

Appropriation. money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of
 Military posts. acquiring sites and erecting thereon such military posts on or near the
 Rio Grande frontier as may be deemed necessary by the Secretary of
 War for the adequate protection thereof: *Provided*, That none of said
Proviso. appropriation shall be used for the purposes aforesaid until a valid title
 Title of sites. to said sites be vested in the United States: *And provided further*, That
Proviso. the State of Texas shall duly release and relinquish to the United States
 Jurisdiction of the right to assess or tax said sites, or any of them, or any improve-
 United States. ments placed thereon for military purposes, so long as the United States
 shall remain the owner thereof.

Approved, April 16, 1880.

April 16, 1880. **CHAP. 53.**—An act donating six condemned cannon and cannon-balls to Post Number Sixty-six, Grand Army of the Republic, of Muncy, Pennsylvania, for monumental purposes.

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 hereby is, authorized to deliver, if the same can be done without detriment to the government, to Post Number Sixty-six, Grand Army of the Republic, of Muncy, Pennsylvania, six condemned cannon and cannon-balls, to be used in ornamenting a monument erected in honor of the deceased soldiers of said Muncy, Pennsylvania.

Approved, April 16, 1880.

April 16, 1880. **CHAP. 54.**—An act to donate twelve condemned bronze cannon to the Blair Monument Association of Saint Louis, Missouri.

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 is hereby, authorized and directed to deliver to the Blair Monument Association, of Saint Louis, Missouri, or its proper officers, twelve condemned bronze cannon, if the same can be spared without injury to the public service, for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a monument to the late Major-General Francis P. Blair, junior, at the city of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Approved, April 16, 1880.

April 16, 1880. **CHAP. 55.**—An act to change the name of the steamer "J. H. Kelly" to "John Thorn"

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 is hereby authorized to change the name of the steamer "J. H. Kelly", of Clayton, New York, to "John Thorn", by which name said steamer may be licensed and known.

Approved, April 16, 1880.

April 16, 1880. **CHAP. 56.**—An act relating to justices of the peace in the Territories.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when from any cause there shall be a vacancy in the office of justice of the peace in any of the Territories of the United States, it shall be lawful to fill such vacancy by appointment or election, in such manner as has been or may be provided by the governor and legislative assembly of such Territory: *Provided*, That such appointee, or person elected to fill such vacancy, shall hold office only until his successor shall be regularly elected and qualified as provided by law.