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ninety-eight, from which date war with Spain is declared to have existed, and the eighth day of July, nineteen hundred and one, inclusive, the date on which the last organization of the Volunteer Army was mustered out of the service of the United States, to allow such credits for payments and for losses of funds, vouchers, and property as may be recommended under authority of the Secretary of War by the heads of the military bureaus to which such accounts respectively pertain.

Accounts to be closed.

SEC. 2. That the accounts of military officers, whether of the line or staff, for Government property charged to them, shall be closed by the proper accounting officers whenever, in the judgment of the Secretary of War, it will be for the interest of the United States to do so: *Provided*, That such accounts originated subsequent to April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and prior to the ninth day of July, nineteen hundred and one: *Provided further*, That no settlement shall be made by the officers of the Treasury, under this Act, of the accounts of any officer whose combined responsibility for public money and Government property shall exceed the sum of five thousand dollars, and only of such officers of the Army in whose accounts there is no apparent fraud against the United States: *And provided further*, That this Act shall remain in force for two years from and after its passage, and no longer.

Provisos.
Date of accounts.

Limitation.

In effect two years.

Approved, March 3, 1903.

March 3, 1903.
[Public, No. 141.]

CHAP. 991.—An Act For the relief of George A. Detchemendy.

George A. Detchemendy.
May be reappointed captain of infantry and retired.
Condition.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized to summon George A. Detchemendy, late captain in the Twenty-second Infantry, United States Army, before a retiring board, to inquire whether at the date of his resignation, accepted to take effect March tenth, nineteen hundred and two, he was incapacitated for active service and whether such incapacity was the result of an incident of service, and whether said resignation should have been accepted as valid, and upon the results of said inquiry the President is authorized to nominate and appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, the said George A. Detchemendy a captain of infantry, and to place him upon the retired list of the Army.

Approved, March 3, 1903.

March 3, 1903.
[Public, No. 142.]

CHAP. 992.—An Act Making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, and for other purposes.

District of Columbia appropriations.
Half from District revenues.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the half of the following sums named, respectively, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the other half out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, in full for the purposes following, being for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, namely:

General expenses.

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Executive office.
Salaries, Commissioners, etc.

FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICE: For two Commissioners, at five thousand dollars each; Engineer Commissioner, nine hundred and twenty-four dollars (to make salary five thousand dollars); secretary, two thousand