Chap. XXIII. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish an Auxiliary Watch for the Protection of Public and Private Property in the City of Washington," approved August twenty-three, eighteen hundred and forty-two.* Jan. 3, 1855.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That each of the said auxiliary watch shall receive an annual compensation of six hundred dollars, commencing with the present fiscal year, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. Pay of the auxiliary watch in Washington.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the above-recited act, and of the act approved March three, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, fixing the compensation of the said auxiliary watch, be, and the same is hereby, repealed. Repeal of acts of 1842, ch. 184, and 1853, ch. 97, respecting such pay.

Approved, January 3, 1855.

Chap. XXV. — *An Act to continue in force, for a limited time, the Provisions of the Act of Congress of third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and the Second Section of its Supplement of eighteenth January, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, so as to enable the Board of Land Commissioners in California to close their Adjudications of Private Land Titles in that State, and for other Purposes.* Jan. 10, 1855.

1851, ch. 41.
1854, ch. 2.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the act of Congress approved third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, "to ascertain and settle the private land claims in the State of California," and of the second section of the act of eighteenth January, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, continuing the same in force, be further continued in force for the term of one year, and no longer, from the third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-five. Continuance of California Land Commission. 1851, ch. 41. 1854, ch. 2.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the United States district attorney for the northern district of California be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ assistant counsel to aid him in defending the interests of the United States in the land suits for the adjudication of such claims before the district court, at a salary not exceeding three thousand six hundred dollars per annum, and also to employ such clerical force, not exceeding two persons, at a compensation of one hundred and fifty dollars per month each; the services of said assistant counsel, and the clerical force aforesaid, not to continue beyond the exigencies of the service, nor longer than the term of one year from the period of their several appointments. Employment of clerks and assistant counsel.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the said commissioners, or either of them, may issue the writ of subpœna requiring the attendance of witnesses before the said board, and that for any contempt in refusing obedience to such writ, the said board shall have the same power to inflict punishment now possessed by the district court of the United States. Subpœnas.

Approved, January 10, 1855.

Chap. LV. — *An Act making Appropriations for the construction of certain Military Roads in the Territories of Nebraska and Washington.* Feb. 6, 1855.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums of money be, and the same are hereby, appropriated for the construction of military roads in the Territories of Nebraska and Washington, to wit: For the construction of a military road from the Great Falls of the Missouri River, in the Territory of Nebraska, to intersect the military road now established leading from Walla Walla to Puget's Sound, thirty thousand dollars. For the construction of a military road from the Dalles of the Columbia to Columbia City Barracks, twenty-five thousand dollars. For Appropriation for roads in Nebraska and Washington territories.

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