

That the second clause under the heading "Geological Survey" in the act of March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, and for other purposes", is hereby amended by adding at the end of the said clause the words "to be immediately available".

Geological Survey.
1879, ch. 182,
20 Stat., 394.

Approved, June 20, 1879.

[No. 13.] Joint resolution fixing the date on which the pay of the committee clerks, pages, and laborers of the House of Representatives, who are paid during the session only, shall begin for this session, and for other purposes.

June 24, 1879.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the pay of the thirty-five clerks to committees of the House of Representatives heretofore authorized by resolutions of the House, and of the twenty-nine pages, and of the laborers of the House, heretofore authorized by law or by resolution of the House, who are paid during the session only, shall begin for this session on the day of the organization of the House, the eighteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine; and the Clerk of the House is hereby authorized and directed to pay them from that date without regard to the date of their respective oaths of office.

House of Representatives.
Pay of clerks, etc.

SEC. 2. That the officers, clerks to committees, and employees of the Senate, including the Capitol police, who were employed previous to the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, and who continued in said employment to and including the fourth day of April, who have since ceased to be so employed, or who may cease to be so employed prior to December first, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, shall be paid a sum equal to one month's pay at the rate per annum they were paid when their employment ceased; and a sufficient sum for this purpose is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Extra pay to discharged employes.

SEC. 3. To enable the Secretary of the Senate to pay Lord Harleston as special messenger assisting on the floor of the Senate, from April fourth eighteen hundred and seventy-nine to June thirtieth eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, inclusive, at the usual salary of messenger, and S. B. Pennybaker as a page for the same period to the Senate; such sums as may be necessary are hereby appropriated but they shall not be paid any moneys under section two of this joint resolution.

Lord Harleston.

S. B. Pennybaker.

Approved, June 24, 1879.

[No. 14.] Joint resolution authorizing the appointment of a commission to lease a building for a city post-office in the city of Washington, District of Columbia.

June 27, 1879.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General, the chairman of the Senate and House Committees on Public Buildings and Grounds are hereby constituted a commission with authority to lease such building in the city of Washington, District of Columbia for the purpose of a city post-office, as in their judgment the good of the public service may require: *Provided,* That said lease shall be for a term of not less than three nor exceeding five years and at an annual rental not to exceed five thousand dollars per annum.

District of Columbia.
Commission to select post-office building.

Approved, June 27, 1879.

[No. 15.] Joint resolution to provide for the purchase of the stereotype plates of the final reports of the Centennial Commission upon the Centennial Exhibition of eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

June 27, 1879.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to purchase the stereotype plates

Appropriation.