four thousand dollars.

ARID LANDS.

For the purpose of enabling the Commissioner of Agriculture to procure data touching the agricultural needs of the arid region of the United States, five thousand dollars. That with a view to the reclamation of the arid and waste lands lying in certain Western States and Territories the Commissioner of Agriculture is hereby authorized to contract for the sinking of two artesian wells on the plains east of the Rocky Mountains. The said wells are to be sunk at such places as the Commissioner of Agriculture may designate; and whenever the site of either of such wells shall be designated the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and required to declare the reservation of four square miles with the said site as nearly as possible in the centre thereof, and the land so reserved shall not be subject to sale or disposal under any law of the United States until such reservation has been released. Any party making a contract to sink an artesian well, under this act, shall at the end of each week after the work shall have been begun, forward to the Commissioner of Agriculture a report containing a statement of the character of the ground or rock through which the well is sunk, giving the thickness of the strata of each formation, and he shall furnish samples of all the different materials through which the well is sunk, and conform with all regulations.
made by the Commissioner of Agriculture. The sum of twenty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to carry out the objects of this provision, the same to be disbursed under such rules and regulations as the Commissioner of Agriculture shall prescribe.

For the purpose of enabling the Commissioner of Agriculture to continue an investigation and report upon the subject of forestry, five thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. The Commissioner of Agriculture is hereby directed and required to account and report to the proper accounting officers of the Treasury, in the same manner and at the same times, as the heads of executive departments of the government are now required by law to account and report.

SEC. 3. That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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CHAP. 253.—An act to constitute a Joint Commission for carrying into effect the Convention between the United States and the French Republic for the settlement of certain claims of the citizens of either country against the other, signed at Washington on the fifteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President shall nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate appoint a Commissioner, on the part of the United States, to hear and decide, conjointly with the Commissioner to be appointed on the part of the French Republic and the third Commissioner to be appointed by His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil, the claims comprehended in the provisions of the convention of January fifteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, between the United States and the French Republic.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the compensation of the said commissioner on the part of the United States shall be at such rate, not exceeding eight thousand dollars a year in money of the United States, as may be determined by agreement between the executive departments of this government and of the French Republic.

The compensation of said third Commissioner to be determined according to the provisions of said Convention not to exceed eight thousand dollars a year shall be paid as to one-half part thereof by the United States. The compensation of the Secretary to be appointed under the provisions of the said Convention shall be at such rate, not exceeding three thousand dollars a year in money of the United States, as may be determined in the manner aforesaid.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the President be, and hereby is, authorized to appoint a suitable person as agent on behalf of the United States to attend the Commissioners, to present and support claims on behalf of this government, to answer claims made upon it, and to represent it generally in all matters connected with the investigation and decision thereof; the compensation of such agent, not to exceed five thousand dollars a year, shall be determined by agreement between the executive departments of this government and of the French Republic. The President is hereby authorized to make such provision for the contingent expenses of the Commission, and for the taking of testimony on the part of the United States to be used before the same, as to him shall appear reasonable and proper. To defray the above mentioned expenses, salaries and compensations and to permit the agent of the United States to collect and produce such needful testimony on the part of this government, there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary under the provisions of this act, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, with the approval of the President.