

CHAP. 86.—An act to protect the public property, turf and grass of the Capitol Grounds from injury. April 29, 1876.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the Capitol police hereafter to prevent any portion of the Capitol grounds and terraces from being used as play-grounds or otherwise, so far as may be necessary to protect the public property, turf and grass from destruction or injury.

Approved, April 29, 1876.

Use of Capitol grounds as play-grounds.

CHAP. 88.—An act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal years ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, and for prior years, and for other purposes. May 1, 1876.

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 they are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, and for former years, and for other purposes, namely:—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

For the following sums necessary for completing the service of the present fiscal year, namely:—For cartage, seven hundred and thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents. Post, pp. 225, 363.

For folding documents, including pay of folders and materials, twenty thousand dollars. Deficiency appropriation.

For furniture, and repairs of the same, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars. Cartage.

For miscellaneous items, sixty thousand dollars: *Provided,* That witnesses residing in the District of Columbia and not in the service of the government of said District or of the United States, who shall be summoned to give testimony before any committee of the House of Representatives, shall not be allowed exceeding two dollars for each day's attendance before said committee. Folding documents, etc.

For wages of certain messengers, folders, and laborers under the Doorkeeper of the House, eight hundred and fourteen dollars and forty cents. Furniture.

For amount due William M. Long for services under the Doorkeeper during the months of July and August, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, two hundred and twenty-three dollars and twenty cents. Miscellaneous items.

To defray the expenses of the investigation into the late elections in Mississippi, as authorized by a resolution of the Senate adopted March thirty-first, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, ten thousand dollars; and the disbursing officer of the Senate shall advance such parts of said sum, to the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, as the chairman of said committee shall in writing direct for the purposes aforesaid; and the Sergeant-at-Arms shall, as soon as may be, make a detailed report of the expenditures thereof, with proper vouchers, which, when so made, shall be received by said disbursing-officer and returned with his accounts to the proper officer of the Treasury Department. Proviso. Witnesses residing in Dist. of Col.

Doorkeeper's employés.

William M. Long.

Investigation of elections in Mississippi.

Advances to and report by Sergeant-at-Arms of Senate.

SENATE.

For compensation of Senators for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and seventy-five, eighty three dollars and nineteen cents. Compensation.

For the payment of mileage, for actual travel only, to Senators who took their seats at the session of the Senate convened on the fifth day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, by proclamation of the President, and who were not members of the previous Congress, six thousand three hundred and thirty-six dollars. Mileage.