

LIBRARY.

For entomological and botanical works of reference, works on chemistry and mineralogy, charts, current agricultural works for library, miscellaneous agricultural periodicals, and the completion of imperfect series, one thousand five hundred dollars. Library.

INVESTIGATING DISEASES OF ANIMALS.

Investigating diseases of domestic animals: For continuing the investigation of infectious and contagious diseases to which all classes of domestic animals are subject, twenty-five thousand dollars. Diseases of domestic animals.

POSTAGE.

For postage on return letters, circulars, and miscellaneous articles for correspondents and foreign mail, four thousand dollars. Postage.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

For stationery, freight, express charges, fuel, lights, subsistence and care of horses, repairs of harness, paper, twine, and gum for folding-room, and for miscellaneous items, namely, for advertising, telegraphing, dry-goods, soap, brushes, brooms, mats, oils, paints, glass, lumber, hardware, ice, purchasing supplies, and for necessary items, including actual traveling expenses while on the business of the Department, fifteen thousand dollars. Contingent expenses.

FORESTRY.

For the purpose of enabling the Commissioner of Agriculture to experiment and to continue an investigation and report upon the subject of forestry, ten thousand dollars. Forestry.

TEA PLANTS.

To continue the cultivation and distribution of the tea-plant, three thousand dollars; one thousand of which shall be immediately available. Tea plants.

SILK CULTURE.

For the encouragement and development of the culture and raising of raw silk, fifteen thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture. Silk culture.

SEC 2. That no part of the sums herein or hereafter appropriated for the Department of Agriculture shall be paid to any person, as additional salary or compensation, receiving at the same time other compensation as an officer or employee of the Government; and in addition to the proper vouchers and accounts for the sums appropriated for the said Department to be furnished to the accounting officers of the Treasury, the Commissioner of Agriculture shall, at the commencement of each regular session, present to Congress a detailed statement of the expenditures of all appropriations for said Department for the last preceding fiscal year. Officers and employees prohibited from receiving salary or compensation other than herein provided.

Detailed statement of expenditures to be reported to Congress.

Approved, June 5, 1884.

CHAP. 72.—An act to declare the Cantilever Bridge constructed by the Niagara River Bridge Company across the Niagara River a Post Route. June 7, 1884.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Cantilever Bridge and its appurtenances which has been constructed across the Niagara River from a point on the right bank of the Niagara River between the Falls of the Niagara and the mountain ridge above Lewiston, to a point Cantilever bridge over Niagara River declared a lawful structure and post-route.

in Canada on the left bank of the said River, in pursuance of the Provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Niagara River Bridge Company" passed on the thirteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty one, or any Act or Acts of the said Legislature now in force amending the same, is hereby declared to be a lawful structure and an established Post Route for the mail of the United States.

Received by the President, May 27, 1884.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

June 9, 1884.

CHAP. 73.—An act fixing the rate of postage to be paid upon mail matter of the second class when sent by persons other than the publisher or news agent.

Second class mail matter, etc., rate of postage on.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the rate of postage on newspaper and periodical publications of the second class, when sent by others than the publisher or news agent, shall be one cent for each four ounces or fractional part thereof, and shall be fully prepaid by postage-stamps affixed to said matter.

Approved, June 9th, 1884.

June 11, 1884.

CHAP. 74.—An act to authorize the sale of a certain portion of the Fort Hays Military Reservation, Kansas, to the Ellis County Agricultural Society, of Kansas.

Fort Hays military reservation, Kansas; sale of portion of, authorized.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, by and with the advice and consent of the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to sell to the Ellis County Agricultural Society, of Kansas, on such terms as he may designate, for not less than the appraised value thereof, such value to be ascertained as in the case of other sales of lands subject to appraisement, a portion of the Fort Hays Military Reservation not to exceed one hundred and sixty-five acres in extent, and having such metes and bounds as the Secretary of War may designate: *Provided,* That the War Department shall retain entire control of Big Creek and all the timber along its banks on each side.

Proviso.

Approved, June 11, 1884.

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CHAP. 75.—An act to amend section twenty-seven hundred and forty-three of the Revised Statutes concerning the examination of drugs

R. S. 2743, 533. Salary of special examiner of drugs, etc., in Boston, Mass.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twenty-seven hundred and forty-three of the Revised Statutes is hereby so amended that the special examiner of drugs, medicines, chemicals, chemical preparations, dyes and dye-stuffs, paints, oils, varnishes, and other similar articles, at Boston, in Massachusetts, shall receive a salary of two thousand five hundred dollars, per annum, and shall be paid each year quarterly.

Approved, June 11, 1884.