

is authorized to expend not exceeding five thousand five hundred dollars for services of employees in the Bureau of Foreign Commerce (formerly the Bureau of Statistics), Department of State, in the work of compiling and distributing such reports; the sum of two thousand dollars for the cost of cablegrams in instructing consular officers to report upon matters of immediate importance to commerce and industry, and of cablegrams of consuls on such subjects; also to defray the extra expense imposed upon consular officers in collecting certain data where it seems to be warranted; and not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars in the purchase of such books, maps, and periodicals as may be necessary to the editing of diplomatic, consular, and other commercial reports: *Provided*, That all terms of measure, weight, and money shall be reduced to and expressed in terms of measure, weight, and coin of the United States, as well as in the foreign terms; that each issue of diplomatic, consular, and other commercial reports shall not exceed ten thousand copies.

*Proviso.*  
Equivalents of  
measure, etc.  
Limit of issue of re-  
ports.

#### CONTINGENT EXPENSES, UNITED STATES CONSULATES.

Contingent ex-  
penses, consulates.

Expenses of providing all such stationery, blanks, record and other books, seals, presses, flags, signs, rent, postage, furniture, statistics, newspapers, freight (foreign and domestic), telegrams, advertising, messenger service, traveling expenses of consular officers and consular clerks, compensation of Chinese writers, loss by exchange, and such other miscellaneous expenses as the President may think necessary for the several consulates, consular agencies, and commercial agencies in the transaction of their business, two hundred and five thousand dollars.

#### INTERNATIONAL UNION OF AMERICAN REPUBLICS.

Bureau of American  
Republics.  
*Proviso.*  
Use of receipts from  
other Republics, sales,  
etc.

Monthly Bulletin  
issue limited.

Commercial Bureau of American Republics, thirty-six thousand dollars: *Provided*, That any moneys received from the other American Republics for the support of the Bureau, or from the sale of the Bureau publications, from rents, or other sources shall be paid into the Treasury as a credit in addition to the appropriation, and may be drawn therefrom upon requisitions of the Secretary of State for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the Bureau: *And provided further*, That the Public Printer be, and is hereby, authorized to print an edition of the Monthly Bulletin, not to exceed five thousand copies, for distribution by the Bureau every month during the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and three.

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**CHAP. 273.**—An Act For the acknowledgment of deeds and other instruments in the Philippine Islands and Porto Rico affecting land situate in the District of Columbia or any Territory of the United States.

Philippine Islands  
and Porto Rico.  
Deeds, etc., affect-  
ing lands in District  
of Columbia and Ter-  
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notaries in.  
*Proviso.*  
Certification of no-  
tary's power.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That deeds and other instruments affecting land situate in the District of Columbia or any Territory of the United States may be acknowledged in the Philippine Islands and Porto Rico before any notary public appointed therein by proper authority or any officer therein who has ex officio the powers of a notary public: *Provided*, That the certificate by such notary in the Philippine Islands or in Porto Rico, as the case may be, shall be accompanied by the certificate of the attorney-general of Porto Rico or the governor or attorney-general of the Philippine Islands to the effect that the notary taking said acknowledgment was in fact the officer he purported to be.

Approved, March 22, 1902.