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CHAP. 125.—An Act To authorize and direct Colonel George W. Goethals, Governor of the Canal Zone, and formerly chairman and chief engineer of the Isthmian Canal Commission, to investigate certain claims of the McClintic-Marshall Construction Company.

McClintic-Marshall Construction Company.
Governor of Canal Zone to investigate claims of, for work done.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Colonel George W. Goethals, Governor of the Canal Zone, and formerly chairman and chief engineer of the Isthmian Canal Commission, is hereby authorized and directed to investigate the claims of the McClintic-Marshall Construction Company, a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, having its principal office in the city of Pittsburgh, in said State, and to ascertain what amount, if any, is in justice, equity, and fairness due and owing to the said McClintic-Marshall Construction Company from the Isthmian Canal Commission for work and labor done and materials furnished in connection with the construction and erection of lock gates and appurtenances for the Panama Canal, and in connection with or incidental to the doing of the work and furnishing of the materials provided for in a certain contract between the Isthmian Canal Commission and said McClintic-Marshall Construction Company, dated June twenty-first, nineteen hundred and ten, taking into consideration the claim of the contractors that the work was done under requirements as to character and finish not fairly within the meaning of the specifications.

Authority and powers.

The said Colonel George W. Goethals, Governor of the Canal Zone, is further authorized and empowered, either personally or through such commission as he may appoint, to investigate such claims and the various items thereof in such manner as to him may seem best, and either personally or through such commission is hereby empowered to administer oaths and affirmations to witnesses, and to issue subpoenas and to compel the attendance of witnesses. He shall report in detail to the Congress of the United States his findings.

Report of findings.

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CHAP. 129.—An Act Making appropriations for fortifications and other works of defense, for the armament thereof, for the procurement of heavy ordnance for trial and service, and for other purposes.

Fortifications appropriations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sums of money herein provided for be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available and to continue available until expended, namely:

FORTIFICATIONS AND OTHER WORKS OF DEFENSE.

Engineer Department.

UNDER THE ENGINEER DEPARTMENT.

Gun and mortar batteries.
Modernizing emplacements.

For construction of gun and mortar batteries, \$250,000.
For modernizing older emplacements, the sum of \$100,000 is reappropriated and made available out of the aggregate unexpended balance of the appropriations for repair and protection of defenses of Pensacola, Florida, made in the Fortifications Appropriation Acts approved March second, nineteen hundred and seven, and March third, nineteen hundred and nine, respectively.

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Coast Artillery war instruction.

For the construction and installation of methods of Coast Artillery war instruction at Coast Artillery posts, including necessary material and labor therefor and for extra-duty pay to soldiers necessarily employed for periods not less than ten days, \$25,000.

For installation and replacement of electric-light and power plants at seacoast fortifications, \$50,000.

Electric plants.

For purchase and installation of searchlights for the defenses of our most important harbors, \$100,000.

Searchlights.

For the protection, preservation, and repair of fortifications for which there may be no special appropriation available, the sum of \$165,000 is reappropriated and made available out of the aggregate unexpended balance of the appropriations for repair and protection of defenses of Pensacola, Florida, made in the Fortifications Appropriation Acts approved March second, nineteen hundred and seven, and March third, nineteen hundred and nine, respectively.

Preservation, etc.

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For preparation of plans for fortifications and other works of defense, \$5,000.

Plans.

For the maintenance and repair of searchlights and electric-light and power equipment for seacoast fortifications, and for tools, electrical and other supplies, and appliances to be used in their operation, including the purchase of reserve lights, \$40,000.

Supplies, etc., for electric plants.

For construction of sea walls and embankments, \$25,000.

Sea walls, etc.

For preservation and repair of structures erected for the torpedo defense of the United States, and for maintaining channels for access to torpedo wharves, \$20,000.

Torpedo structures.

UNDER THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER.

For operation and maintenance of fire-control installations at seacoast defenses, \$130,000.

Signal Service.

Fire-control installations.

ARMAMENT OF FORTIFICATIONS.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of mountain, field, and siege cannon, including their carriages, sights, implements, equipments, and the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, \$450,000: *Provided*, That the Chief of Ordnance, United States Army, is authorized to enter into contracts or otherwise incur obligations for the purposes above mentioned not to exceed \$300,000 in addition to the appropriations herein and heretofore made.

Armament.

Mountain, field, and siege cannon.

Proviso.
Additional contracts authorized.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition for mountain, field, and siege cannon, including the necessary experiments in connection therewith and the machinery necessary for its manufacture at the arsenals, \$1,200,000.

Ammunition.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of seacoast cannon for coast defense, including their carriages, sights, implements, equipments, and the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, \$336,800: *Provided*, That the Chief of Ordnance, United States Army, is authorized to enter into contracts or otherwise incur obligations for the purposes above mentioned not to exceed \$300,000, in addition to the appropriations herein and heretofore made.

Seacoast cannon.

Proviso.
Additional contracts authorized.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition for seacoast cannon, and for modernizing projectiles on hand, including the necessary experiments in connection therewith, and the machinery necessary for its manufacture at the arsenals, \$140,000.

Ammunition.

Ammunition for seacoast artillery practice.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition, subcaliber guns, and other accessories for seacoast artillery practice, including the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, \$425,000.

For the alteration and maintenance of the mobile artillery, including the purchase and manufacture of machinery, tools, and materials necessary for the work and the expenses of the mechanics engaged thereon, \$45,000.

Altering mobile artillery, etc.

Ammunition for field,
etc., artillery practice.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition, subcaliber guns, and other accessories for mountain, field, and siege artillery practice, including the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, \$130,000.

Altering to rapid-fire
batteries, etc.

For the alteration of three and two-tenths inch batteries to rapid-fire field batteries, including sights, implements, equipments, and the materials and machinery necessary for alteration and manufacture at the arsenals, \$175,000.

Altering, etc., sea-
coast artillery.

For the alteration and maintenance of seacoast artillery, including the purchase and manufacture of machinery, tools, materials necessary for the work, and expenses of civilian mechanics and extra-duty pay of enlisted men engaged thereon, \$300,000.

Sandy Hook proving
ground.

PROVING GROUND, SANDY HOOK, NEW JERSEY.

Expenses, etc.

For current expenses of the ordnance proving ground, Sandy Hook, New Jersey, comprising the maintenance of rail and water transportation, repairs, alterations, accessories, and service of employees incidental to testing and proving ordnance matériel, hire of assistants for the Ordnance Board, purchase of instruments and articles required for testing and experimental work, building and repairing butts and targets, clearing and grading ranges, \$56,200.

Temporary employ-
ment.

For the necessary expenses of officers while temporarily employed on ordnance duties at the proving ground and absent from their proper station, at the rate of \$2.50 per diem while so employed, and the compensation of draftsmen while employed in the Army Ordnance Bureau on ordnance construction, \$18,700.

Submarine mines.

SUBMARINE MINES.

Purchase, etc.

For the purchase of submarine mines and necessary appliances to operate them for closing the channels leading to our principal seaports, and for continuing torpedo experiments, \$100,000.

Maintenance of sup-
plies, etc.

For the maintenance of the submarine-mine matériel within the limits of continental United States, for the purchase of the necessary machinery, tools, and implements for the repair shop of the torpedo depot at Fort Totten, New York, for extra-duty pay to soldiers necessarily employed for periods not less than ten days in connection with the issue, receipt, and care of submarine-mining matériel at the torpedo depot, and for torpedo-depot administration, \$68,000.

Fort Totten, N. Y.,
torpedo depot.

Insular possessions.

FORTIFICATIONS IN INSULAR POSSESSIONS.

Engineer Depart-
ment.

ENGINEER DEPARTMENT.

Seacoast batteries.

For construction of seacoast batteries, as follows:

Philippine Islands.

In the Philippine Islands, \$300,000.

Preservation, etc.

For protection, preservation, and repair of fortifications at the following localities:

Hawaiian Islands.

In the Hawaiian Islands, \$1,000.

Torpedo structures.

For preservation and repair of structures erected for torpedo defense, and for maintaining channels for access to torpedo wharves at the following localities:

Hawaiian Islands.

In the Hawaiian Islands, \$2,000;

Philippine Islands.

In the Philippine Islands, \$1,000;

In all, \$3,000.

Land defenses, Ha-
waii.

For land defenses in the Hawaiian Islands, including the procurement and installation of searchlights, and the acquisition of land and rights of way, \$457,000.

Reserve equipment.

For reserve equipment at the following localities:

Hawaiian Islands.

In the Hawaiian Islands, \$50,000;

In the Philippine Islands, \$100,000.

For tools, electrical and other supplies and appliances, to be furnished by the Engineer Department for the use of the troops for maintaining and operating searchlights and electric light and power plants at seacoast fortifications—

In the Hawaiian Islands, \$1,000;

In the Philippine Islands, \$3,000;

In all, \$4,000.

Philippine Islands.
Tools, etc., electric plants.

Hawaiian Islands.
Philippine Islands.

UNDER THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER.

For operation and maintenance of fire-control installations at seacoast defenses, \$10,000.

Signal Service.
Fire-control installations.

ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.

For the purchase, manufacture, and test of seacoast cannon for coast defenses, including their carriages, sights, implements, equipments, and the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, \$100,000.

Armament.
Seacoast cannon.

The transfer of thirty-one six-pounders, eight four and seventy-two one-hundredths inch, two five-inch, and four six-inch guns and mounts having an approximate value of \$258,000, and of ammunition therefor having an approximate value of \$165,500, from fortifications in the United States to the insular possessions for land-defense purposes is approved.

Transfer of guns from continental fortifications.

For purchase, manufacture, and test of ammunition for seacoast cannon, including the necessary experiments in connection therewith, and the machinery necessary for its manufacture at the arsenals, \$400,000.

Ammunition for seacoast cannon.

For the alteration and maintenance of the seacoast artillery, including the purchase and manufacture of machinery, tools, and materials necessary for the work, and expenses of the civilian mechanics, and extra-duty pay of enlisted men engaged thereon, \$35,000.

Altering, etc., seacoast artillery.

For the mechanical supervision of the installation of seacoast artillery, including the purchase and manufacture of machinery, tools, and materials necessary for the work, and expenses of civilian mechanics, and extra-duty pay of enlisted men engaged thereon, \$500.

Installing seacoast artillery.

For the maintenance of the submarine mine matériel in the insular possessions, \$7,500.

Submarine mine supplies.

UNDER THE CHIEF OF ARTILLERY.

For construction of fire-control stations and accessories, including purchase of lands and rights of way, and for the purchase and installation of necessary lines and means of electrical communication, including telephones, dial and other telegraphs, wiring and all special instruments, apparatus and materials, coast signal apparatus, and salaries of electrical experts, engineers, and other necessary employees connected with the use of coast artillery; for the purchase, manufacture, and test of range finders and other instruments for fire control at the fortifications, and the machinery necessary for their manufacture at the arsenals, \$55,000.

Chief of Artillery.
Fire-control stations, etc.

Range finders.

All material purchased under the provisions of this Act shall be of American manufacture, except in cases when, in the judgment of the Secretary of War, it is to the manifest interest of the United States to make purchases in limited quantities abroad, which material shall be admitted free of duty.

Material to be of American manufacture.

Price for powder limited.

No part of any money appropriated by this Act shall be expended for powder other than small-arms powder at a price in excess of 53 cents a pound.

Restriction on purchases, if articles can be made at arsenals.

Of each of the sums appropriated by this Act, after deducting any amounts required to meet obligations authorized in previous Acts to be entered into by contract, not more than ten per centum may be used to purchase not exceeding ten per centum in quantity or value of any article or material herein appropriated for that can be manufactured at the arsenals of the Ordnance Department, except when contract costs are less than arsenal manufacturing costs.

Board of Ordnance and Fortification.

BOARD OF ORDNANCE AND FORTIFICATION.

Purchases, tests, etc.

To enable the board to make all needful and proper purchases, experiments, and tests to ascertain, with a view to their utilization by the Government, the most effective guns, small arms, cartridges, projectiles, fuses, explosives, torpedoes, armor plates, and other implements and engines of war, and to purchase or cause to be manufactured, under authority of the Secretary of War, such guns, carriages, armor plates, and other war material as may, in the judgment of the board, be necessary in the proper discharge of the duty devolved upon it by the Act approved September twenty-second, eighter hundred and eighty-eight; to pay the salary of the civilian member of the Board of Ordnance and Fortification provided by the Act of February twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and for the necessary traveling expenses of said member when traveling on duty as contemplated in said Act; for the payment of the necessary expenses of the board, including a per diem allowance to each officer detailed to serve thereon, when employed on duty away from his permanent station, of \$2.50 a day; and for the test of experimental guns, carriages, and other devices procured in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Ordnance and Fortification, \$15,000, the expenditure of which shall be made by the several bureaus of the War Department heretofore having jurisdiction of the same, or by the board itself, as the Secretary of War may direct: *Provided*, That before any money shall be expended in the construction or test of any gun, gun carriage, ammunition, or implements under the supervision of the said board, the board shall be satisfied, after due inquiry, that the Government of the United States has a lawful right to use the inventions involved in the construction of such gun, gun carriage, ammunition, or implements, or that the construction or test is made at the request of a person either having such lawful right or authorized to convey the same to the Government.

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Per diem, etc.

Tests, etc.

Proviso. Right to use inventions.

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CHAP. 130.—An Act Making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fifteen, and for other purposes.

Naval service appropriations.

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 they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the naval service of the Government for the year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fifteen, and for other purposes:

Pay, miscellaneous.

PAY, MISCELLANEOUS.

Schedule of all pay and allowances to be sent to Congress.

The Secretary of the Navy shall send to Congress at the beginning of its next regular session a complete schedule or list showing the