cers, where there are no public quarters, one thousand five hundred and thirty-nine dollars and thirteen cents.

For forage for horses belonging to field and staff officers of the marines, one thousand four hundred and forty-seven dollars and thirty-four cents.

For indispensable miscellaneous articles for the use of the marine barracks at Brooklyn, New York, and for other posts, seven hundred and thirty-one dollars and sixty cents.

This item and the two proceeding items are for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

For hire of officers' quarters where there are no public quarters, eight thousand three hundred and fifty-four dollars.

For forage for horses for field and staff officers, three thousand five hundred and forty dollars.

For pay account per diem to marine band, one thousand five hundred dollars. This item and the two preceeding items are for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two.

For completion of the survey of a route for a ship-canal between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, by the routes Tehuantepec and Nicaragua, with reports upon the same, twenty thousand dollars; and to complete the survey of the Darien route, five thousand dollars.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

PENSION-OFFICE.

To reimburse the contingent fund of the Pension-Office for expenses incurred in removing the papers and files of said office to the Seaton House, and in refitting rooms in said building, the sum of ten thousand five hundred and fifty-seven dollars and seventy-eight cents.

To pay six clerks of class one and six clerks of class two, to be employed in the examination of claims for pensions to the survivors of the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, which the Secretary is hereby authorized to employ for one year, and no longer, fifteen thousand six hundred dollars; and this appropriation is available fur said purpose for one year, and no longer.

For deficiency for fuel and lights in the Interior Department, one thousand two hundred and eighty-two dollars.

LAND-OFFICE.

For contingent expenses of district land-offices for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy, five thousand dollars.

To supply deficiency in the appropriation for the expense of depositing public moneys for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, eight thousand dollars; and for a deficience in the adpropriations for clerks in the office of the surveyor general of California, five hundred dollars.

PATENT OFFICE.

To provide for the plates of an Official Gazette of the Patent-Office abstracts of the drawings of patents issued, thirteen thousand three hundred and thirty-three dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Patents: Provided, That one copy of said Gazette shall be furnished to each Senator, Representative, and Delegate in Congress; and one copy each shall be sent to eight such public libraries as may be designated by each Senator, Representative, and Delegate, and two copies to the Library of Congress: Provided further, That a subscription-price of not less than five dollars per annum for said Gazette shall be charged to each subscriber; and all sums received from such oubscription shall be, on or before the first day of each month, paid into the treasury.

FOR THE LUBLIC PRINTING.

For the additional expense of printing and stitching the Patent-Office Official Gazette, with the abstracts of specifications and drawings, five thousand four hundred and twenty-five dollars.

CENSUS.

To supply a deficiency in the appropriation for the expenses of the ninth census, twenty thousand dollars, and such sum as may be necessary to pay the remainder due census-takers, for taking the eighth census: Provided, That the amount of money paid under this appropriation shall not exceed in all twenty-five thousand dollars.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Columbia Institute for the Deaf and Dumb: For furnishing and fitting up the buildings of the institution, six thousand dollars.

For repairs of buildings of said institute during fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundrep and seventy-two, three thousand five hundred dollars.

To commence the proper fitting up, in a fire-proof manner, of the vaacant apartments in the Smithsonian Institution building for the proper distribution and exhibition of the government collections of natural history, geology, and mineralogy, five thousand dollars.

For the preparation and publication of the maps, charts, geological sections, and other engravidgs necessrry to illustrate the final report of the United States geological survey of the Territories, by Professor Hayden, ten thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior.

For the payment of clerks in the office of the surveyor general of the State of Louisiana, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For repair and improvement of the Congressional cemetery, to be expended under the directign of the warden and vestry of Washington parish, District of Columbia, three thousand dollars.

For the completion of the United States court-house at Charleston, South Carolina, one hundred and two dollars and eight cents.

CAPITOL EXTENSION.

For the purpose of buying and putting in place a new beiler, water-tank, and steam-pump in the south wing of the Capitol, ten thousand dollars; and the disbursing clerk of the Interior Department is hereby required to disburse all moneys appropriated for the United States Capitol extension and improvement of the grounds, and to receive therefor an annual compensation of one thousand dollars, to be paid from said appropriation, from October first eighteen hundred and seventy-one; Provided, That in the adjustment of the accounts of F. W. Clemons, late disbursing agent of the Capitol extension, the accounting officers of the treasury are hereby authorized and directed to allow him the sum of eight hundred dollars, to be paid from the appropriations heretofore made for expenses of the ninth census, as compensation for increased responsibility and labor in disbursing said appropriations from October first, eighteen hundred and seventy, to September thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

For additional lamps and service-pipe in the east and west parks, Capitol grounds, four thousand dollars.

INDIAN BUREAU.

For this amount, to pay to the Seneca Indians the interest due on the sum of forty thousand dollars, held in trust for them as provided in the treaty of February twenty-third, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, from June eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, the date of the ratification of said treaty, to November first, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, the date when interest on stocks purchased with said sum of forty thousand dollars commenced to accrue, six thousand seven hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents, which amount shall be paid direct to said Seneca Indians, and not to an agent, attorney, or other person claiming to act for them.

For this amount, to replace the sum appropriated by the act of July twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, under the provision of the sixth article of treaty with the Seminoles of March twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and ninth article of the treaty with the Creeks of June fourteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, for the erection of agency buildins on the reservations of said tribes, twenty thousand dollars.

For this amount, to enable the Secretary of the Interior to supply the Kaw tribe of Indians in Kansas with subsistence, to relieve their immediate and pressing wants, the same to be reimbursed to the United States, from the proceeds of the sale of lands of the said Indians, when the same shall have been sold under existing treaty stipulations, ten thousand dollars.

For this amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for subsisting the Navajo Indians in New Mexico, for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, sixty thousand dollars.

For this amount, or so much thereof as may be necesary, to subsist the Apache Indians of Arizona and New Mexico during the remainder of the present fiscal year, who shall be upon the reservation and peacefully remain there, or who shall otherwise maintain peaceful relations with the United States, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

For this amount or so much thereof as may be necesary, for the subsistence, civilization, and care of the Arickaree, Gros Ventre, and Mandan Indians, at Fort Berthold agency, Dakota, during the remainder of the present fiscal year, forty thousand dollars.

For this amount, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, in providing subsistence and clothing for the Osage Indians, and aiding them in establishing themselves in their new homes, to be reimbursed to the United States from the interest on the net proceeds of the sale of their lands in Kansas, as provided by the second article of the treaty with the Great and Little Osages, of September twenty-nine, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, and the twelfth section of the act of July fifteen, eighteen hundred and seventy, fifty thousand dollars: Provided, That no person shall receive any part of the money appropriated by this act for any services or pretended services as attorney counsellor or agent for any tribe, or Indian, or Indians, for whom any part of these appropriations are made. Any person violating this provision shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined in double the amount so received.

For this amount, being the balance on account due the Quapaw tribe of Indians for a certain tract of land in the State of Kansas, containing seven thousand six hundred and thirty-two hundredths acres, ceded by said tribe to the United States in accordance with the terms of the fourth article of the treaty with Senecas, Mixed Senecas, and Shawnees, Quapaws, confederated Peorias, Kaskaskias, Weas, Peankeshaws, Ottawas of Blanchards Fork and Roche de Bœuf, and certain Wyandotts, concluded February twenty-third, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, (Statutes, volume fifteen, page five hundred and thirteen,) four thousand five hundred dollars and forty cents.

For this amount, to be taken from any funds in the Treasury of the United States belonging to the confederated bands of Peorias, Kaskaskias, Weas and Piankeshaws, to make good to the Quapaw tribe of Indians the estimated value of eighteen thousand five hundred and twenty-two and fifty hundredths acres of land lying south of Kansas, ceded by them to the United States under the terms of the fourth article of the treaty with the Senecas, Mixed Senecas, and Shawnees, Quapaws, confederated Peorias, Kaskaskias, Weas, and Pinkeshaws, Ottawas of Blanchards Fork, and Roche de Bœuf, and certain Wyandotts, concluded February twenty-third, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, (Statutes, volume fifteen, page five hundred and thirteen,) which lands were by the twenty-second article of said treaty, granted and sold to the confederated bands of Peorias, Kaskaskias, Weas, and Piankeshaws, at the same rate as paid by the government, twenty-one thousand three hundred dollars and eighty-seven cents.

JUDICIAL.

DISTRICT COURTS OF THE UNITED STTAES.—For salaries of district judges for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, fourteen thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars.

For defraying the expenses of the courts of the United States, including the District of Columbia; for jurors and witnesses, and expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, of prosecutions for offenses committed against the United States; for the safe keeping of prisoners; and for the expenses which may be incurred in the enforcement of the act of February twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, for the four months ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, one million dollars.

To enable the commissioners on revision of the statutes of the United States to expedite the work and furnish clerical and other assistance, and supply contingencies, the sum of nine thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid from time to time as the work progresses, upon vouchers approved by all the the commissioners: Provided, That this appropriation shall continue available until June thirty, eighteen hundred and seventy-three.

To enable the clerk of the Court of Claims to pay attorneys', commissioners', and marshals' fees for the years ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy, and June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, eight hundred dollars: and for attorneys' and commissioners' fees, paid by the clerk of the court in excess of the appropriations for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy, three hundred and forty-one dollars and fourteen cents.

To purchase books for the Department of Justice, two thousand five hundred dollars.

To enable the Secretary of the Treasury in his discretion to pay the judgment entered by the circuit court of the United States for the northern district of Florida, in the case of Theodore T. Edgerton against Jesse W. Culpeper, deputy collector and inspector of customs at Cedar Keys, district of Saint Marks, Florida, on the seventeenth day of December, eighteen hundred and seventy, for the sum of twenty-seven thousand four hundred dollars, with costs, twenty-six dollars, and interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from date of judgment until paid, a sufficient sum is hereby appropriated.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized and directed, in the adjustment of the accounts of William E. Parkes, United States marshal for the eastern district of Texas, to allow eight hundred and twenty-five dollars and seventy-five cents, money paid by said Parker for the traveling expenses of Thomas H. Duval, judge of the western district of Texas, for holding two terms of the United States circuit and district court at Galveston, and one at Brownsville, in Texas, under the direction of Mr. Justice Swayne.

SEC. 2. That the proper accounting officers be, and hereby are, authorized and required in the settlement of all accounts for the services of laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed by or on behalf of the Government of the United States, between the twenty-fifth day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, the date of the act constituting eight hours a day's work for all such laborers, workmen, and mechanics, and the nineteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, the date of the proclamation of the President concerning such pay, to settle and pay for the same, without reduction on account of reduction of hours of labor by said act, when it shall be made to appear that such was the sole cause of the reduction of wages, and a sufficient sum for said purpose is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 3. That all persons born in the district of country formerly known as the Territory of Oregon, and subject to the jurisdiction of the United States at this time, are citizens of the United States in the same manner as if born elsewhere in the United States.

SEC. 4. That the appropriation for building a pier at Lewes, Delaware, contained in sections twelve and thirteen of the act approved July fifteen, eighteen hundred and seventy, entitled "An act makins appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the government for the year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, and for other purposes," be, and the same is hereby, continued until June thirty, eighteen hundred and seventy-three.

SEC. 5. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to the lawful owners, or their legal representatives, of all cotton seized after the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, by the agents of the government unlawfully and in violation of their instructions, the net proceeds, without interest, of the sales of said cotton actually paid into the treasury of the United States: Provided, That the receipt thereof shall be taken and received in full satisfaction of all claims against the United States for or on account of the seizure of said cotton; and a sufficient sum for such payMent is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: and provided further, That the foregoing provisions shall not apply to any claim now pending before the Court of Claims, nor to any claim not filed in the Treasury Department within six months after the passage of this act; and the sum of twenty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the payment of the necessary expenses of defending the United States in respect to claims for said proceeds, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Approved, May 18, 1872.

[GENERAL NATURE—No. 73.]

AN ACT rrgulating the mode of making private contracig with Indians.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the UnitedStates of America in Congress assembled,

That hereafter no contract or agreement of any kind shall be made by any person with any tribe of Indians, or individual Indian or Indians, not a citizen of the United States, for the payment or delivery of any money or other thing of value, in present or in prospective, or for the granting or procuring any privileges to him or her, or any other person or persons in consideration of services for said Indians relative to their lands, or to any claims growing out of, or in reference to, annuities, installments, or other moneys, claims, demands, or thing, under laws or treaties with the United States, or official acts of any officers thereof, or in any way connected with or due from the United States, unless such contract or agreement be in writing, and executed and approved in the manner hereinafter directed.

SEC. 2. That all contracts or agreements between such parties and for such purposes as hamed in the first section of this act shall be in writing, a duplicate or copy of which shall be dilivered to each party thereto, as hereinafter provided. All such contrahts shall be executed before a judge of a court of record and approved in writing thereon by the Secretary of the Interior and commissioner of Indian Affairs. Such contract or agreement shall contain the names of all parties in interest, their residence and occupation: but those made with a tribe by their tribal authorities, the scope of authority and the reason for exercising that authority shall be given specifically. Such contracts or agreements shall state the time when and place where made, the particular purpose for which made, the special thing or things to be done under it, and, if for the collection of money, the basis of the claim, the source from which it is to be collected, the disposition to be made of it when collected, the amount or rate per centum of the fee in all cases; and if any contingent matter or condition constitutes a part of the contract or agreement it shall be specifically set forth: Provided, That all such contracts shall have a fixed limited time to run, and shall be invalid unless so limited: And provided, That such contracts shall not be assignable, in whole or in part, unless the names of the assignees and their residences and occupations be entered in writing upon the contract, and the consent of the Secretary of the Interior and Commissioner of Indian Affairs to such assignment be also endorsed thereon: And be it further provided, That the judge before whom such contract or agreement is executed shall certify officially the time when and place where such contrct or agreement was exeuted, and that it was in his presence, and who are the interested parties thereto, as stated to him at the time, the parties present making the same; the source and extent of authority claimed at the time by the contracting parties to make the contract or agreement, and whether made in person or by agent or by attorney of either party or parties.

SEC. 3. That no money shall be paid to any agent or attorney by an officer of the United States under such contract or agreement, other than the fees due him for services rendered thereunder: but the moneys due the tribe, Indian, or Indians, as the case may be, shall be paid by the United States, through its own officers or agents, to the party or parties entitled thereto: Provided, That no money or thing shall be paid to any person for services under such contract or agreement, until such person shall have first filed with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs a sworn statement, showing each particular act of service under the contract, giving date and fact in detail, and the Secretary of the Interior and Commissioner of Indian Affairs shall determine therefrom whether, in their judgement, such contract or agreement has been complied with or fulfilled; if so, the same may be paid, and if not, it shall be paid in proportion to the services rendered under the contract; Provided, That all such contracts or agreements hereafter made in violation of the provisions of this act are hereby declared null and void, and all money or other thing of value paid to any person by any Indian or tribe, or any one else for or on his or their behalf, on account of such services, in excess of the amount approvedby said Commissioner and Secretary for such services, may be recovered by suit in the name of the United States in any court of the United States, regardless of the amount in controversy, one half of which shall be paid to the person suing for the same, and the other half shall be paid into the treasury of the United States for the use of the Indian or tribe by or for whom it was paid; and the person so receiving said money, and his aiders and abettors shall, in addition to the forfeiture of said sum, be subject to prosecution for misdemeanor in any court of the United States, and, on conviction, shall be fined not less than one thousand dollars, and imprisoned not less than six months; and it shall be the duty of all district attorneys of the United States to prosecute such cases when applied to to do so, and their failure and refusal shall be grounds for their removal from office; and any Indian agent or other person in the employment of the United States who shall, in violation of the provisions of this act, advise, sanction, or in any way aid in the making of such contracts or agreements, in making such payments as are here prohibited, shall, in addition to the punishment herein imposed on the person making said contract or receiving said money, be, on conviction, dismissed from the service of the United States, and be forever disqualified from holding any office of profit or trust under the same.

Apprved, May 21, 1872.

[GENERAL NATURE—No. 78.]

AN ACT making appropriations for the consular and diplomatic service of the government for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representativei of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated for the service of the fiscal year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects hereafter expressed, namely:

For the salaries of envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Great Britain, France, Germany and Russia, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, seventy thousand dollars.

To Spain, Austria, Brazil, Mexico, Japan, China and Italy at twelve thousand dollars each, eighty-four thousand dollars.

To Chili and Peru, at ten thousand dollars each, twenty thousand dollars.

For ministers resident at Portugal, Switzerland, Greece, Belgium, Netherlands, Denmark, Sweeden and Norway, Turkey, Ecuador, Columbia, Bolivia, Venezuela, Guatemal, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Honduras and Salvador, Hawaiian Islands, and the Argentine Republic, at seven thousand five hundred dollars each, one hundred and forty-two thousand five hundred dollars: Provided, That on and after June thirty, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, there shall be but one minister resident accredited to Guatemala, Costa Rica, Honduras, Salvador and Nicargua, and that the President be authorized to select the place of residence for the minister in any one of those States.

For minister resident at Urugua, also accredited to Paraguay, eleven thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For salary of minister resident and consul generel at Hayti, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For minister resident and consul general at Liberia, four thousand dollars.

For salaries of secretaries of legation at London, Paris and Berlin, at two thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars, each, seven thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars.

To enable Robert C. Schenck, minister to Great Britain, to employ a private amanuensis, according to joint resolution approved January eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For salaries of secretaries of legation to Austria, Brazil, Italy, Mexico, Russia and Spain, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each, ted thousand eight hundred dollars.

For salaries of assistant secretaries of the legations to France, Great Britain and Germany, at two thousand dollars each, six thousand dollars.

For salary of the secretary of legation (acting also as intepreter) to China, five thousand dollars.

For salary of the interpreter of the United States legation and consulate general in Turkey, three thousand dollars; and on and after the passage of this act the duties of secretary of legation shall be performed by the interpreter at Constantinople.

For salary of interpreter and secretary of legation to Japan, two thousand five hundred dollars each, five thousand dollars; and the office of secretary of legation to Japan is hereby authorized and established.

For compensation of charge d'affaries ad interim, and for compensation of diplomatic officers of the United States abroad, forty thousand dollars: Provided, That no compensation or allowance shall be made to any such officer after the termination of his official functions other than for such times as shall necessarily be occupied in his direct return to the United States, and the proviso to the clause in the act of March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, entitled "An act making appropriations to supply deficiecies for the service of the government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy, and June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, and for other purposes," "For salaries of United States ministers abroad," and so forth, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

For compensation of agents appointed by the President to examine consular accounts, as authorized by the second section of the act approved July eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy, ten thousand dollars; and from and after the close of the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, said appropriation shall cease, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

For contingent expenses of foreign intercourse proper, and all of the missions abroad, one hundred thousand dollars.

For salaries of consuls general, consuls, vice consuls, commercial gents, and thirteen consular clerks, including loss by exchange, four hundred and sixteen thousand dollarf, as follows:

I. CONSULATES GENERAL.

SCHEDULE B.—Alexandria, Calcutta, Constantinople Frankfort-on-the-Main, Havana, Montreal, Shanghai, Beirut, Tampico, London, Paris.

II. CONSULATES.

SCHEDULE B.—Aix-la-Chapelle, Acapulco, Algiers, Amsterdam, Antwerp, Aspinwall, Bangkok, Basle, Belfast, Buenes Ayres, Bordeaux, Bremen, Brindisi, Boulogne, Barcelona, Caliz, Callao, Canton, Chemnitz, Chin-Kiang, Clifton, Coaticook, Cork, Demerara, Dundee, Elsinore, Fort Erie, Foo-Choo, Funchal, Geneva, Genoa, Gibraltar, Glasgow, Goderich, Halifax, Hamburg, Havre, Honolulu, Hong-Kong Hankow, Hakodadi, Jerusalem, Kuragawa, Kingston, (Jamaica,) Kingston, (Canada,) La Rochelle, Laguayra, Leeds, Leghorn, Leipsic, Lisbon, Liverpool, Lyons, Malaga, Malta, Manchester, Matanzas, Marseilles, Mauritus, Melbourne, Messina, Munich, Mahe, Nagasaki, Naples, Nassau, (West Indies,) New Castle, Nice, Nantes Odessa, Oporto, Osacca, Palermo, Panama, Pernambuco, Pictou, Port Mahon, Port Said, Prescott, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Rio de Janeiro, Rotterdam, San Juan del Sur, San Juan, (Porto Rico,) Saint John's (Canada East,) Santiago de Cuba, Port Sarnia, Rome, Singapore, Smyrna, Southampton, Saint Petersburg, Santa Cruz, (West Indies,) Saint Thomas, Spezzia, Stuttgardt, Swatow, Saint Helena, Tangier, Toronto, Trieste, Trinidad de Cuba, Tripoli, Tunis, Tunstall, Tien-Tsin, Turk's Island, Valparaiso, Vera Cruz, Nienna, Valencia, Windsor, (Canada West,) Zurich, Birmingham, Barmen and Winnipeg, (Selkirk settlement, British North America,) Amoy.

III. CONSULATES.

SCHEDULE C.—Aux Cayes, Bahia, Batavia, Bay of Islands, Cape Haytien, Candia, Capo Town, Carthagena, Ceylon, Cobija, Cyprus, Falkland, Islands, Fayal, Guayaquil, Guaymas, Maranham, Matamoras, Mexico, Montevideo, Omoa, Payta, Para, Paso del Norte, Piraeus, Rio Grande, Saint Catharine, Santiago, (Cape Verde,) Scotia, Tabasco, Tahiti, Talcahuano, Tumbez, Venice, Windsor, (Nova Scotia,) Zanzibar. And there may be appointed a consul at Windsor, Nova Scotia, at an annual salary of one thousand dollars.

IV. COMMERCIAL AGENCIES.

SCHEDULE C.—Amoor River, Apia, Gaboon, Saint Paul de Loanda, Lauthala Sabinilla.

V. COMMERCIAL AGENCIES.

SCHEDULE B.—Madagascar, San Juan del Norte, Saint Domingo.

For interpreter to the consulates in China, Japan and Siam, including loss by exchange, five thousand seven hundred dollars.

For marshals for the consular courts in Japan, including that of Nagasaki, and in China, Siam, and Turkey, including loss by exchange thereon, seven thousand seven hundred dollars.

For stationery, book cases, arms of the United States, seals, presses and flags, and payment of rent, freight, postage and miscellaneous expenses, including loss by exchange thereon, sixty thousand dollars: Provided, That none of the books published by the government, and usually known by the name of "public documents" shall hereafter be supplied to the legations and consulates of the United States, except such as shall have been first designated by the Secretary of State by an order, to be recorded in the State Department, as suitable for and required by the legation and consulate to which it shall be supplied.

For expenses of interpreters, guards, and other matters at the consulates at Constantinople, Smyrna, Candia, Alexandria, Jerusalem and Beirut, in the Turkish dominions, three thousand dollars.

For rent of prisons for American convicts in Siam and Turkey, and for wages of the keepers of the same, including loss by exchange, four thousand dollars.

For rent of prison for American convicts in China, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For wages of keepers, care of offenders, and expenses, ten thousand dollars.

For rent of prison for American convicts in Japan, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For wages of keepers, care of offenders, and expenses, five thousand dollars.

For expenses incurred in bringing home from foreign countries persons charged with crime, and expenses incident thereto, including loss by exchange, five thousand dollars.

For relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries, eighty thousand dollars.

For expenses which may be incurred in acknoledging the services of masters and crews of foreign vessels in rescuing American citizens from shipwreck, five thousand dollars.

To meet the necesary expenses attendant upon the execution of the neutrality act, to be expended under the direction of the President, in conformity with the third section of the act of may first, eighteen hundred and ten, entitled "An act fixing the compensation of ministers and consuls residing on the coast of Barbary, and for other purposes," twenty thousand dollars.

To meet the payment of the ninth annul instalment of the proportion contributed by the Unitee States toward the capitalization of the Scheldt dues, sixty-six thousand five hundred and eighty-four dollars.

The compensation of the chief clerk of the Department of State shall be at the rate of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum, beginning with the first day of July, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

Approved, May 22, 1872.

[GENERAL NATURE—No. 69.]

AN ACT to authorize the construction of certain bridges across the Mississippi river, and to establish the same as post-roads.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That it shall be lawful for the Western Illinois Bridge Company, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Missouri, to build a bridge across the Mississippi river at the city of Quincy, Illinois, for the purpose of crossing persons and property, such as are usually crossed on wagon-bridges: and also to lay on and over said bridge railway tracks for the more perfect connection of any railroads that are or shall be constructed to the said river at or opposite said point, and that, when constructed, all persons and property as aforesaid, and also all trains of all roads terminating at said river, at or opposite said point, shall be allowed to cross said bridge for reasonable compensation, to be made to the owners of said bridge, under the limitations and conditions hereinafter provided; and in case of any litigation or alleged obstruction to the free navigation of said river, the cause may be tried before the district court of the United States of any State in which any portion of said obstruction or bridge touches; and that all railway companies desiring to use the said bridge shall have and be entitled to equal rights and priveleges in the passage of the same, and in the use of the machinery and fixtures thereof, and of all the approaches thereto, under and upon such terms and conditions as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War, upon hearing the allegations and proofs of the parties in case they shall not agree.

SEC. 2. That said bridge may, at the option of the company building the same, be built either as a pivot draw-bridge, or with unbroken or continuous spans; Provided, That if the said bridge shall be made with unbroken or continuous spans, it shall not be of less elevation, in any case, than fifty feet above high-water mark, as understood at the point of location, to the bottom chord of the bridge, nor shall the spans of said bridge be less than two hundred and fifty feet in length, and the piers of said bridge shall be parallel with the current of the riveo, and the main span shall be over the main channel of the river, and not less than three hundred feet in length: And provided also, That if said bridge shall be constructed as a pivot draw-bridge, the same shall be constructed with the draw over the main channel of the river at an accessible point and navigable point, and with spans of not less than one hundred and sixty feet in length, in the clear, on each side of the central or pivot pier of the draw; and the next adjoining spans to the draw shall not be less than two hundred and fifty feet. If the proper location of the draw over the channel will admit spans of this width between it and the shore, and said spans shall not be less than thirty feet above low-water mark, and not less thanten feet above extreme high water mark, measuring to the bottom chord of the bridge, and the piers of said bridge shall be parallel with the current of the river; And provided also, That said draw shall be opened promptly, upon reasonable signal, for the passage of boats whose construction shall not be such as to admit of their passage under the permanent spans of said bridge, except when trains are passing over the same; but in no case shall unnecessary delay occur in opening the said draw during or after the passage of trains.

SEC. 3. That any bridge constructed under this act, and according to its limitations, shall be a lawful structure, and shall be known and recognized as a post-route, upon which, also, no higher charge shall be made for the transmission over the same of the mails, the the troops, and munitions of war of the United States, than the rate per mile paid for their transportation over the railroads or public higaways leading to said bridge, and the United States shall have the right of way for postal telegraph purposes across said bridge.

SEC. 4. That said company may execute a mortgage upon said bridge, and issue bonds, payable, principal and interest, in gold or United States currency.

SEC. 5. That the right to alter or amend this act so as to prevent or remove all material obstructions to the navigation of said river by the construction of said bridge, is hereby expressly reserved; and the said bridge shall be built under and subject to such regulations for the security of the navigation of said river as the Secretary of War shall prescrice; and the said bridge shall be, at all times, so kept and managed as to offer reasonabl and propere means for the passage of vessels.

SEC. 6. That the plan and specifications, with the necessary drawings of said bridge, shall be submitted to the Secretary of War, for his approval, and until he approve the plan and location of said bridge it shall not be built or commenced; and should any change be made in the plan of said bridge during the progress of the work thereon, such change shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War and all changes in the construction or any alteration of said bridge, that may be directed at any time by Congress, shall be made at the cost and expense of the owners thereof.

SEC. 7. That the Warsaw and Alexander Bridge Company, their successors and assigns, a corporation existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Missouri, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct and maintain a bridge over the Mississippi river at and between the city of Warsaw, in Hancock county, and State of Illinois, and the city of Alexandria, in Clark county, and State of Missouri; and the bridge authorized to be built by this section is hereby declared to be a post-route, and shall have all the privileges and be subject to all the terms, restrictions, and requirements contained in the foregoing sections of this act; Provided, That the construction of the bridge mentioned in this section shall be commenced within eighteen months after the passage of this act.

Approved, May 17, 1872.

[GENERAL NATURE—No 63.]

AN ACT to authorize the commissioners of claims to appoint special commissioners to take testimony, 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 commissioners of claims shall have authority to appoint special commissioners to take testimony, to be used in cases pending before them, who shall have authority to administer oaths and affirmations, and to take the depositions of witnesses: Provided, The claimants shall pay the fees of such special commissioners for taking the depositions of witnesses called by them; but such fees shall in no case exceed ten cents per folio if the claim is less than one thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. That any person who shall knowingly and wilfully swear falsely before the said commissioners of claims, or either of them, or before any special commissioner appointed by virtue of this act, in any matter or claim pending before said commissioners, shall be deemed guilty of perjury, and, on conviction thereof, shall be punished in the same manner prescribed by law in cases of wilful and corrupt perjury.

SEC. 3. That the commissioners of claims may appoint and employ agents, but not more than three at any time, whose duty it shall be, under the direction and authority of said commissioners, to investigate claims pending before them, to procure evidence, to secure the attendance of witnesses on behalf of the government, and to examine the same, and to cross-examine the witnesses produced by claimants, and to perform such other duties as may be required of them by said commissioners, who may discharge them at any time. The said agents shall be allowed their actual and necesary traveling expenses; the expenses paid out in investigating claims, procuring witnesses, and taking testimony, and six dollars per day while employed in the discharge of their duties; of all which, at the end of each month, they shall make a statement in detail, specifying the amounts by them paid out, to to whom paid, when and where and for what purpose, and the number of days employed in their duties, and shall transmit the same, duly certified, to the commissioners.

But no claim where the amount exceeds ten thousand dollars shall be examined, decided, and reported by the commissioners to Congress, except the testimony on behalf of the claimant if such case shall have been taken orally before the commissioners or some one of them personally, or shall have been taken previous to the third day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy one, to pe used in the Court of Claims or before some department of the government.

SEC. 4. That the commissioners may employ three additional clerks at a salary of one thousand two hundred dollars per year; and may employ, at the usual rates, such assistance for the short-hand reporeer as may be necessary, from time to time, in reporting, copying, and preparing for Congress the oral testimony taken in cases before the said commissioners.

SEC. 5. That all the expenses incurred under the provisions of this act shall be allowed and paid in the same manner, and out of the same appropriation provided for in the act organizing the said commissioners of claims, being an act entitled "An act making appropriations for the support of the army for the year end, ing June thirtieth, eighteen and seventy-two, and for other purposes," approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

SEC. 6. That it shall be the duty of the said commissioners of claims to receive, examine, and consider the justice and validity of such claims as shall be brought before them of those citizens who remained loyal adherants to the cause and government of the United States, during the war, for stores or supplies taken or furnished during the rebellion for the use of the navy of the United States, in the same manner and with the like effect as they are now required by law to do in the case of steres or supplies taken or furnished for the use of the army.

Approved, May 11, 1872.

[GENERAL NATURE—No. 65.]

AN ACT to establish the pay of enlisted men of the army.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That from and after the first day of July, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, the monthly pay of the following enlisted men of the army shall, during the first term of enlistment, be as follows, with the contigent additions thereto, hereinafter provided:

Sergeant majors of cavalry, artillery, and infantry, twenty-three dollars.

Quatermaster sergeants of cavalry, artillery, and infantry, twenty-three dollars.

Chief trumpeters of cavalry, twenty-two dollars.

Principal musicians of artillery and infantry, twenty-two dollars.

Saddler sergeants of cavalry, twenty-two dollars.

First sergeants of cavalry, artillery, and infantry, twenty-two dollars.

Sergeants of cavalry, artillery, and infantry, seventeen dollars.

Corporals of cavalry and light artillery, fifteen dollars.

Corporals of artillery and infantry, fifteen dollars.

Saddlers of cavalry, fifteen dollars.

Blacksmiths and farriers of cavalry, fifteen dollars.

Trumpeters of cavalry, thirteen dollars.

Musicians of artillery and infantry, thirteen dollars.

Privates of cavalry, artillery, and infantry, thirteen dollars.

Hospital stewards, first class, thirty dollars.

Hospital stewards, second class, twenty-two dollars.

Hospital stewards, third class, twenty dollars.

Ordinance sergeants of posts, thirty-four dollars.

Sergeant majors of engineers, thirty-six dollars.

Quartermaster sergeants of engineers, thirty-six dollars.

Seargents of engineers and ordinance, thirty-four dollars.

Corporals of engineers and ordinance, twenty dollars.

Musicians of engineers, thirteen dollars.

Privates (first class) of engineers and ordinance, seventeen dollars.

Privates (second class) of engineers and ordinance, thirteen dollars.

SEC. 2 That to the rates of pay above established one dollar per month shall be added for the third year of enlistment, one dollar more per month for the fourth year, and one dollar mere per month for fifth year, making in all three dollars' increase per month for the last year of the first enlistment of each enlisted man named in the first section of this act. But this increase shall be considered as retained pay, and shall not be paid to the soldier until his discharge from the service, and shall be forfeited unless he shall have served honestly and faithfully to the date of discharge. And all former laws concerning retained pay for privates of the army are hereby rescinded.

SEC. 3. That all the enlisted men enumerated in the first section of this act who have re-enlisted or who shall hereafter re-enlist under the provisions of the act of August fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, shall be paid at the rates allowed in the second section of this act to those serving in the fifth year of their first enlistment; Provided, That one dollar per month shall be retained from the pay of the re-enlisted men, of whatever grade, named in the first section of this act, during the whole period of their reenlistment, to be paid to the soldier on his discharge, but to be forfeited unless he shall have served honestly and faithfully to the date of discharge.

SEC. 4. That enlisted men, now in the service, shall receive the rates of pay established in this act according to the length of their service, and nothing contained in this act shall be construed as affecting the additional monthly pay allowed for re-enlistment by the act of August fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.

Approved, May 15, 1872.

[GENERAL NATURE—No. 66.]

AN ACT to establish a system of deposits, to prevent desertion, and elevate the condition of the rank and file of the army.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That any enlisted man of the army may deposit his savings, in sums not less than five dollars, with any army paymaster, who shall furnish him a deposit-book, in which shall be entered the name of the paymaster and of the soldier, and the amount, date and place of such deposit. The money so deposited shall be accounted for in the same manner as other public funds, and shall pass to the credit of the appropriation for the pay of the army, and shall not be subject to forfeiture by sentence of court-martial, but shall be forfeited by desertion, and shall not be permitted to be paid until final payment on discharge, or to the heirs or representatives of a deceased soldier, and that such deposit be exempt from liability for such soldier's debts: Provided, That the government shall be liable for the amount deposited to the person so depositing the same.

SEC. 2. That for any sums of not less than fifty dollars so deposited for the period of six months, or longer, the soldier, on his final discharge, shall be paid interest at the rate of four per centum per annum.

SEC. 3. That the money value of all clothing overdrawn by the soldier beyond his allowance shall be charged against him, every six months, on the muster-roll of his company, or on his final statements if sooner discharged. The amount due him for clothing, he having drawn less than his allowance, shall not be paid to him until his final discharge from the service.

SEC. 4: That the system of deposits herein established shall be carried into execution under such regulations as may be established by the Secretary of War.

SEC. 5. That the amounts of deposits and clothing balances accumulated to the soldier's credit under the provisions of sections one and three of this act shall, when payable to the soldier upon his discharge, to be paid out of the appropriations for "pay of the army" for the then current fiscal year.

SEC. 6. That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, May 15, 1872.

[GENERAL NATURE—No. 72.]

AN ACT to fix the times for holding United States courts in the eighth circuit.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the circuit court of the United States for the several districts comprising the eighth judicial circuit shall hereafter be held as follows;

MISSOURI.—In the districts of Missouri, commencing on the third Monday of March and the third Monday of September in each year.

ARKANSAS.—In the eastern district of Arkansas, commencing on the second Monray of April and the fourth Monday of October in each year.

NEBRASKA.—In the district of Nebraska, commencing on the first Monday in May and the second Monday in November in each year.

IOWA.—In the district of Iowa, commencing on the second Monday of May and the second Monday of October in each year.

KANSAS.—In the district of Kansas, commencing on the first Monday of June and the fourth Monday of November in each year.

MINNESOTA.—In the district of Minnesota, commencing on the third Monday in June and the second Monday of December in each year.

SEC. 2. That this act shall take effect on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and seventy-two; and all acts prescribing other times for holding the terms of said courts are, so far as they conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. That no action, suit, proceeding, or process in any of the said courts shall abate or be rendered invalid by reason of this act, but the same shall, in the several districts, be deemed to be returnable to, pending and triable in, the terms and circuit courts hereby established, next after the return day thereof.

Approved, May 21, 1872.

[GENERAL NATURE—No. 68.]

An act to regulate the salary of the consul at Tien Tsin, China.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the salary of the United States consul at Tien Tsin, China, shall, from and after the passage of this act, be thirty-five hundred dollars; and the laws regulating the duties of salaried consuls shall govern said consul.

Approved, May 17, 1872.