duties as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe: \textit{Provided}, That all such articles, when sold or withdrawn for consumption in the United States, shall be subject to the duty, if any, imposed upon such articles by the revenue laws in force at the date of importation, and all penalties prescribed by law shall be applied and enforced against such articles and against the persons who may be guilty of any illegal sale or withdrawal: \textit{And provided further}, That all necessary expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this section, including salaries of customs officials in charge of imported articles, shall be paid to the Treasury of the United States by the Ohio Centennial Company, under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

\textbf{SEC. 5.} That medals with appropriate devices, emblems, and inscriptions commemorative of said Ohio Centennial and Northwest Territory Exposition and of the awards to be made to exhibitors thereat be prepared at some mint in the United States for the board of directors thereof, subject to the provisions of the fifty-second section of the coinage Act of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, upon the payment by the Ohio Centennial Company of a sum not less than the cost thereof; and all the provisions, whether penal or otherwise, of said coinage Act against the counterfeiting or imitating of coins of the United States shall apply to the medal struck and issued under this Act.

\textbf{SEC. 6.} That the United States shall in no manner and under no circumstances be liable for any bond, debt, contract, expenditure, expense, or liability of any kind whatever of the said Ohio Centennial Company, its officers, agents, servants, or employees, or incident to or growing out of said exposition, nor for any amount whatever in excess of the five hundred thousand dollars herein authorized; and the heads of the Executive Departments, the Smithsonian Institution and National Museum, the Commission of Fish and Fisheries, the Department of Labor, and the Bureau of American Republics, and the board of management herein authorized, their officers, agents, servants, or employees, shall in no manner and under no circumstances expend or create any liability of any kind for any amount in excess of the appropriations herein made or create any deficiency.

\textbf{SEC. 7.} That at the close of the Ohio Centennial and Northwest Territory Exposition the exhibits of the United States Government shall be returned to the several departments or bureaus from which they were received; and such collections as may be acquired by the board by purchase, preparation, gift, or otherwise, illustrating the natural resources, industries, customs, and commerce of the other American Republics, shall be placed for permanent preservation in the United States National Museum.

\textbf{SEC. 8.} That the appropriation herein made, of five hundred thousand dollars in all, shall take effect and become available immediately upon the proof being made to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury that the conditions prescribed in section three of this Act have been complied with.

Approved, March 3, 1899.
March 3, 1899.

CHAP. 436.—An Act To amend an Act entitled “An Act to suspend the operation of certain provisions of law relating to the War Department, and for other purposes.”

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an Act entitled “An Act to suspend the operation of certain provisions of law relating to the War Department, and for other purposes,” approved June seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

“That the operation of the following provisions of law be, and is hereby, continued suspended for such further time as, in the discretion of the Secretary of War, may be found necessary, or until otherwise provided by Congress, not longer, however, than March first, nineteen hundred, namely:

First. The provision of the first section of the Act entitled ‘An Act making appropriations for the support of the Army for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and for other purposes,’ in the following words:

‘Provided, That hereafter no part of this appropriation shall be expended in the purchase for the Army of draft animals until the number on hand shall be reduced to five thousand, and thereafter shall only be expended for the purchase of a number sufficient to keep the supply up to five thousand.’

Second. The provisions of the first section of the Act entitled ‘An Act making appropriations for the support of the Army for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and for other purposes,’ in the following words:

‘Provided, That hereafter no part of the appropriations for the Quartermaster’s Department shall be expended on printing unless the same shall be done by contract, after due notice and competition, except in such cases as the emergency will not admit of the giving notice for competition: Provided further, That after advertisement all the supplies for the use of the various departments and posts of the Army and of the branches of the army service shall hereafter be purchased where