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now paid in case of such disability, the sum of thirty dollars, in cases of total deafness, and such proportion thereof in cases of partial deafness as the Secretary of the Interior may deem equitable; the amount paid to be determined by the degree of disability existing in each case.

Approved, August 27, 1888.

August 27, 1888.

CHAP. 914.—An act to provide aid to State or Territorial homes for the support of disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States.

Disabled soldiers and sailors.
Aid to State homes for.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all States or Territories which have established, or which shall hereafter establish, State homes for disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States who served in the war of the rebellion, or in any previous war, who are disabled by age, disease, or otherwise, and by reason of such disability are incapable of earning a living, provided such disability was not incurred in service against the United States, shall be paid for every such disabled soldier or sailor who may be admitted and cared for in such home at the rate of one hundred dollars per annum. The number of such persons for whose care any State or Territory shall receive the said payment under this act shall be ascertained by the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, under such regulations as it may prescribe, but the said State or Territorial homes shall be exclusively under the control of the respective State or Territorial authorities, and the Board of Managers shall not have nor assume any management or control of said State or Territorial homes. The Board of Managers of the National Home shall, however, have power to have the said State or Territorial homes inspected at such times as it may consider necessary, and shall report the result of such inspections to Congress in its annual report.

Board of Managers of National Home to make rules, etc.

R. S., sec. 4825, p. 936.

Inspection.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. That the sum of two 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 carry out the provisions of this act, and payments to the States or Territories under it shall be made quarterly by the said Board of Managers for the National Home for Disabled Volunteers to the officers of the respective States or Territories entitled, duly authorized to receive such payments, and shall be accounted for as are the appropriations for the support of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

Payments.

Approved, August 27, 1888.

August 27, 1888.

CHAP. 915.—An act for the erection of a marine hospital at Evansville, Indiana.

Evansville, Ind. Marine hospital.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to purchase a site for, and cause to be erected thereon, a suitable building for a marine hospital at the city of Evansville, Indiana. The plans, specifications, and full estimates for said building shall be previously made and approved according to law, and shall not exceed, for the site and building complete, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars; nor shall any site be purchased until estimates for the erection of the building which will furnish sufficient accommodations for such hospital, and which shall not exceed in cost the balance of the sum herein limited, after the site shall have been purchased and paid for and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury: *Provided*, That no money appropriated for this purpose shall be available until a valid title to

Site, plans, etc.

Estimates.

Proviso.
Title, etc.