ing, sewerage, and other improvements upon and adjoining the property of the United States in the District of Columbia, one million two hundred and forty-one thousand nine hundred and twenty dollars and ninety-two cents, or so much thereof as may be necessary: *Provided*, That all payments under this appropriation shall be made only upon vouchers approved by the officer in charge of the public buildings and grounds of the District, after full examination and measurement of the said improvements, and the approval of the prices claimed therefor: *And provided further*, That the said board of public works be, and they are hereby, prohibited from incurring or contracting further liabilities on behalf of the United States in the improvement of streets, avenues, and reservations beyond the amount of appropriations previously made by Congress, and from entering into any contract touching such improvements on behalf of the United States, except in pursuance of appropriations made by Congress.

Payments to be made only on vouchers.

Board of public works not to incur any liability, &c., for streets, &c., beyond appropriations previously made by Congress.

Approved, January 8, 1873.

Jan. 8, 1873.

CHAP. XIX. — *An Act to provide for the Removal of the sunken Wreck which now obstructs the Channel-way off Sandy Hook.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of removing the sunken wreck which now obstructs the channel-way off Sandy Hook, New York: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained or any action to be had hereunder shall relieve from liability to repay such expenditure any one responsible for said obstruction.

Appropriation for removal of the sunken wreck from the channel-way off Sandy Hook.

Proviso.

Approved, January 8, 1873.

Jan. 8, 1873.

CHAP. XX. — *An Act to provide for the Expenses of the Commission to enquire into Depredations on the Frontiers of the State of Texas.*

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, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to meet the expenses of the commission appointed under joint resolution, approved May seventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, "to enquire into depredations on the frontiers of the State of Texas," viz.:

Appropriation for commission upon depredations on the frontiers of Texas.
Ante, p. 395.

For salaries and travelling expenses of three commissioners, twelve thousand three hundred and ninety dollars.

For salaries of secretary and translator, at eighteen hundred dollars each, three thousand six hundred dollars.

For travelling expenses of the secretary and the translator, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of the commission, one thousand dollars; and the work of said commission shall be completed within the current fiscal year, and at the termination of said year the duties and powers of said commission shall cease.

Approved, January 8, 1873.

Jan. 9, 1873.

CHAP. XXI. — *An Act to amend the one hundred and thirty-third Section of an Act approved June eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, entitled "An Act to revise, consolidate, and amend the Statutes relating to the Post-office Department."*

1872, ch. 335, § 133.
Ante, p. 300.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section one hundred and thirty-three of the act entitled "An act to revise, consolidate, and amend the statutes relating to the Post-office Department," approved June eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, be so amended as to authorize

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