force at the time such commissioners may make the final report of their doings.

Duties of the commissioners.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That, in performing this duty, the commissioners shall bring together all statutes and parts of statutes which, from similarity of subject, ought to be brought together, omitting redundant or obsolete enactments, and making such alterations as may be necessary to reconcile the contradictions, supply the omissions, and amend the imperfections of the original text; and they shall arrange the same under titles, chapters, and sections, or other suitable divisions and subdivisions, with head-notes briefly expressive of the matter contained in such divisions; also with side-notes, so drawn as to point to the contents of the text, and with references to the original text from which each section is compiled, and to the decisions of the federal courts, explaining or expounding the same, and also to such decisions of the State courts as they may deem expedient; and they shall provide by a temporary index, or other expedient means, for an easy reference to every portion of their report.

Copy of their completed work to be submitted to Congress in print.

Suggestions.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That when the commissioners have completed the revision and consolidation of the statutes, as aforesaid, they shall cause a copy of the same, in print, to be submitted to Congress, that the statutes so revised and consolidated may be re-enacted, if Congress shall so determine; and at the same time they shall also suggest to Congress such contradictions, omissions, and imperfections as may appear in the original text, with the mode in which they have reconciled, supplied, and amended the same; and they may also designate such statutes or parts of statutes as, in their judgment, ought to be repealed, with their reasons for such repeal.

Work may be printed in parts.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissioners shall be authorized to cause their work to be printed in parts, so fast as it may be ready for the press, and to distribute copies of the same to members of Congress, and to such other persons, in limited numbers, as they may see fit, for the purpose of obtaining their suggestions; and they shall, from time to time, report to Congress their progress and doings.

Revision when to be completed.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the statutes so revised and consolidated shall be reported to Congress as soon as practicable, and the whole work closed without unnecessary delay.

Compensation of commissioners.

Clerical service and incidental expenses.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissioners shall each receive as compensation for his services at the rate of five thousand dollars a year for three years, with the reasonable expenses of clerical service and other incidental matters, not to exceed two thousand dollars annually for such expenses.

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See Pub. Res. No. 54.

Post, p. 573.

CHAP. CXLI.—*An Act making further Provisions for the Establishment of an Armory and Arsenal of Construction, Deposit, and Repair on Rock Island, in the State of Illinois.*

Position of railroad across Rock Island and the bridge across the river to be established.

Permanent location and right of way.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to change, fix, and establish the position of the railroad across Rock Island and the bridge across the Mississippi river at and on the island of Rock Island, so as best to accord with the purposes of the government in its occupancy of said island for military purposes; and in order to effect this he is authorized to grant to the railroad company a permanent location and right of way on and across Rock Island, to be fixed and designated by him, with such quantity of land, to be occupied and held by the company for railroad purposes, as may be necessary therefor; and that the said grant and change be made on such terms and conditions, previously arranged, between the Secretary

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of War and the companies and parties in interest, as will best effect and secure the purposes of the government in occupying the island.

Pecuniary and other aid to be given. Wagon road.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, authorized to grant to the companies and parties in interest such other aid, pecuniary or otherwise, toward effecting the change in the present location of their road and bridge and establishing thereon a wagon road for the use of the government of the United States to connect said island with the cities of Davenport and Rock Island, to be so constructed as not materially to interfere with, obstruct, or impair the navigation of the Mississippi river, as may be adjudged to be fair and equitable by the board of commissioners authorized under the act of April nineteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act in addition to an act for the establishment of certain arsenals," and may be approved by him.

1864, ch. 60. Vol. xiii. p. 50.

Small Islands adjacent to Rock Island.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of the act, approved April nineteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act in addition to an act for the establishment of certain arsenals," be so extended as to include the small islands contiguous to Rock Island, and known as Benham's, Wilson's, and Winnebago islands.

Appropriations.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for Rock Island arsenal, to be applied as follows, viz:

For claims for property taken for military purposes.

To liquidate claims for property in Benham's, Wilson's, and Winnebago islands, and for property in Rock Island which has been taken, in pursuance of law, for military purposes, two hundred and ninety-three thousand six hundred dollars, or so much thereof, and no more, as may be necessary to pay the respective claimants such amounts as may be reported by the board of commissioners authorized by the act of April nineteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and ordered by the United States circuit court to be paid to each.

Water power.

To secure water-power at the head of Rock Island, one hundred thousand dollars.

Storehouses, &c.

To erect storehouses for the preservation of arms and other munitions of war, and to establish communication between Rock Island arsenal and the cities of Davenport, Iowa, and Rock Island, Illinois, one hundred thousand dollars.

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CHAP. CXLII.—*An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Sale of Marine Hospitals and Revenue Cutters," approved April 20th, 1866.*

1866, ch. 63. *Ante*, p. 40.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to authorize the sale of marine hospitals and revenue cutters," approved April twentieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, shall not be construed to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to lease or sell any such hospital where the relief furnished to sick marine[r]s shall show an extent of relief equal to twenty cases per diem, on an average, for the last preceding four years, or where no other suitable and sufficient hospital accommodations can be procured upon reasonable terms for the comfort and convenience of the patients.

Certain marine hospitals not to be leased or sold.

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CHAP. CXLIII.—*An Act in Amendment of an Act to promote the Progress of the Useful Arts, and the Acts in Amendment of and in Addition thereto.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon appealing for the first time from the decision of the primary examiner to the examiners-in-chief in the patent office, the appellant shall pay a fee of ten dollars into the

Fee for appeal for first time from decision of