line to the point of beginning; also, the whole of squares six hundred and eighty-seven and six hundred and eighty-eight.

APPROVED, June 25, 1860

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CHAP. CCXII.—*An Act making further Appropriations for the Service of the Post-Office Department during the fiscal Year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty.*

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 for the service of the Post-Office Department for the year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty, out of any moneys in the treasury arising from the revenues of the said department, in conformity to the act of the second of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six:

Appropriation.

1836, ch. 270. Vol. v. p. 80.

Transportation of the mails, (inland).

Proposals and contract for carrying mail in steamships from Charleston, S. C., &c.

For transportation of the mails, (inland,) seven million six hundred and ninety-four thousand and ten dollars: And the Postmaster-General is hereby authorized and required to advertise for proposals, and contract with the lowest responsible bidder or bidders, for the transportation of the United States mail, in steamships, from Charleston, South Carolina, via Savannah, Georgia, to Key West, Florida, and back, twice a month, or oftener, from the first day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty, to the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, inclusive, at such sum as he may think reasonable, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars per annum.

Compensation of postmasters.

For compensation to postmasters, one million two hundred and seventy-six thousand dollars.

Clerks.

For clerks in the offices of postmasters, four hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

Ship letters.

For ship, steamboat, and way letters, twenty thousand dollars.

Office furniture.

For office furniture in the post-offices, four thousand dollars.

Advertising.

For advertising, seventy thousand dollars.

Mail bags.

Interest to contractors.

For mail bags, twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars; and out of the same the Postmaster-General shall pay to the contractors for furnishing leather mail pouches, wrapping and printing paper, mail locks and keys, and stamps, interest, at the rate of six per cent. on all sums heretofore due said contractors, and which remained unpaid for want of funds, from the time said sums were due to the day when the principal sums were in fact paid.

For blanks, fifty-four thousand dollars.

For wrapping paper, twenty-six thousand dollars.

For mail locks, keys, and stamps, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For mail depredations and special agents, thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.

Miscellaneous.

For miscellaneous payments, two hundred thousand dollars.

Postage stamps, &c.

For postage stamps and stamped envelopes, fifty thousand dollars.

Foreign balances.

For payments of balances due to foreign countries, three hundred thousand dollars.

Letter-carriers.

For payments to letter-carriers, one hundred and eighty-seven thousand and thirty-seven dollars.

Deficiencies for year ending June 30, 1860.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of three million one hundred and twenty-six thousand three hundred and twenty-four dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in the revenue of the Post-Office Department for the year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty.

Payment of balance due E. K. Collins, &c.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby directed to pay E. K. Collins and his associates the sum of eighty thousand two hundred and eighty-two dollars and seventy-two cents, that being the remaining balance found due them upon their con-

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tract for transporting the United States mail between New York and Liverpool.

Contractors failing to keep their contract from default of payment, to be relieved therefrom.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever any contractor in the service of the Post-Office Department shall at any time between the third day of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, and the first day of April eighteen hundred and sixty, have failed to perform the service agreeable to the terms of his contract, and the rules and regulations of the Department, and the Postmaster-General shall be satisfied from the testimony before him that such failure was occasioned by the inability of the Department to make payment to such contractor for service performed under his contract, growing out of the defeat of the appropriation bill for the support of the Department for the past year, then the said Postmaster-General shall have power by order to relieve and absolve such contractor from all the disabilities and pecuniary responsibilities which under the existing laws and regulations would attach to such failure.

APPROVED, June 25, 1860.

CHAP. CCXIII.—*An Act to establish two Indian Agencies in Nebraska Territory, and one in the Territory of New Mexico.* June 25, 1860.

Three additional Indian agents to be appointed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, three additional agents for the Indian service, at an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars each; one for the Indians in the Territory of New Mexico, one for the "Ponca" tribe, and one for the "Pawnees" in the Territory of Nebraska.

Salary.
Agent for New Mexico.
Poncas.
Pawnees.

APPROVED, June 25, 1860.

CHAP. CCXIV.—*An Act to grant to the Parish of Point Coupee, Louisiana, certain Tracts of Land in said Parish.* June 25, 1860.

Land to be given Parish of Point Coupee.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the tracts of land in the Parish of Point Coupee, Louisiana, which have been in ancient occupancy as the site of a church and court house, and which are designated on the plats of the public surveys as sections twenty-three and twenty-four, in township four, south, of range ten, east, in the southeastern district, Louisiana, be, and the same are hereby, granted to the said Parish of Point Coupee, on the condition that the aforesaid section twenty-four, or the church site, shall be held by said parish for the use of the Catholic congregation now occupying it for public worship and as a burying-ground; but not to the prejudice of a valid adverse right, if such exist.

Condition.

APPROVED, June 25, 1860.