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**CHAP. 8.**—An act authorizing the donation of twenty condemned bronze cannon to aid in the erection of a monument to the memory of General George A. Custer, at the Military Academy at West Point. Dec. 21, 1878.

*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 he hereby is, authorized and directed to deliver to the commandant of the United States Military Academy twenty condemned bronze cannon, if the same can be spared without detriment to the public service to be disposed of by him as he may see proper for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a monument to the memory of General George A. Custer on the grounds of the Military Academy at West Point. Geo. A. Custer. Cannon for monument.

Approved, December 21, 1878.

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**CHAP. 9.**—An act changing the time of holding the terms of the United States Circuit Court for the district of West Virginia. Dec. 21, 1878.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That hereafter the Circuit Court of the United States for the district of West Virginia shall be held at Parkersburg on the tenth days of January and June. And when either of said dates shall fall on Sunday the term shall commence on the following Monday. And all pending cases, process, rules, and proceedings shall be conducted in the same manner and with the same effect as to time as if this act had not passed. West Virginia. Time for holding term of circuit court at Parkersburg.

Approved, December 21, 1878.

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**CHAP. 10.**—An act to provide for a deficiency in the appropriation for transportation of mails by railroads for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine. Dec. 21, 1878.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the sum of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to meet the deficiency in the appropriation for the transportation of mails by railroads for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine: *Provided*, That no increase in the postal-car service beyond what existed on the first of December eighteen hundred and seventy-eight shall be made during the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine. Appropriation. Transportation of mail. *No increase of postal-car service.* 1879, ch. 180, *Post*, 357.

Approved, December 21, 1878.

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**CHAP. 11.**—An act to amend an act approved June twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight and to fix the rate of interest on bonds authorized by said act to be issued by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia and for other purposes. Dec. 23, 1878.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the provision of the act making appropriation for sundry civil expenses approved June twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, authorizing the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to issue bonds to redeem certain bonds of said District falling due January first and March first, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, be, and the same is hereby, amended so that the last clause of the paragraph containing said provision shall read as follows: "Said bonds shall be registered or coupon bonds and shall be of the denomination of one hundred dollars or five hundred dollars or both and shall be payable twenty years after date, and bearing a rate of interest, not exceeding six per centum, and not to be sold for less than their par value, and to be awarded to the most favorable bidder or bidders, after having been advertised by the Treasurer of the United States, as sinking- District of Columbia. 1878, ch. 359, *Ante*, p. 208. Issue of bonds. Character. Interest. Sales.