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SEC. 5. That the parties hereinbefore named, to whom the distribution of the said fund is intrusted, shall make a report to Congress on the first Monday in December next of their action in relation to the expenditure of the fund hereby appropriated. Report.

Approved, February 5, 1877.

CHAP. 57.—An act authorizing the Commissioners of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company to buy in certain real and other property, and to sell the same at public or private sale, and for other purposes. Feb. 13, 1877.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, their survivors or survivor, and their or his successors, shall have the right and authority to buy in, for the benefit of said Company, any real or other property which may be offered for sale at public auction to pay debts or liabilities due said Company, if, in their or his judgment, said property will otherwise be sacrificed, and to dispose of the same at public or private sale, as in their or his judgement may be deemed most advantageous to the creditors of said company, furnishing to the purchaser or purchasers of any property thus sold by them or him good and sufficient deeds of conveyance for their respective purchases. *Provided* That no sale of real estate shall be made by said commissioners except at public auction of which due notice shall be given, unless such sale and the terms thereof shall have been first approved by one of the justices of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Commissioners of Freedman's Savings and Trust Company may buy, etc., property. Proviso. Sales at public auction, except.

SEC. 2. That the action of the said commissioners, in buying in each and every of the pieces of real and other property heretofore purchased by them to prevent their sacrifice, and in selling and conveying sundry parcels thereof, is hereby approved and ratified; and said commissioners, their survivors or survivor, and their or his successors are hereby fully authorized and empowered to sell and convey any of said property not heretofore sold to any purchaser or purchasers upon the most favorable terms for the creditors of said company. Previous purchases, etc. approved.

Approved, February 13, 1877.

CHAP. 58.—An act to provide for a deficiency in the appropriation for the public printing and binding for the current fiscal year, and for other purposes. Feb. 16 1877.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to supply deficiencies for Congressional printing and binding, including the Congressional Record, and the necessary materials therefor, for the current fiscal year: *Provided*, That of the above amount five thousand dollars may be used for printing and binding for the Supreme Court: *Provided further*, That from and after the close of the present session of Congress the Public Printer shall pay no greater price for composition than fifty cents per thousand ems and forty cents per hour for time work to printers and book-binders. Appropriation. Congressional printing. Supreme Court. Proviso. Pay of printers and book-binders.

Approved, February 16, 1877.

CHAP. 59.—An act authorizing the survey of certain townships in Michigan, and making an appropriation therefor. Feb. 16, 1877.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office is hereby directed to cause to be surveyed towns numbered eighteen and nineteen north, of range one west, in the State Appropriation. Surveying land in Michigan.