

made by the State, its counties and cities, and by private corporations and by individuals, shall amount to at least the sum of one-half million of dollars.

Approved, December 22, 1896.

CHAP. 2.—An Act Making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes.

December 22, 1896.

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 not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of pensions for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes, namely:

Pensions appropriations.

For army and navy pensions, as follows: For invalids, widows, minor children, dependent relatives, army nurses, and all other pensioners who are now borne on the rolls, or who may hereafter be placed thereon, under the provisions of any and all Acts of Congress, one hundred and forty million dollars: *Provided,* That the appropriation aforesaid for navy pensions shall be paid from the income of the navy pension fund, so far as the same may be sufficient for that purpose: *Provided further,* That the amount paid to each of the several classes of pensioners shall be accounted for separately.

Invalid, etc., pensions.

For fees and expenses of examining surgeons for services rendered within the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, seven hundred thousand dollars. And each member of each examining board shall, as now authorized by law, receive the sum of two dollars for the examination of each applicant whenever five or a less number shall be examined on any one day, and one dollar for the examination of each additional applicant on such day: *Provided,* That if twenty or more applicants appear on one day, no fewer than twenty shall, if practicable, be examined on said day, and that if fewer examinations be then made, twenty or more having appeared, then there shall be paid for the first examinations made on the next examination day the fee of one dollar only until twenty examinations shall have been made: *Provided further,* That no fee shall be paid to any member of an examining board unless personally present and assisting in the examination of applicant: *Provided,* That the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which in their judgment the applicant is entitled to.

Provisos.
Navy pensions.

Accounts.

Examining surgeons.
Fees, etc.

Provisos.
Examinations.

No fee unless service rendered.

Rating.

For salaries of eighteen agents for the payment of pensions, at four thousand dollars each, seventy-two thousand dollars.

Agents' salaries.

For clerk hire, four hundred and thirty thousand dollars: *Provided,* That the amount of clerk hire for each agency shall be apportioned as nearly as practicable in proportion to the number of pensioners paid at each agency, and the salaries paid shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

Clerk hire.
Proviso.
Apportionment.

For fuel, two hundred and fifty dollars.

Fuel.

For lights, five hundred dollars.

Lights.

For stationery and other necessary expenses, thirty-five thousand dollars.

Stationery, etc.

For rents, twenty-six thousand one hundred and thirty dollars.

Rents.

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CHAP. 3.—An Act Making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and for prior years, and for other purposes.

December 22, 1896.

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

Urgent deficiencies appropriations.

not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and for other objects hereinafter stated, namely:

Treasury Department.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Contingent expenses, Independent Treasury.
R. S., sec. 3653, p. 719.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES, INDEPENDENT TREASURY: For contingent expenses under the requirements of section thirty-six hundred and fifty-three of the Revised Statutes of the United States, for the collection, safe-keeping, transfer, and disbursement of the public money, and for transportation of notes, bonds, and other securities of the United States for the fiscal years as follows:

For the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, one hundred thousand dollars.

For the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-six, two thousand and four dollars and twenty-one cents.

Public buildings.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Columbus, Ga.

For completion of post-office at Columbus, Georgia, four thousand dollars.

Navy.

NAVY DEPARTMENT.

Bureau of Construction and Repair.

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Preservation, repair, etc., of vessels.

Preservation and completion of vessels on the stocks and in ordinary; purchase of materials and stores of all kinds; steam steerers, pneumatic steerers, steam capstans, steam windlasses, and other steam auxiliaries; labor in navy-yards and on foreign stations; purchase of machinery and tools for use in shops; wear, tear, and repair of vessels afloat; general care, increase, and protection of the Navy in the line of construction and repair; incidental expenses, such as advertising, freight, foreign postage, telegrams, telephone service, photographing, books, professional magazines, plans, stationery, and instruments for drafting room, five hundred thousand dollars.

Bureau of Steam Engineering.

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Repairs to machinery, etc.

To carry on the current work of the Bureau in repairs to machinery of naval vessels, and furnishing necessary stores and supplies therefor, two hundred thousand dollars.

Department of Justice.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

Clerk and messengers.

For compensation of one clerk, class four, from January first to June thirtieth, inclusive, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, nine hundred dollars.

For compensation of two assistant messengers from January first to June thirtieth, inclusive, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, seven hundred and twenty dollars.

Judicial.

JUDICIAL.

Court of Private Land Claims.
Appropriation continued available.
Ante, p. 448.

That the appropriation of ten thousand dollars made in the sundry civil appropriation Act approved June eleventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, to enable the Attorney-General to employ such assistant attorneys, agents, stenographers, and experts to aid the United States attorney for the Court of Private Land Claims, as may be necessary is hereby made available for expenses incurred during the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and until the expiration of the term of service of said court.

That the oath or oaths required to be taken by marshals and deputy marshals before entering upon the duties of their respective offices may be administered by any officer of the United States or of any State authorized by law to administer oaths.

Oaths of marshals.

That United States marshals may receive credit in the settlement of their accounts for amounts paid by them to their deputies for services heretofore rendered, notwithstanding any of said deputies may not have taken oaths of office in compliance with sections seven hundred and eighty-two and seventeen hundred and fifty-six or seventeen hundred and fifty-seven, Revised Statutes of the United States, prior to the rendition of said services.

Accounts of deputies' services.
R. S., secs. 782, 1756, 1757, pp. 147, 312, 313.

For fees of United States attorneys in the District of Columbia, twenty-two thousand six hundred dollars.

Attorneys, District of Columbia.

To establish a site for the erection of a penitentiary on the military reservation at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and for other purposes, under the Act of June tenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, twenty-five thousand dollars.

United States penitentiary.
Site.
Ante, p. 380.

LEGISLATIVE.

Legislative.

For payment of the messengers of the respective States for conveying to the seat of Government the votes of the electors of said States for President and Vice-President of the United States, at the rate of twenty-five cents for every mile of the estimated distance by the most usual road traveled from the place of meeting of the electors to the seat of Government of the United States, computed for the one distance only, six hundred dollars.

Messengers of electoral votes.

SENATE.

Senate.

For folding speeches and pamphlets, at a rate not exceeding one dollar per thousand, five thousand five hundred and twenty-three dollars and seven cents.

Folding.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

For miscellaneous items and expenses of special and select committees, twenty thousand dollars.

House of Representatives.

Miscellaneous, etc., expenses.

For fuel and oil for the heating apparatus, three thousand dollars.

Fuel and oil.

To pay the account of the Keystone File Company, five hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fifty cents.

Keystone File Company, payment to.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

Public printing.

That the unexpended balances of the appropriations made for printing and binding for the Supreme Court of the United States for the fiscal years eighteen hundred and ninety-six and eighteen hundred and ninety-seven shall be expended under the direction of that court, and the printing for that court shall be done by the printer it may employ, unless it shall otherwise order.

Appropriations for Supreme Court continued.

Approved, December 22, 1896.

CHAP. 4.—An Act To amend title sixty, chapter three, of the Revised Statutes, relating to copyrights.

January 6, 1897.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section forty-nine hundred and sixty-six of the Revised Statutes be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Copyrights.

“SEC. 4966. Any person publicly performing or representing any dramatic or musical composition for which a copyright has been

Dramatic and musical compositions.