

for roads and walks, and for repairs to machinery and tools, one hundred and fifty dollars;

Continuing the construction and repair of the roads between the south guardhouse and the southern boundary line of reservation, and for continuing the laying of a stone walk along same, one thousand dollars;

Cases, materials, fittings, fixtures, and other appliances and repairs for ordnance museum in new academy building, three hundred dollars;

Lumber and other materials for general repairs of cavalry stables, one hundred and fifty dollars;

Whitewashing or painting interior of riding hall (walls and ceilings), three hundred dollars;

Two additional bath tubs and fixtures in cavalry barracks, one hundred and fifty dollars;

Three hundred and seventy tables for rooms in the cadet barracks, at two dollars and fifty cents each, nine hundred and twenty-five dollars;

Repairing and renewing roofs of eighty-five sets of married enlisted men's quarters, two thousand dollars;

Removing and rebuilding the south dock and ferry slip and freight house on dock, twenty thousand three hundred and eighty-three dollars, to be immediately available;

Rebuilding area walls in rear of cadets' mess building, draining same, and repaving areas with granolithic or other suitable pavement, one thousand dollars;

Completing the construction of a set of filter beds and connecting the same with the new reservoir, including all necessary appurtenances, to be immediately available, sixteen thousand dollars;

Completing necessary improvements to the water-supply system, to be immediately available, ten thousand dollars;

Total for Buildings and Grounds, Military Academy, sixty thousand nine hundred and eighty-three dollars.

Approved, March 5, 1898.

Roads, etc.

Museum.

Cavalry stables.

Riding hall.

Bath tubs, etc.

Tables, etc.

Repairing roofs.

Dock.

Area walls, etc.

Filter beds.

Water supply.

CHAP. 53.—An Act To authorize two additional regiments of artillery.

March 8, 1898.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the artillery of the Army shall consist of seven regiments, and that the total number of enlisted men in the Army of the United States, including Indian scouts and the Hospital Corps, shall be increased one thousand six hundred and ten, the increase to be exclusively for the artillery arm.

SEC. 2. That each regiment of artillery shall consist of one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel, three majors, twelve captains, fourteen first lieutenants, twelve second lieutenants, one sergeant-major, one quartermaster-sergeant, one chief musician, two principal musicians, and twelve batteries: *Provided,* That two batteries of each regiment may, in the discretion of the President, be organized as field artillery, and each battery that may be so organized shall have, in addition to the battery organization now authorized by law, four corporals, two farriers, and one saddler: *And provided further,* That each of the remaining batteries that are not organized as field artillery may, in the discretion of the President, have two additional sergeants.

SEC. 3. That all vacancies created or caused by this Act shall be filled by promotion, according to seniority, from the next lower grade in the arm; and the existing provisions of law governing examinations for promotion shall apply to appointments made under this Act.

Approved, March 8, 1898.

Army.
Additional regiments of artillery authorized. R. S., sec. 1094, p. 202, amended. *Post*, pp. 392, 978, 981.

Composition of regiments. R. S., sec. 1099, p. 203.

Provisos.
Field artillery. R. S., sec. 1101, p. 203, amended.

Additional sergeants.

Promotions.

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March 8, 1898.

CHAP. 54.—An Act Giving the assent of Congress to a change of the compact entered into between the United States and the State of Arkansas on her admission into the Union.

Preamble.

Whereas the Congress of the United States, by an Act supplementary to an Act for the admission of the State of Arkansas into the Union, and to provide for the due execution of the laws of the United States within the same, and for other purposes, approved June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, in the first proposition made to the State of Arkansas, and which was subsequently accepted by the general assembly of the State of Arkansas, provided that the proceeds arising from the sale of section numbered sixteen in every township, or other land equivalent thereto, shall be for the use of the inhabitants of such township for school purposes; and

Vol. 5, p. 58.

Whereas the general assembly of the State of Arkansas have, by their resolution approved March twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, asked for a modification of said compact, so that the said lands, or any funds now on hand derived from the sale or lease of said section numbered sixteen in every township, or other lands equivalent thereto, may be apportioned by the State to common-school purposes for the promotion of education in said State: Therefore,

Arkansas.
Sixteenth section school fund to be apportioned in proportion to number of persons of school age.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the assent of Congress be, and is hereby, given to the change in said compact asked for by the general assembly, so as to allow the State of Arkansas to apportion the funds derived from the sale of said lands to common-school purposes for the promotion of education in said State in proportion to the number of persons therein between the ages of six and twenty-one years.

Approved, March 8, 1898.

March 9, 1898.

CHAP. 55.—An Act Making appropriations for the diplomatic and consular service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Diplomatic and consular 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 they are hereby, severally appropriated, in full compensation for the diplomatic and consular service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, namely:

Schedule A.

SCHEDULE A.

Salaries.

SALARIES OF AMBASSADORS AND MINISTERS.

Ambassadors.

Ambassadors extraordinary and plenipotentiary to France, Germany, Great Britain, and Russia, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, seventy thousand dollars;

Ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to Italy, twelve thousand dollars;

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary.

Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Mexico, seventeen thousand five hundred dollars;

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to China, Japan, Spain, Austria, and Brazil, at twelve thousand dollars each, sixty thousand dollars;

Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to the Argentine Republic, Belgium, Colombia, Peru, Turkey, Venezuela, and Chile, at ten thousand dollars each, seventy thousand dollars;

Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Salvador, ten thousand dollars;

Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Guatemala and Honduras, ten thousand dollars;