being for the necessary articles of office, toilet, and desk furniture, stationery, binding, maps, books of reference, and police utensils, two thousand dollars.

For binding reports and orders, and purchasing books of reference and maps for the Inspector-General's Department, five hundred dollars.

Approved, June 13, 1890.

CHAP. 424.—An act for the relief of the board of the commissioners of the sinking fund of the city of Louisville, 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 and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue be, and are hereby, authorized and required to audit and adjust the claim of the board of the sinking fund commissioners of the city of Louisville, Kentucky, for internal revenue taxes on dividends on shares of stock owned by said board for said city of Louisville in the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, to the extent that such taxes were deducted from any dividends due and payable to said board, and to pass upon said claim and render judgment thereon in the same manner and with the same effect as if said claim had been presented and prosecuted within the time limited and fixed by law.

Approved, June 16, 1890.

CHAP. 425.—An act for the erection of a shop at the National Armory, Springfield, Massachusetts.

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 and directed to cause to be erected at the National Armory, Springfield, Massachusetts, a fireproof building for machine shop, finishing shops, and so forth, including steam engine, boilers, shop fixtures, heating, lighting, grading, and so forth. The plans, specifications, and full estimates for said building shall be previously made and approved according to law, and shall not exceed for said building complete the sum of two hundred and eleven thousand six hundred and thirty-nine dollars and fifty-four cents.

Approved, June 16, 1890.

CHAP. 426.—An act to prevent desertions from the Army, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the first day of July, eighteen hundred and ninety, there shall be retained from the pay of each enlisted man of the Army the sum of four dollars per month of his monthly pay for the first year of his enlistment, which said sum shall not be paid him until his discharge from the service, and shall be forfeited unless he serves honestly and faithfully to the date of discharge: Provided, That the Secretary of War shall determine what misconduct shall constitute a failure to render honest and faithful service within the meaning of this act; but no soldier who has deserted at any time during the term of an enlistment shall be deemed to have served such term honestly and faithfully: Provided, also, That the sums retained from the monthly pay of enlisted men, in accordance with section one of this act and sec-