Sec. 4. That all claims, accounts, debts, things in action, or other matters of business of whatever nature now existing for or against the present Great Council of the United States of the Improved Order of Red Men, mentioned in section one of this Act, shall survive and succeed to and against the body corporate and politic hereby created: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend the operation of any law which provides for the extinguishment of claims or contracts by limitations of time.

Sec. 5. That said corporation shall have a constitution and laws which shall provide for the government of the various branches of said Improved Order of Red Men subordinate to and controlled by said Great Council of the United States and define the qualifications for membership in said Improved Order of Red Men, which constitution and laws said corporation shall have power to amend at pleasure.

Sec. 6. That said corporation shall not engage in any business for gain, the purposes of said corporation being fraternal, benevolent, and patriotic in providing benefits to its members, care for orphans and widows of members, and to inspire a greater love for the United States of America and the principles of American liberty.

Sec. 7. That Congress may at any time amend, alter, or repeal this Act.

Sec. 8. That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, April 16, 1906.

CHAP. 1633.—An Act Making appropriations to supply additional urgent deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and six, and for prior years, and for other purposes.

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, to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and six, and for prior years, and for other objects hereinafter stated, namely:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

To meet the actual and necessary expenses of the delegates of the United States to the Third International Conference of American States to be held at the city of Rio de Janeiro, beginning on the twenty-first day of July, nineteen hundred and six, and of their salaried clerical assistants, to be expended in the discretion of the Secretary of State, and to continue available during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and seven, seventy-five thousand dollars.

To enable the Government to participate in the Second International Peace Conference to be convened at The Hague, the Netherlands, and for the payment of the compensation and expenses of a commission thereto on the part of the United States, fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, and to continue available during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and seven.

To enable the Government to participate in the International Conference for the Revision of the Geneva Convention of August twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, which is to convene at Geneva, Switzerland, on June eleventh, nineteen hundred and six, and for the payment of the compensation and expenses of delegates thereto on the part of the United States, of whom one shall be an officer of the Army
and one of the Navy, fifteen thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, and to continue available during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and seven.

**TREASURY DEPARTMENT.**

For transportation of fractional silver coin, by registered mail or otherwise, ten thousand dollars; and in expending this sum the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to transport from the Treasury or subtreasuries, free of charge, fractional silver coin, when requested to do so: Provided, That an equal amount in coin or currency shall have been deposited in the Treasury or such subtreasuries by the applicant or applicants. And the Secretary of the Treasury shall report to Congress the cost arising under this appropriation.

**INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.**

To enable the Interstate Commerce Commission to give effect to the provisions of the Act to regulate commerce and all Acts and amendments supplementary thereto, including the joint resolution "instructing the Interstate Commerce Commission to make examinations into the subject of railroad discriminations and monopolies in coal and oil, and report on the same from time to time," approved March seventh, nineteen hundred and six, the sum of forty-five thousand dollars is hereby transferred to said Commission, and made available for the remainder of the fiscal year nineteen hundred and six, from the balance of the appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars for the enforcement of "An Act to regulate commerce" and all Acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto, and other Acts mentioned in said appropriation, made in the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation Act for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and four, and reappropriated for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and six by the sundry civil appropriation Act, under the Department of Justice: Provided, That the total amount that may be expended in the employment of counsel by the Interstate Commerce Commission shall not exceed the sum of forty-five thousand dollars during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and six.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is authorized to employ such temporary employees as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of said joint resolution, approved March seventh, nineteen hundred and six, and to fix their compensation; but clerks and stenographers shall be appointed only on certification by the Civil Service Commission.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.**

For contingent expenses of the government of the District of Columbia, including the same objects specified under this title of appropriation in the District of Columbia appropriation Act for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and six, two hundred and seventy-nine dollars and nine cents.

For contingent expenses, horseshoeing, furniture, fixtures, oil, medical and stable supplies, harness, blacksmithing, gas and electric lighting, flags and halyards, and other necessary items, for the fire department, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For the collection and disposal of garbage and dead animals, miscellaneous refuse and ashes from private residences in the city of Washington and the more densely populated suburbs; for collection and disposal of night soil in the District of Columbia, and for the payment of necessary inspection, livery of horses, and incidental expenses,
forty-six thousand six hundred and forty-six dollars and forty-two cents, one-half of the foregoing amounts to meet deficiencies in the appropriations on account of the District of Columbia shall be paid from the revenues of the District of Columbia and one-half from the Treasury of the United States.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

For completion of the contract for grading and filling the reservation at Washington Barracks, District of Columbia, entered into by Captain John Stephen Sewell, Corps of Engineers, in May, nineteen hundred and three, twenty-five thousand five hundred dollars.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

For the completion of the resurveys in San Diego County, California, authorized by Act of Congress approved July first, nineteen hundred and two, including the surveying out by metes and bounds of all valid claims of record up to March thirty-first, nineteen hundred and six, twenty thousand dollars.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

For miscellaneous items and expenses of special and select committees, exclusive of salaries and labor, unless specifically ordered by the House of Representatives, twenty-five thousand dollars.

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

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to transfer on the books of the Treasury Department from the amount to the credit of the appropriation for public printing and binding for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and six, the sum of forty thousand dollars to the appropriation for leaves of absence, Government Printing Office, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and six, to enable the Public Printer to comply with the provisions of the law granting thirty days annual leave to the employees of the Government Printing Office during the balance of the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and six.

Approved, April 16, 1906.

CHAP. 1634.—An Act For the relief of certain settlers upon land within the indemnity limits of the present Saint Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway Company.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all qualified homesteaders who made settlement upon and improved any of the land hereinafter designated and who were prevented from securing title to such land by reason of the contracts hereinafter described shall, in making final proof upon homestead entries made for other lands, be given credit for the period of their bona fide residence on and the amount of their respective improvements upon the land for which they were so prevented from completing title, including the time of continuous residence upon and improvements of said land while defending in good faith their respective claims thereto as homestead settlers. The land above referred to is that part of the indemnity grant to the Saint Paul,