

lar tax roll of the District of Columbia, and shall be collected in the manner provided for the collection of other taxes.

When to take effect.

SEC. 17. That this Act, in so far as it affects privies hereafter to be erected or existing in said District at the time of its passage, otherwise than in conformity to the laws in force at that time, shall take effect upon its passage; in so far as it affects privies existing in said District at the time of its passage, in conformity to the laws in force at that time, it shall take effect one year after date of said passage.

Repeal.

SEC. 18. That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Approved, January 25, 1898.

January 27, 1898.

CHAP. 10.—An Act To amend section twenty-two hundred and thirty-four of the Revised Statutes.

Public and Indian lands. R. S., sec. 2234, p. 392, amended.

Accountability of receivers for sales, etc.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section twenty-two hundred and thirty-four of the Revised Statutes of the United States is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

“SEC. 2234. There shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a register of the land office and a receiver of public moneys for each land district established by law, who shall have charge of and attend to the sale of public and Indian lands within their respective districts, as provided by law and official regulations, and receivers shall be accountable under their official bonds for the proceeds of such sales, and for all fees, commissions, or other moneys received by them under any provision of law or official regulation.”

Approved, January 27, 1898.

January 28, 1898.

CHAP. 11.—An Act Making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for prior years, and for other purposes.

Urgent deficiencies appropriations.

*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 eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other objects hereinafter stated, namely:

Department of State.

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Commercial Bureau of American Republics. Nicaragua Canal Commission. Surveys, etc. Vol. 28, p. 948.

For Commercial Bureau of American Republics, forty-one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two dollars.

NICARAGUA CANAL COMMISSION: To continue the surveys and examinations authorized by the Act approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled “An Act making appropriations for the sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, and for other purposes,” into the proper route, the feasibility and cost of construction of the Nicaragua Canal, with the view of making complete plans for the entire work of construction of such canal as therein provided, one hundred thousand dollars; to continue available during the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Library of Congress.

#### LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

Contingent expenses.

For contingent expenses of the Library, one thousand dollars

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Treasury Depart-  
ment.

**OFFICE OF AUDITOR FOR STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS:** For the following additional clerks from February first to June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, inclusive: Two clerks of class four; and two clerks of class three; in all, two thousand eight hundred and fourteen dollars and forty cents.

Auditor for State,  
etc., Departments.  
Additional clerks.

**COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY:** For the survey of the Yukon River in Alaska, to be expended under the direction of the Superintendent of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, this sum to continue available until the close of the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and to include all necessary expenses, such as the building of a boat suitable for navigating the waters to be surveyed, outfit, stores, subsistence, pilots, labor, transportation, boats, and repairs, one hundred thousand dollars, ten thousand dollars of which sum may be used for the survey of the Copper River in Alaska.

Coast and Geodetic  
Survey.  
Survey of Yukon  
and Copper rivers.  
Alaska, etc.

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS:** For post-office at Columbus, Georgia: For completion of building, two thousand dollars.

Public buildings.  
Columbus, Ga.

For post-office at Washington, District of Columbia: For completion of building, one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars. And as soon as said post-office building in the city of Washington is completed and ready for occupancy, said building shall be occupied as follows: All of the first floor, including the mezzanine floors, and so much of the basement as may be necessary and convenient in the opinion of the Postmaster-General, by the city post-office, and any space in said basement not necessary therefor shall be used for the purposes of the Post-Office Department; the second, third and fourth floors, with the exceptions hereinafter provided, by the Post-Office Department; the fifth floor by the executive officers of the Post-Office Department and of the Auditor for the Post-Office Department; the sixth and seventh floors by the Auditor for the Post-Office Department, and four thousand square feet of office floor space on the fourth floor, to be assigned by the Postmaster-General; and the entire force of the Post-Office Department and of the Auditor for the Post-Office Department shall be, on the completion of said building, removed thereto. That all the space in said building above the first floor so provided for, other than the fifth floor, shall be assigned as aforesaid on the basis of an average of not exceeding one hundred square feet of floor space to each clerk, which space is also to accommodate current files. All space on the fourth floor not needed after the assignments herein provided for upon the basis fixed therefor, shall hereafter be utilized under assignments made by the Postmaster-General, to cover the increase of clerical force in the Post-Office Department and the Auditor for the Post-Office Department. The ninth floor of said building shall be used under the direction of the Postmaster-General for the storing of files for the Post-Office Department and the Auditor for the Post-Office Department. All the office floor space in the eighth floor of said building shall be assigned by the Secretary of the Treasury to clerical force of offices or bureaus of the Government now occupying rented quarters in the city of Washington, on the same basis as to square feet of space indicated above as applied to the Post-Office Department and Auditor's Office; and said building, immediately upon its occupation as herein indicated, shall be under the custody and control of the Postmaster-General.

Washington, D. C.  
Completion of post.  
office.

Assignment of  
space, etc.

**MINTS AND ASSAY OFFICES:** For freight on bullion and coin, by registered mail or otherwise, between mints and assay offices, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Mints and assay  
offices.

**PAY OF ASSISTANT CUSTODIANS AND JANITORS:** For pay of assistant custodians and janitors, including all personal services in connection with the care of all public buildings under control of the Treasury Department outside of the District of Columbia, twenty-three thousand dollars.

Assistant custodi-  
ans and janitors.

**FURNITURE AND REPAIRS OF FURNITURE:** For furniture for the new public buildings named in House Document Numbered One hun-

Furniture, etc.

dred and ninety-one, Fifty-fifth Congress, second session, sixty-four thousand dollars. And all furniture now owned by the United States in cities where said new buildings are located shall be used, as far as practicable, in furnishing said buildings, whether it corresponds with the present regulation plans for furniture or not.

United States securities.  
Distinctive paper.

**DISTINCTIVE PAPER FOR UNITED STATES SECURITIES:** To supply a deficiency in the appropriation for distinctive paper for United States securities, on account of the fiscal years as follows:

For the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, twenty thousand six hundred and forty-six dollars.

Omaha Exposition.  
Purchase, etc. Government exhibit.  
*Ante*, p. 26, amended.

**OMAHA EXPOSITION:** That the paragraph in the "Act making appropriation for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes," approved June fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, making appropriation of two hundred thousand dollars for construction of building or buildings and for Government exhibit, be amended in the second line thereof by adding after the word "including," the following words: the selection, purchase, preparation, installation, care and.

District of Columbia.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Western High School building.

For completion of the Western High School building, thirty-three thousand dollars.

For equipment of the Western High School, fifteen thousand dollars. For grading, laying out walks and drives, and fencing the grounds of the Western High School, six thousand dollars.

J. C. Hurst, payment to.

To pay J. C. Hurst for lots thirty-five and thirty-six, block one, of Clark and Hurst's subdivision of part of White Haven, one thousand seven hundred and two dollars and eighty-three cents.

Reform School for Girls.

To pay the salary of the treasurer of the Reform School for Girls for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, six hundred dollars.

Militia.  
Transfer of appropriation.  
Vol. 29, p. 683.

The unexpended balance of the appropriation of fourteen thousand dollars for rent, fuel, light, care, and repair of armories, militia of the District of Columbia, made by the District appropriation Act for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, may be applied by the general commanding the militia of the District of Columbia, under the authority of the Commissioners of the District, to contingent expenses of the said militia.

One-half of appropriations from District revenues, etc.

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 any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated.

Fish Commission.

### FISH COMMISSION.

St. Johnsbury, Vt.  
Dwelling house.

For the completion of a dwelling house for the superintendent of the station of the United States Commission of Fish and Fisheries at Saint Johnsbury, Vermont, one thousand dollars.

Water supply.

For acquiring necessary additional water supply at said station, three thousand dollars. This sum is to be available under a contract to be conditioned that no money shall be paid thereunder until after a supply of water shall be obtained satisfactory to the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries.

Battle Creek, Cal.  
Cultural station.

For the purchase of land and buildings for a fish-cultural station in the State of California, at a suitable point on Battle Creek, to be selected by the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, three thousand five hundred dollars.

Green Lake, Me.  
Steamer.

For the purchase of the steamer Senator for the Green Lake station, Maine, one thousand five hundred dollars.

"Fish Hawk."

For the completion of new boilers and other necessary general repairs to the hull and machinery of the steamer Fish Hawk, eighteen thousand six hundred and forty dollars.

For purchase or construction of a steam launch for use of the steamer "Albatross," launch, four thousand dollars.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

War Department.

MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT.

Military establishment.

To supply deficiencies in the appropriations for pay, and so forth, of the Army for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, as follows:

Pay of Army, etc.

For pay of officers, twenty-eight thousand dollars;

For pay to officers for length of service, twelve thousand dollars;

For additional pay for length of service to enlisted men, forty-five thousand dollars; in all, eighty-five thousand dollars.

MILITARY ACADEMY.

Military Academy.

For field musicians: One corporal, being for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, twenty-four dollars.

Field musicians.

NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

For construction at the Danville Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, at Danville, Illinois, of barracks, to cost in all not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, bakery and kitchen, boiler house, coal shed, officers' quarters, guardhouse, headquarters, laundry, memorial hall and chapel, mess hall, quartermaster's and commissary's storeroom; for all necessary furniture, machinery, and equipments for said barracks and other buildings, including the hospital; for fencing, grading, and sewerage; for waterworks and piping; heating plant, piping, and fixtures; and for additional land, to cost not exceeding ten thousand dollars, the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers are authorized to enter into contract or contracts, to be paid for as appropriations may be made from time to time by law, not exceeding in the aggregate for all of said enumerated objects the sum of five hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, toward which there is hereby appropriated the sum of one hundred thousand dollars.

Danville Branch. New buildings, additional land, etc. Post, p. 1112.

For the Marion Branch, namely: For electric-light plant (provided such amount of the appropriation for repairs for the Marion Branch for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, as may be spared is made available), three thousand five hundred dollars; for barn; one thousand one hundred and thirty dollars; and for lodge and gateway, thirty-four dollars; in all, four thousand six hundred and sixty-four dollars.

Marion Branch. Electric light, barn, etc.

NATIONAL CEMETERIES.

National cemeteries.

For the repair and improvement of the national cemetery at the city of Fort Smith, in the State of Arkansas, and for rebuilding and furnishing the lodge and other buildings in said cemetery, and restoring and repairing the monuments of the dead therein, fifteen thousand dollars.

Fort Smith, Ark.

NAVY DEPARTMENT.

Navy Department.

BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR: For 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 all other auxiliaries; labor in navy-yards and on foreign stations; purchase of machinery and tools for use in shops; carrying on work of experimental model tank; wear, tear, and repair of vessels afloat; general care, increase, and protection of the Navy in the line of construction and repair; incidental expenses,

Bureau of Construction and Repair.

such as advertising, freight, foreign postage, telegrams, telephone service, photographing, books, professional magazines, plans, stationery, and instruments for drafting room, six hundred thousand dollars.

Bureau of Steam  
Engineering.

**BUREAU OF STEAM ENGINEERING:** For completion, repairing, and preservation of machinery and boilers of naval vessels, including cost of new boilers; distilling, refrigerating, and auxiliary machinery; preservation of and small repairs to machinery and boilers in vessels in ordinary, receiving, and training vessels; repair and care of machinery of yard tugs and launches; for purchase, handling, and preservation of material and stores; purchase, fitting, repair, and preservation of machinery and tools in navy-yards and stations, and running yard engines, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Bureau of Yards and  
Docks.

**BUREAU OF YARDS AND DOCKS:** Repairs and preservation at navy-yards and stations: For preparing building numbered fourteen, navy-yard, New York, and transferring to it the lighting and heating plant, and tools from yards and docks shop, building numbered seventy-five, which has been condemned as dangerous, forty thousand dollars.

For completing the necessary repairs to dry dock numbered three, and removing the cofferdam after the repairs are completed and making good the quay walls and entrances to said dry dock, fifty thousand dollars.

Interior Depart-  
ment.

#### INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

Repairs to build-  
ings.

For repairs of Interior Department and Pension buildings, to meet the expenses of repairs to heating and lighting apparatus, including purchase of new machinery and other materials, two thousand dollars.

Indian affairs.

#### INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Surveys, etc.

For completion by the Geological Survey of the survey of the lands in the Indian Territory, thirty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

For surveying and allotting Indian reservations, eight thousand dollars.

Ute Commission.

For pay and expenses of Ute Commission, twelve thousand six hundred and sixty dollars.

Southern Ute Reser-  
vation, Colo.  
Survey of east  
boundary.

That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, in connection with the survey and establishment of the east boundary of the Southern Ute Reservation, in Colorado, from the point established by the United States Geological Survey at the intersection of the one hundred and seventh degree of longitude with the thirty-seventh degree of north latitude to the northeast corner of said reservation, and for the continuation of the north and south boundaries of said reservation to connect with said east boundary, to allow, in his discretion, such rates of mileage, or such per diem compensation and necessary expenses as will secure the prompt execution of the work. The cost attending said survey to be paid from the appropriation of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, per section nine of the Act of Congress entitled "An Act to accept and ratify the agreement submitted by the confederated bands of Ute Indians in Colorado, for the sale of their reservation in said State, and for other purposes, and to make the necessary appropriations for carrying out the same," approved June fifteenth, eighteen hundred and eighty.

Allowance of mile-  
age, etc.

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Surveyor-general of  
Alaska.  
Salaries.

#### OFFICE OF SURVEYOR-GENERAL OF ALASKA.

For salary of surveyor-general from November fifth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, to June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, inclusive, one thousand three hundred and nine dollars and eighty cents; for clerk in his office from January first to June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, inclusive, nine hundred dollars; in all, two thousand two hundred and nine dollars and eighty cents.

For rent of office for surveyor-general, pay of messenger, stationery, books, fuel, light, binding of records, purchase of furniture, and other incidental expenses, one thousand dollars.

Rent, etc.

PUBLIC LAND SERVICE.

Public land service.

For examination of public surveys in the several surveying districts, in order to test the accuracy of the work in the field, and to prevent payment for fraudulent and imperfect surveys returned by deputy surveyors, and for examination of surveys heretofore made and reported to be defective or fraudulent, and inspecting mineral deposits, coal fields, and timber districts, and for making such other surveys or examinations as may be required for identification of lands for purposes of evidence in any suit or proceeding in behalf of the United States, authority is hereby granted to use of the appropriation for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, for surveying the public lands, not exceeding twenty thousand dollars in addition to the sum of forty thousand dollars heretofore authorized of said appropriation by the sundry civil appropriation Act for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Examination of public surveys, etc.

Inspecting mineral deposits, etc.

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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Geological Survey.

For the geological and topographical surveys in Alaska, twenty thousand dollars, to continue available until the close of the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Alaska.

For the payment for the transmission of public documents through the Smithsonian exchange, two thousand three hundred and nineteen dollars and twenty-five cents.

Transmission of public documents.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

Post-Office Department.

OUT OF THE POSTAL REVENUES.

Postmarking and rating stamps, and repairs to same, and ink and pads for stamping and canceling purposes, fifteen thousand dollars.

Stamps, ink, pads.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.

Department of Labor.

To enable the Commissioner of Labor to complete a compilation of the rates of wages paid in different occupations in the principal commercial countries of the world, to continue available during the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, six thousand dollars.

Compilation of rates of wages.

That the unexpended balance of the appropriation made for contingent expenses of the Department of Labor for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby made available for the same purpose during the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

SENATE.

Senate.

For fuel, oil, and cotton waste, and advertising for the heating apparatus, exclusive of labor, nine thousand six hundred and seventy-one dollars and sixty cents.

Fuel, oil, etc.

For miscellaneous items, exclusive of labor, ten thousand dollars.

To pay Henry A. Du Pont the amount expended by him in prosecuting his claim to a seat in the Senate from the State of Delaware, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five dollars and forty-five cents.

Henry A. Du Pont, payment to.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

House of Representatives.

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

Miscellaneous, etc.

Approved, January 28, 1898.

January 31, 1898.

**CHAP. 12.**—An Act To provide an American register for the steamer Navahoe.Steamer "Navahoe."  
American register  
for.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built steamer Navahoe, owned by B. F. Clyde, a citizen of the United States, to be registered as a vessel of the United States.*

Approved, January 31, 1898.

February 3, 1898.

**CHAP. 13.**—An Act To amend and reenact section five of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the mayor and city council of Monroe, and the police jury of the parish of Ouachita, Louisiana, to construct a traffic bridge across the Ouachita River, opposite said city," approved February eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Bridge over Ouachita River, La.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section five of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the mayor and city council of Monroe, and the police jury of the parish of Ouachita, Louisiana, to construct a traffic bridge across the Ouachita River, opposite said city," be, and the same is hereby, amended and reenacted so as to read as follows:*

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Time for commencement and completion extended.

*"SEC. 5. That this Act shall be null and void if actual construction of the bridge herein authorized be not commenced by the eighth day of August, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and completed within three years from the date of the approval hereof."*

Approved, February 3, 1898.

February 9, 1898.

**CHAP. 14.**—An Act To provide an American register for the barkentine Sharpshooter, of San Francisco, California.Barkentine, "Sharpshooter,"  
American register for.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built barkentine Sharpshooter, owned by the J. F. Cunningham Company, organized under the laws of the State of California, to be registered as a vessel of the United States, under the name of Ruth.*

Approved, February 9, 1898.

February 9, 1898.

**CHAP. 15.**—An Act To provide for the appointment of an additional district judge in and for the northern judicial district of the State of Texas.

Additional district judge, northern district of Texas.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be in the northern judicial district of the State of Texas an additional district judge, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice of the Senate, and shall possess the same qualifications and have the same power and jurisdiction now prescribed by law in respect to the present district judge therein.*

No vacancy in office of existing district judge to be filled.

*SEC. 2. That no vacancy in the office of the existing district judge of said northern judicial district of Texas shall be filled by appointment, and in case of such vacancy there shall be thereafter one district judge only for said district.*

Approved, February 9, 1898.