Naval asylum at Philadelphia.

For conveying Schuylkill water to the naval asylum at Philadelphia, and for all necessary repairs, nine thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars;

Hospital near Norfolk.

For current expenses of the hospital and its dependencies near Norfolk, one thousand five hundred dollars;

Hospital at Pensacola.

For completing the hospital buildings at Pensacola, and building a wharf for landing the sick, four thousand dollars.

Steam vessels of war.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Navy, under the direction of the President, to make preparations for, and to commence, the construction of three steam vessels of war, on such models as shall be most approved, according to the best advices they can obtain, or to complete the construction of one such vessel of war, upon a model so approved, as in the opinion of the President shall be best for the public interest, and most conformable to the demands of the public service; and that to enable the Department to carry into effect this requirement, a part of the sum already appropriated for the gradual improvement of the navy, equal to the sum of three hundred and thirty thousand dollars, shall be, and is hereby, directed to be subject to the disposition of the Department for this object, in case that amount can be diverted from that appropriation without a violation of existing contracts, and if that cannot be done consistently with the rights of contractors and the public interests, then so much of the said sum of three hundred and thirty thousand dollars as can be so diverted to this object, from the appropriation referred to, shall be subject to the disposition of the Secretary of the Navy for this purpose, and the residue of the said sum of three hundred and thirty thousand dollars shall be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, and shall be paid, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: and the said sum of three hundred and thirty thousand dollars, to be expended in the manner in this section prescribed, shall be in addition to any materials now on hand, applicable to the construction of the said steam vessels of war.

Appropriation.

Approved, March 3, 1839.

Statute III.

March 3, 1839.

Chap. CCXXVI.—*An Act to provide for the erection of a new jail in the city of Washington, District of Columbia.*

New jail to be erected.

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 is hereby, authorized and required to cause a new jail to be erected for the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on such site as he may select; and that, for the purpose of carrying this act into effect, the sum of thirty-one thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided always*, That the said jail shall be built by contract, under the superintendence of the architect of public buildings, and that the cost shall in no event exceed the said sum of thirty-one thousand dollars.

Approved, March 3, 1839.

Statute III.

March 3, 1839.

Chap. CCXXIX. — *An Act to extend the jurisdiction of the corporation of the city of Washington over the Potomac bridge.*

Bounds extended. Corporation empowered to adopt rules, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the bounds of the county of Washington, and of the corporation of the city of Washington, be, and the same are hereby, extended so far as to comprehend the causeway and bridge lately constructed from the said city across the river Potomac, to the opposite shore: and the said corporation are

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