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And the words:

Ante, p. 323. —civilian employees: limit.

"*Provided*, That no more than one million dollars of the sums appropriated by this Act shall be paid out for the services of civilian employees in the Quartermaster's Department, including those heretofore paid out of the funds appropriated for regular supplies, incidental expenses, barracks and quarters, army transportation, clothing, camp and garrison equipage; that no employee paid therefrom shall receive a salary more than one hundred and fifty dollars per month, unless the same shall be specially fixed by law."

Ordnance Department. *Ante*, p. 326. Civilian clerks: limit.

Third. So much of the Act approved March fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, entitled "An Act making appropriations for the support of the Army for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine," under the heading Ordnance Department, as provides that not more than sixty-five thousand dollars of the money appropriated for the Ordnance Department in all its branches shall be applied to the payment of civilian clerks in said Department.

Admission free of war materials.

And be it further enacted, That during the existing war materials required by the War Department may, in the discretion of the Secretary of War, be purchased abroad and shall be admitted free of duty.

Purchases without advertisement.

And be it further enacted, That during the existing war the Bureau of Ordnance of the War Department is authorized to purchase without advertisement such ordnance and ordnance stores as are needed for immediate use, and when such ordnance and ordnance stores are to be manufactured then to make contracts without advertisement for such stores to be delivered as rapidly as manufactured.

Approved, June 7, 1898.

June 7, 1898.

CHAP. 393.—An Act Authorizing certain life-saving stations to be opened and manned during June and July, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Life-Saving Service. Operation at certain stations during June and July.

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 to keep such of the life-saving stations upon the Atlantic and Gulf coasts opened and manned for active service during the months of June and July, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, as he may deem advisable, the number of surfmen to be employed at each station during this period to be such as the General Superintendent of the Life-Saving Service shall determine, not to exceed the number now employed, and the compensation of each surfman shall be at the rate of sixty dollars per month.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. That for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the preceding section the sum of seventy thousand dollars, or such portion thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, June 7, 1898.

June 8, 1898.

CHAP. 394.—An Act Conferring on the supreme court of the District of Columbia jurisdiction to take proof of the execution of wills affecting real estate, and for other purposes.

District of Columbia. Supreme court invested with powers exercised by orphan's court, etc. Vol. 16, p. 161.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section four of the Act of Congress entitled "An Act relating to the supreme court of the District of Columbia," approved June twenty-first, eighteen hundred and seventy, be, and the same hereby is, amended so as to read as follows:

"That all the powers and jurisdiction by law held and exercised by the orphans' court of Washington County, District of Columbia, prior