CHAP. 25.—An act authorizing the conversion of national gold banks.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any national gold bank organized under the provisions of the laws of the United States, may, in the manner and subject to the provisions prescribed by section fifty-one hundred and fifty-four of the Revised Statutes of the United States, for the conversion of banks incorporated under the laws of any State, cease to be a gold bank, and become such an association as is authorized by section fifty-one hundred and thirty-three, for carrying on the business of banking, and shall have the same powers and privileges, and shall be subject to the same duties, responsibilities, and rules, in all respects, as are by law prescribed for such associations: Provided, That all certificates of organization which shall be issued under this act shall bear the date of the original organization of each bank respectively as a gold bank.

Approved, February 14, 1880.

CHAP. 30.—An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to appoint a deputy-collector at Lake Charles, Louisiana.

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 to appoint a deputy-collector at Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, State of Louisiana, who shall have power to enter and clear all vessels coming to that port.

Approved, February 24, 1880.

CHAP. 33.—An act for the relief of colored emigrants.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all clothing and other articles, being charitable contributions or the avails of charitable contributions, imported in good faith for the relief or aid of colored persons who may have emigrated from their homes to other States, and not for sale, and all such articles imported and now in bond, shall be admitted free of duty under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe: Provided, That such articles shall be delivered only to State or municipal corporations, or to some society or institution established for charitable purposes. And provided further, That the importers or consignees of such articles shall give such security as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe for the payment of lawful duties on such articles, should any of them be sold, or used contrary to the provisions and intent of this act. This act shall take effect from its passage and remain in force until February first, eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

Approved, March 5, 1880.

CHAP. 34.—An act to provide for the purchase of a site for a Post Office and other government buildings in the city of Baltimore, Maryland.

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 purchase at private sale, in the city of Baltimore, Maryland, the site selected by him in the square designated by him in his letter of December sixth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, bounded by Monument Square, Fayette, Lexington and North Streets, for a Post-Office and other government buildings and for this purpose there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of five hundred and
fifty thousand dollars: Provided, that no money hereby appropriated shall be used or applied for the purpose mentioned, until a valid title to the land for the said site shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Maryland shall duly release and relinquish to the United States all jurisdiction over the said land or piece of ground, also all rights to tax or in any way assess said land or the property of the United States that may be thereon, during the time that the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof.

Approved, March 5, 1880.

CHAP. 36.—An act making additional appropriations for the support of certain Indian tribes, for the year ending June thirtieth, 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 following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the urgent necessary additional expenses of certain Indian tribes, namely:

For care and support of the Pawnee Indians, in the Indian Territory, fifteen thousand dollars;

For care and support of the Shoshone Indians, in the Indian Territory, fifteen thousand dollars;

For subsistence and civilization of the Arapahoes, Cheyennes, Apaches, Kiowas, Comanches, and Wichitas who have been collected upon the reservation set apart for their use and occupation, eighty thousand dollars;

For subsistence and civilization of Nez Perces of Joseph's Band, in the Indian Territory, ten thousand dollars;

For advertising, at rates not exceeding regular commercial rates, telegraphing, inspection, and all other expenses connected with contracts and purchases for the Indian service, fifteen thousand dollars.

Approved, March 10, 1880.

CHAP. 37.—An act to amend section three thousand and twenty of the Revised Statutes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section three thousand and twenty of the Revised Statutes be so amended as to read as follows:

SEC. 3020. Where fire-arms, scales, balances, shovels, spades, axes, hatchets, hammers, plows, cultivators, mowing-machines, and reapers, manufactured with stock or handles made of wood grown in the United States, are exported for benefit of drawback under the preceding section, such articles shall be entitled to such drawback in all cases where the imported material exceeds one-half of the value of the material used. And where cans, manufactured in whole or in part of imported material, filled with products grown or produced in the United States, are exported for benefit of such drawback, the same shall, in all cases, be entitled to the drawback provided for in the preceding section where the imported material used in the manufacture of such cans shall equal seventy per centum of the value of all the material used in the manufacture thereof.

Approved, March 10, 1880.

CHAP. 38.—An act authorizing the Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of War to employ additional clerks for the balance of this fiscal year to expedite the settlement of pension applications, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropri-