lars, in aid of a like sum contributed towards the same object by the town of Burlington.

road from Burlington to De Hagues.

Approved, March 3, 1839.

Statute III.
March 3, 1839.

Chap. LXXXVII.—*An Act providing for the erection of a fire-proof building for the use of the General Post Office Department.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized to cause to be erected a fire-proof building, of such dimensions and upon such plan of arrangement as may be required for the use and accommodation of the General Post Office Department, on the site of the Post Office building recently destroyed by fire; and, for this purpose, that he be authorized to appoint a skilful architect to prepare and submit to him the necessary plans for the proper construction of such building, which being approved by him shall be conformed to in the erection of the structure; and the said architect may be continued in the superintendence of the construction of the building, or another employed in that service, as the President may deem best. *Provided*, that not more than one architect shall be kept in the employment of the Government at Washington.

Fire-proof building to be erected.

Proviso.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the principal material of which the exterior walls of such building shall be constructed shall be such as the President of the United States shall direct, and shall be jointed, and laid in regular courses, in the most approved mode of such construction.

Material—how to be laid, &c.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That, for the erection of the building authorized by the first section of this act, there be, and hereby is, appropriated, the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated by law.

Appropriation.

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Statute III.
March 3, 1839.

Chap. LXXXVIII.—*An Act in addition to "An act to promote the progress of the useful arts."* (*a*)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be appointed, in manner provided in the second section of the act to which this is additional, two assistant examiners, each to receive an annual salary of twelve hundred and fifty dollars.

Act of July 4, 1836, ch. 357. Act of Aug. 29, 1842, ch. 263.
Two assistant examiners to be appointed—how—their salaries.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commissioner be authorized to employ temporary clerks to do any necessary transcribing whenever the current business of the office requires it; *Provided, however*, That instead of salary, a compensation shall be allowed, at a rate not greater than is charged for copies now furnished by the office.

Temporary clerks.
Proviso.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commissioner is hereby authorized to publish a classified and alphabetical list of all patents granted by the Patent Office previous to said publication, and retain one hundred copies for the Patent Office and nine hundred copies to be deposited in the library of Congress, for such distribution as may be hereafter directed; and that one thousand dollars, if necessary, be appropriated, out of the patent fund, to defray the expense of the same.

List of patents to be published.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of three thousand six hundred and fifty-nine dollars and twenty-two cents be, and is hereby, appropriated from the patent fund, to pay for the use and occupation of rooms in the City Hall by the Patent Office.

Pay for use of rooms in City Hall.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of one thousand dol-

Purchase of books.

(*a*) See notes of the acts granting patents for useful inventions, and of the decisions of the courts of the United States on the patent laws, vol. 1, 318.

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