CHAP. 50.—An act to provide for a building suitable for a post-office, for the accommodation of the revenue officers, and the United States courts and their officers, in the city of Charleston, West Virginia.

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 hereby is, authorized and directed to procure a proper site for and cause to be constructed a suitable building, with a fire-proof brick vault extending to each story, in the city of Charleston, West Virginia, for a post-office, and for the accommodation of United States revenue officers, and the United States courts and their officers; and the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause proper plans and estimates to be made, so that no expenditures shall be made or authorized, for the purchase of a site and the full completion of said building, beyond the sum herein appropriated, upon plans to be previously approved by the Secretary of the Treasury: Provided, That no money hereby appropriated shall be used or expended until the valid title to the land for a site, which site shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of at least fifty feet, including streets and alleys, shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of West Virginia shall cede its jurisdiction over the same, and also duly release and relinquish to the United States the right to tax or in any way assess said site, 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, April 9, 1880.

CHAP. 51.—An act to provide for the construction of a public building at the city of Paducah, State of Kentucky.

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 is hereby, authorized and directed to purchase a site at Paducah, Ky., for, and cause to be constructed, a suitable building, of bricks or stone, with fire-proof vaults, for the accommodation of post-office, United States district court, and internal-revenue and other government offices, at the city of Paducah, State of Kentucky; and that for this purpose there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall, upon the passage of this act, cause the proper plans and specifications to be made so that no expenditures shall be made or authorized, for the purchase of a site and the full completion of said building, beyond the sum herein appropriated upon plans to be previously approved by the Secretary of the Treasury; only one half of said sum to be expended during present fiscal year: Provided, That no part of the money herein appropriated shall be expended until a valid title to the site of said building which site shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of at least fifty feet, including streets and alleys shall be vested in the United States, and until the State of Kentucky shall duly relinquish and release its jurisdiction over the same, and its right to tax said site and the property thereon belonging to the United States.

Approved, April 14, 1880.

CHAP. 52.—An act making appropriations for acquiring sites and the erection of suitable posts for the protection of the Rio Grande frontier.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any