

CHAP. CLXXXIX. — *An Act to provide for the Erection of a Post-office Building at Dover, in the State of Delaware.* Feb. 21, 1873.

*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 and directed to cause to be constructed a suitable brick building, with a fire-proof brick vault, at Dover, Delaware, for a post-office; and the sum of forty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause proper plans and estimates to be made, so that no expenditure shall be made or authorized for the full completion of said building beyond the sum herein appropriated: *Provided,* That no money hereby appropriated shall be used or expended until a valid title to the land for a site, independent and unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings, shall be vested in the United States, nor until the State of Delaware shall cede its jurisdiction over the same, and also duly release and relinquish to the United States the right to tax or in any way assess said site or the property of the United States that may be thereon, during the time that the United States shall be or remain owner thereof.

APPROVED, February 21, 1873.

Building to be erected at Dover, Delaware, for a post-office.

Appropriation.

Plans and estimates.

Money not to be used until title of site is obtained and jurisdiction is ceded and right to tax released.

CHAP. CLXXXIV. — *An Act making Appropriations for the consular and diplomatic Service of the Government for the Year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and for other Purposes.* Feb. 22, 1873.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated for the service of the fiscal year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects herein-after expressed, namely:

Consular and diplomatic appropriations for year ending June 30, 1874.

For salaries of envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Great Britain, France, Germany, and Russia, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, seventy thousand dollars.

Envoys and ministers plenipotentiary.

To Spain, Austria, Brazil, Mexico, Japan, China, and Italy, at twelve thousand dollars each, eighty-four thousand dollars.

To Chili and Peru, at ten thousand dollars each, twenty thousand dollars.

For ministers resident at Portugal, Switzerland, Greece, Belgium, Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden and Norway, Turkey, Ecuador, Colombia, Bolivia, Venezuela, Hawaiian Islands, and the Argentine Republic, at seven thousand five hundred dollars each, one hundred and five thousand dollars.

Ministers resident.

For minister resident accredited to Guatemala, Costa Rica, Honduras, Salvador, and Nicaragua, to reside at the place that the President may select in any one of the States named, as by act making appropriations for the consular and diplomatic service, approved May twenty-second, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, ten thousand dollars: *Provided,* That the pay and allowances of said minister resident shall hereafter be ten thousand dollars per annum, and no more.

Guatemala, Costa Rica, &c. 1872, ch. 194. *Ante,* p. 142.

Proviso.

For minister resident at Uruguay, also accredited to Paraguay, ten thousand dollars: *Provided,* That the pay and allowances of said minister resident shall hereafter be ten thousand dollars per annum, and no more.

Uruguay and Paraguay. Proviso.

For salary of minister resident and consul-general at Hayti, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

Hayti and Liberia.

For minister resident and consul-general at Liberia, four thousand dollars.

For salaries of secretaries of legation at London, Paris, Berlin, and Saint Petersburg, at two thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars each, ten thousand five hundred dollars.

Secretaries of legation and assistants.

Private amanuensis for Robert C. Schenck. Vol. xvi. p. 590.

To enable Robert C. Schenck, minister to Great Britain, to employ a private amanuensis, according to joint resolution approved January eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, two thousand five hundred dollars.

Secretaries of legation and assistants.

For salaries of secretaries of legation to Austria, Brazil, Italy, Mexico, and Spain, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each, nine thousand dollars.

For salary of the secretary of legation to Japan, two thousand five hundred dollars.

Assistant secretaries to be called second secretaries.

For salaries of assistant secretaries of the legations to France, Great Britain, and Germany, at two thousand dollars each, six thousand dollars; and the said assistant secretaries shall hereafter be called second secretaries.

Interpreters.

For salary of the secretary of legation (acting also as interpreter) to the legation at China, five thousand dollars.

Interpreter of legation in Turkey.

For salary of the interpreter of legation in Turkey, three thousand dollars; and the salary thus appropriated may be paid to an interpreter, notwithstanding that he may not be a citizen of the United States, and on and after July first, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, the consul-general at Constantinople shall be also the secretary of legation in Turkey: *Provided*, That he shall receive compensation only as consul-general.

Consul-general at Constantinople to be secretary of legation.

Proviso.

Chargés d'affaires, &c.

For chargé d'affaires ad interim and diplomatic officers of the United States abroad, forty thousand dollars.

For salary of the interpreter to the legation at Japan, two thousand five hundred dollars.

Contingent expenses.

For contingent expenses of foreign intercourse proper, and of all the missions abroad, one hundred thousand dollars.

Consuls-general, consuls, consular clerks, &c.

For salaries of consuls-general, consuls, vice-consuls, commercial agents, and thirteen consular clerks, including loss by exchange, four hundred and nine thousand dollars, as follows:

Consulates General.

#### I.—CONSULATES GENERAL.

Schedule B.

*Schedule B.*—Alexandria, Calcutta, Constantinople, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Havana, Montreal, Shanghai, Beirut, Tampico, London, Paris.

Consulates.

#### II.—CONSULATES.

Schedule B.

*Schedule B.*—Aix-la-Chapelle, Acapulco, Algiers, Amoy, Amsterdam, Antwerp, Aspinwall, Bangkok, Basle, Belfast, Buenos Ayres, Bordeaux, Bremen, Brindisi, Boulogne, Barcelona, Cadiz, Callao, Canton, Chemnitz, Chin-Kiang, Clifton, Coaticook, Cork, Demerara, Dundee, Elsinore, Fort Erie, Foo Choo, Funchal, Geneva, Genoa, Gibraltar, Glasgow, Goderich, Halifax, Hamburg, Havre, Honolulu, Hong-Kong, Hankow, Hakodadi, Jerusalem, Kanagawa, Kingston, (Jamaica,) Kingston, (Canada,) La Rochelle, Laguayra, Leeds, Leghorn, Leipsic, Lisbon, Liverpool, Lyons, Malaga, Malta, Manchester, Matanzas, Marseilles, Mauritius, Melbourne, Messina, Munich, Mahe, Nagasaki, Naples, Nassau, (West Indies,) New Castle, Nice, Nantes, Odessa, Oporto, Osacca, Palermo, Panama, Pernambuco, Pictou, Port Mahon, Port Said, Prescott, Prince Edward Island, Port Sarnia, Pesth, Quebec, Rio de Janeiro, Rome, Rotterdam, San Juan del Sur, San Juan, (Porto Rico,) Saint John's, (Canada East,) Santiago de Cuba, Singapore, Smyrna, Southampton, Saint Petersburg, Santa Cruz, (West Indies,) Saint Thomas, Spezzia, Stuttgart, Swatow, Saint Helena, Tangier, Toronto, Trieste, Trinidad de Cuba, Tripoli, Tunis, Tunstall, Tien-Tsin, Türk's Island, Valparaiso, Vera Cruz, Vienna, Valencia, Windsor, (Canada West,) Zurich, Birmingham, Barmen, and Winnipeg, (Selkirk settlement, British North America,)

and hereafter the salary of the consul at Vienna shall be five thousand dollars.

Salary of consul at Vienna established. Consulates.

III.—CONSULATES.

*Schedule C.*—Aux Cayes, Bahia, Batavia, Bay of Islands, Cape Haytien, Candia, Cape Town, Carthagena, Ceylon, Cobija, Cyprus, Falkland Islands, Fayal, Guayaquil, Guaymas, Maranham, Matamoras, (Mexico,) Montevideo, Omoa, Payta, Para, Paso del Norte, Piræus, Rio Grande, Saint Catharine, Santiago, (Cape Verde,) Stettin, Santerem, Tabasco, Tahiti, Talcahuano, Tumbez, Venice, Windsor, (Nova Scotia,) Zanzibar.

Schedule C.

For the payment of salaries of consular officers not citizens of the United States, ten thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall each year report to Congress the names of consular officers not citizens of the United States to whom salaries have been paid, and also the circumstances under which they were appointed, and the allowance authorized by section twenty-two of the act of August eighteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An act to regulate the diplomatic and consular systems of the United States," to be made to consular officers in certain cases for office rent, may be increased to twenty per centum of the amount of annual compensation subject to the same limitation in said section contained.

Consular officers not citizens; names, &c., to be reported each year. Increase of allowance for rent. 1856, ch. 127, §22. Vol. xi. p. 80.

To reimburse R. S. Kendall, late consul of the United States at Strasbourg, for unavoidable expenses, incurred by the sudden discontinuance of that consulate in consequence of the invasion of France by Germany, one thousand dollars.

R. S. Kendall.

IV.—COMMERCIAL AGENCIES.

Commercial agencies.

*Schedule C.*—Amoor River, Apia, Gaboon, Saint Paul de Loanda, Lanthala, Sabinilla.

Schedule C.

V.—COMMERCIAL AGENCIES.

*Schedule B.*—Madagascar, San Juan del Norte, Santo Domingo.

Schedule B.

For interpreters to the consulates in China, Japan, and Siam, including loss by exchange, five thousand seven hundred dollars.

Interpreters.

For marshals for the consular courts in Japan, including that of Nagasaki, and in China, Siam, and Turkey, including loss by exchange thereon, seven thousand seven hundred dollars.

Marshals for consular courts.

For stationery, book-cases, arms of the United States, seals, presses, and flags, and payment of rent, freight, postage, and miscellaneous expenses, including loss by exchange thereon, one hundred thousand dollars; and the Secretary of State is hereby authorized to furnish seals to consular agents of the United States, the cost of which shall be defrayed out of the sum hereby appropriated.

Stationery, &c.

Seals to be furnished to consular agents.

For expenses for interpreters, guards, and other matters at the consulates at Constantinople, Smyrna, Candia, Alexandria, Jerusalem, and Beirut, in the Turkish dominions, three thousand dollars.

Consulates in Turkish dominions.

For rent of prisons for American convicts in Siam and Turkey, and for wages of the keepers of the same, including loss by exchange, four thousand dollars.

Prisons for American convicts.

For rent of prison for American convicts in China, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For wages of keepers, care of offenders, and expenses, ten thousand dollars.

For rent of prison for American convicts in Japan, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

- For wages of keepers, care of offenders, and expenses, five thousand dollars.
- Bringing home persons charged with crime. For expenses incurred in bringing home from foreign countries persons charged with crime, and expenses incident thereto, including loss by exchange, five thousand dollars.
- American seamen. For relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries, one hundred thousand dollars.
- Rescuing from shipwreck. For expenses which may be incurred in acknowledging the services of masters and crews of foreign vessels in rescuing American citizens from shipwreck, five thousand dollars.
- Neutrality act. 1818, ch. 88. Vol. iii. p. 447. To meet the necessary expenses attendant upon the execution of the neutrality act, to be expended under the direction of the President, in conformity with the third section of the act of May first, eighteen hundred and ten, entitled "An act fixing the compensation of ministers and consuls residing on the coast of Barbary, and for other purposes," twenty thousand dollars.
- 1810, ch. 10, § 3. Vol. ii. p. 609.
- Scheldt dues. Vol. xiii. p. 649. To meet the payment of the last annual instalment of the proportion contributed by the United States toward the capitalization of the Scheldt dues, sixty-six thousand five hundred and eighty-four dollars.
- Cape Spartel light. For the annual proportion due from the government of the United States of the expenses of Cape Spartel light, on the coast of Morocco, two hundred and eighty-five dollars.
- British claims commission. United States and British claims commission :  
For salaries of secretary, assistant secretary, messenger and watchman, four thousand four hundred dollars.  
For contingent expenses, namely: Rent, fuel, stationery, books, gas, printing, temporary clerks, and other miscellaneous expenses of similar character, twelve thousand two hundred and forty dollars.
- Spanish claims commission. United States and Spanish claims commission :  
For salaries of commissioner, counsel, secretary, and messenger, eleven thousand two hundred and twelve dollars.  
For contingent expenses, three thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight dollars.
- Mexican claims commission. United States and Mexican claims commission :  
For salaries of commissioner, umpire, agent, legal assistant to agent, secretary, two clerks at one thousand four hundred dollars each, two translators at one thousand five hundred dollars each, messenger, and assistant messenger, twenty-three thousand seven hundred dollars.  
For contingent expenses, five thousand dollars.
- Contingent expenses. SEC. 2. That when any diplomatic or consular officer of the United States shall die in a foreign country in the discharge of his duty, there shall be paid to his widow, or, if no widow survive him, then to his heirs at law, a sum of money equal to the allowance now made to such officer for the time necessarily occupied in making the transit from his post of duty to his residence in the United States. To meet the expense of this provision, there is hereby appropriated, for the year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.
- Appropriation. SEC. 3. That no consular officer of the United States shall hereafter grant a certificate for goods, wares, or merchandise shipped from countries adjacent to the United States, which have passed a consulate after purchase for shipment.
- Consular officers not to grant certificates for certain goods, &c., shipped from countries adjacent to the United States. APPROVED, February 22, 1873.