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power, endurance, and general efficiency, the gun and ammunition shall be paid for at a fair valuation, including cost of transportation, and contract shall be made at a price reasonable in the opinion of the Board, with the party presenting the best of such guns, for a further supply of similar guns, to be subjected to the usual service test before acceptance, the experimental gun and all guns purchased hereunder to be subject to inspection at each stage of manufacture, as follows, namely: For not less than fifty ten-inch steel guns; and for not less than fifty twelve-inch steel guns.

Contracts for purchase.

The Board is authorized to make all needful and proper purchases, investigations, experiments, and tests, to ascertain with a view to their utilization by the Government, the most effective guns, including multicharge guns and the conversion of Parrott and other guns on hand, small arms, cartridges, projectiles, fuzes, explosives, torpedoes, armor-plates, and other implements and engines of war; and the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to purchase or cause to be manufactured, such guns, carriages, armor-plates, and other war materials and articles as may, in the judgment of said Board, be necessary in the proper discharge of the duty herein devolved upon them: *Provided*, That the amount expended and liabilities incurred in such purchases, investigations, experiments, and tests shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars which sum is hereby appropriated: *Provided further*, That said Board shall test, and if found satisfactory, shall purchase two breach loading field guns of three and two tenths inch bore of aluminum bronze.

Investigations by the Board.

Proviso.
Limit of expenses.

Aluminum bronze guns.

That under the provisions of this section there shall not be expended or contract or contracts entered into involving the Government in an aggregate expenditure exceeding six million five hundred thousand dollars, nor an expenditure on the part of the Government in any one fiscal year in excess of two million dollars, and all guns and materials purchased under authority of this section shall be of American production and furnished by citizens of the United States.

Maximum expenditure.

For payment of the necessary expenses of the Board including a per diem allowance to each member thereof when employed on duty away from his permanent station, of two and one-half dollars a day, five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Expenses of Board.

Approved, September 22, 1888.

CHAP. 1037.—An act to amend section twelve hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes, concerning details of officers of the Army and Navy to educational institutions, and so forth.

September 26, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twelve hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by an act of Congress approved July fifth, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, be, and the same is hereby, further amended, so as to read as follows:

Detail of officers to educational institutions.
R. S., sec. 1225, p. 216, amended.
Vol. 23, p. 108.

"SEC. 1225. The President may, upon the application of any established military institute, seminary or academy, college or university, within the United States having capacity to educate at the same time not less than one hundred and fifty male students, detail an officer of the Army or Navy to act as superintendent, or professor thereof; but the number of officers so detailed shall not exceed fifty from the Army, and ten from the Navy, being a maximum of sixty, at any time, and they shall be apportioned throughout the United States, first, to those State institutions applying for such detail that are required to provide instruction in military tactics under the provisions of the act of Congress of July second, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, donating

Officers to institutions.

Limit.

Army.

Navy.

Agricultural colleges. Vol. 12, p. 503.

lands for the establishment of colleges where the leading object shall be the practical instruction of the industrial classes in agriculture and the mechanic arts, including military tactics; and after that, said details to be distributed, as nearly as may be practicable, according to population. The Secretary of War is authorized to issue, at his discretion and under proper regulations to be prescribed by him, out of

Ordnance stores, etc.

ordnance and ordnance stores belonging to the Government, and which can be spared for that purpose, such number of the same as may appear to be required for military instruction and practice by the students of any college or university under the provisions of this section, and the Secretary shall require a bond in each case, in double the value of the property, for the care and safe keeping thereof, and for the return of the same when required": *Provided*, That nothing

Proviso. Detail of engineer officers of the Navy. Vol. 20, p. 322.

in this act shall be so construed as to prevent the detail of officers of the Engineer Corps of the Navy as professors in scientific schools or colleges as now provided by act of Congress approved February twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An act to promote a knowledge of steam-engineering and iron-ship building among the students of scientific schools or colleges in the United States;" and the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to issue ordnance and ordnance stores belonging to the Government on the terms and conditions hereinbefore provided to any college or university at which a retired officer of the Army may be assigned as provided by

R. S., sec. 1260, p. 219.

section twelve hundred and sixty of the Revised Statutes.

Repeal provisions.

SEC. 2. That the said section twelve hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by the said act of Congress approved July fifth, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed, saving always, however, all acts and things done under the said amended section as heretofore existing.

Approved, September 26, 1888.

September 26, 1888.

CHAP. 1038.—An act to incorporate the Georgetown Barge, Dock, Elevator, and Railway Company.

Georgetown Barge, Dock, Elevator, and Railway Company incorporated. Incorporators.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Anthony Hyde, William A. Gordon, Robert B. Tenney, Henry H. Dodge, Morris J. Adler, Edward L. Dent, John A. Baker, John Marbury, and Henry M. Sweeny, their associates and assigns, be, and they are hereby, created a body corporate under the name of the Georgetown Barge, Dock, Elevator, and Railway Company, with authority to

Docks.

build and maintain a dock or docks on the Potomac River west of Rock Creek, and to receive therein, and send therefrom, barges, vessels, cargoes, and railway cars, from and to any points on the Potomac River and its tributaries and coastwise; and to construct and

Railway.

maintain single or double track railways in the city of Georgetown or West Washington, District of Columbia, through and along

Location.

Water street, beginning at a point on the west side of the Aqueduct Bridge, through and along said Water street, under said bridge to the eastern terminus of said Water street at Rock Creek, with the privilege of extending its tracks from the intersection of Water street and Washington or Thirtieth street along Washington or Thirtieth street to the Potomac River, and from the intersection of Virginia avenue and Washington or Thirtieth street along Virginia avenue to Rock Creek, with sidings, turn-outs, turn-tables, and switches necessary for the delivery of cars to warehouses and depots along said streets; and also to construct and maintain warehouses,