of money or goods shall be deemed and held to be null and void, and of no binding effect whatsoever.

One clerkship of $1000 discontinued.

Salaries of two clerkships increased.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the thirtieth day of June next, one of the clerkships of a thousand dollars in the office of Indian affairs shall be discontinued, and that to the salary of chief clerk of said office there shall be added the sum of one hundred dollars, and to one of the salaries of a thousand dollars the sum of two hundred dollars.

1850, ch. 91. 1851, ch. 12.

$5,000 appropriated for statistical and historical objects.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That in aid of the means now possessed by the Department of Indian Affairs through its existing organization, there be, and hereby is, appropriated the sum of five thousand dollars, to enable the said department, under the direction of the Secretary of War, to collect and digest such statistics and materials as may illustrate the history, the present condition, and future prospects of the Indian tribes of the United States.

$20,000 appropriated for presents to Camanche and other wild tribes.

Terry and Brothers to be reimbursed for advances.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purchase of presents for the Camanche and other Indians of Texas and the southwestern prairies, promised them in eighteen hundred and forty-six, and for the same object the present year, the sum of twenty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided*, That so much of this amount, not exceeding one half, as may be found necessary on a proper settlement of the account of Messrs. Terry and Brothers, be paid to them for presents which they advanced in the year eighteen hundred and forty-six, the War Department not having the authority to furnish them.

Compensation for special agent and two interpreters.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That for compensation of a special agent and two interpreters for one year, to enable the War Department to keep up such a communication with the said Indians as may be necessary towards the preservation of a good understanding with them, and securing peace on the frontier, the sum of three thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and that the sum of ten thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to carry into effect the treaty with the Camanche and other tribes of Indians.

Appropriation to carry into effect treaty with Camanches.

Expenses of commission under the Cherokee treaty.

Sec. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of six thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and placed at the discretion of the President to defray the expenses of the commission now sitting under the treaty between the United States and the Cherokee Indians of eighteen hundred and thirty-five and six.

Approved, March 3, 1847.

March 3, 1847.

Chap. LXVII. — *An Act giving the Consent of Congress to an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia authorizing the Levy of Tolls on the James River.*

Assent of Congress given to an act of Legislature of Virginia authorizing the collection of tolls on the James River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress be, and the same is hereby, given to an act passed by the General Assembly of the State of Virginia, on the fifth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-six, entitled "An Act to incorporate a Company to remove the Bars in James River between the City of Richmond and Bermuda Hundred," and that the authority as conferred by the said act on the company thereby created, to demand and receive the tolls therein specified on vessels navigating the said river,

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"on condition only that the same shall have been made navigable in any season at high water from Rochell's Landing, at the city of Richmond, to Bermuda Hundred, in the county of Chesterfield, by vessels drawing eleven feet and an half foot water," be, and the same is hereby, sanctioned and confirmed: *Provided, however*, and this assent is given on that express condition, that Congress may, at any time hereafter, repeal or modify the provisions of this act.

This act subject to modification or repeal.

APPROVED, March 3, 1847.