

dollars hereinafter appropriated. And the sum of forty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for incidental repairs of harbors for which there is no special appropriation provided for by law, and for examination and survey of such rivers and harbors, as in the judgment of the Secretary of War, will subserve the general interests of commerce.

Appropriation for repairs and surveys.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War is hereby directed to report to Congress on the first Monday of December next what legislation, in his opinion, is necessary to protect the breakwaters, piers, and other public works constructed by the United States against trespasses upon or injury thereto; and the Secretary of War is hereby directed to report to Congress at its next session all the instances in the United States in which piers, breakwaters, or other structures or works built or made by the United States in aid of commerce or navigation, are used, occupied, or injured by a corporation or an individual, and the extent and mode of such use, occupation, or injury, and the facts touching the same. Any person who shall wilfully and unlawfully injure any pier, breakwater, or other work of the United States for the improvement of rivers or harbors, or navigation in the United States, shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Reports by Secretary of War of necessary legislation and unlawful use of piers, etc.

Approved, August 14, 1876.

CHAP. 268.—An act to authorize the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to receive lands in payment of Judgments to Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Aug. 14, 1876.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Commissioners of Indian Affairs be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to collect and receive, in payment of the amount due on certain Judgments in favor of William Johnston and against William H. Thomas, now held by him in trust for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians of North Carolina, the lands mentioned and described in the award of Rufus Barringer, John H. Dillard, and Thomas Ruffin, as a board of arbitrators, under date of October twenty-third, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, upon which such judgments were a lien; such lands to be taken at their cash-value, to be determined by an appraisal to be approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and conveyed to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in fee-simple: *Provided*, That if the lands above mentioned shall not be sufficient in value to pay off and discharge said judgment, the Commissioner is authorized to receive such other lands as the said Eastern Band of Indians may select, by and with the assent of the said Commissioner, to an amount sufficient to discharge the said judgment.

Certain lands to be taken in satisfaction of judgments of William Johnston vs. William H. Thomas.

Proviso.

Approved, August 14, 1876.

CHAP. 269.—An act to change the name of the pleasure-yacht "Lydia." to that of "Sylph"

Aug. 14, 1876.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the name of the pleasure-yacht "Lydia," owned by Andrew C. Wheelwright, of Boston in the State of Massachusetts, be, and hereby is, changed to that of "Sylph," and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to grant said vessel a register under said name.

Name of yacht Lydia changed to Sylph.

Approved, August 14, 1876.

CHAP. 270.—An act establishing the port of Saint Paul, Minnesota, as a port of appraisal.

Aug. 14, 1876.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the provisions contained in, and the privileges accorded by, sections twenty-nine hundred and ninety, twenty-nine hundred and ninety-one, twenty-nine hundred and

Saint Paul to be port of appraisal. R. S., 2990 to 2997, pp. 579, 580.