

since the first January, eighteen hundred and forty-six, thirty thousand dollars.

## Surveys.

For surveys in reference to the military defences of the frontier, inland and Atlantic, twenty thousand dollars.

For military and geographical surveys west of the Mississippi, thirty thousand dollars.

For continuing the surveys of the northern and north-western lakes, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Appropriation for increase of rank and file of the army.

1846, ch. 17.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, to meet the expenditures which may be incurred under the acts passed during the present session "to authorize an increase of the rank and file of the army, and to provide for raising a regiment of mounted riflemen," viz.:

## Pay.

For pay, eight hundred and fourteen thousand five hundred and twelve dollars.

Officers' subsistence.

For commutation of officers' subsistence, twelve thousand seven hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Forage for officers' horses.

For commutation of forage for officers' horses, eight thousand one hundred and sixty dollars.

Payments in lieu of clothing.

For payment in lieu of clothing to officers' servants, one thousand one hundred and ten dollars.

Subsistence.

For subsistence in kind, four hundred and eighty-seven thousand four hundred and forty-two dollars.

Recruiting.

For expenses of recruiting, seventy-nine thousand six hundred dollars.

Clothing, equipage, &c.

For clothing, camp, garrison, and horse equipage, two hundred and eighty-four thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Regular supplies of quartermaster's department.

For the regular supplies of the quartermaster's department, consisting of fuel, forage, straw, &c., one hundred and thirteen thousand dollars.

Incidental expenses of quartermaster's department.

For the incidental expenses of the quartermaster's department, consisting of expenses of courts-martial and courts of inquiry, extra pay to soldiers, purchase of horses for dragoons, &c., ninety-three thousand five hundred dollars.

Transportation and supplies.

For transportation of troops and supplies for the army, three hundred and twenty-two thousand dollars.

Medical and hospital department.

For the medical and hospital department, twenty thousand dollars.

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CHAP. XCVI. — *An Act making Appropriations for the Support of the Military Academy for the Year ending on the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.*

Appropriation.

*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 out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending on the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-seven:

Pay.

For pay of officers, instructors, cadets, and musicians, seventy-eight thousand nine hundred dollars.

Subsistence.

For commutation of subsistence, five thousand two hundred and fifty-six dollars.

Forage.

For commutation of forage for officers' horses, two thousand four hundred dollars.

Clothing.

For clothing for their servants, four hundred and twenty dollars.

Incidental and

For repairs and improvements, fuel, and apparatus, forage for public

horses and oxen, stationery, printing, and other incidental and contingent expenses, twenty thousand dollars.

For completing the barracks for cadets, fifteen thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the President be authorized to appoint a board of visitors, to attend the annual examination of the Military Academy, whose duty it shall be to report to the Secretary of War, for the information of Congress, at the commencement of the next succeeding session, the actual state of the discipline, instruction, police administration, fiscal affairs, and other concerns, of the institution : *Provided*, That the whole number of visitors each year shall not exceed the half of the number of States in the Union ; and that they shall be selected, alternately, from every second State, each member being a *bonâ fide* resident citizen of the State from which he shall be appointed ; that not less than six members shall be taken from among officers actually serving in the militia ; and that a second member shall not be taken from any Congressional district, until every other district in the State shall have supplied a member : *Provided, further*, That no compensation shall be made to said members beyond the payment of their expenses for board and lodging while at the Military Academy, and an allowance not to exceed eight cents per mile, for travelling by the shortest mail route from their respective homes to the Academy, and back to their homes. And the sum of two thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of said board of visitors, at the next annual examination.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the teacher of drawing, and the first teacher of French, at the Military Academy, shall hereafter be, respectively, professor of drawing, and professor of the French language.

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contingent expenses.

Barracks.

Board of visitors to be appointed.

How selected.

Compensation.

Appropriation.

Certain teachers to be professors.

CHAP. XCVII. — *An Act supplementary to the Act passed on the twentieth Day of February, eighteen hundred and forty-six, entitled "An Act to enlarge the Powers of the several Orphans' Courts held in and for the District of Columbia."*

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1846, ch. 8, ante, p. 4.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That every orphan, or other infant, to whom the Orphans' Courts of the District of Columbia are authorized and empowered by the act to which this act is supplementary, or by any other law in force in the said district, or in either county thereof, to appoint a guardian, shall be entitled, on arriving at the age of fourteen years, or at any age between fourteen and twenty-one years, notwithstanding any appointment of guardian before made by such courts, or either of them, to elect a guardian for himself or herself : *Provided*, The Orphans' Court within whose jurisdiction may be the person and residence of such orphan, or any property, real, personal, or mixed, to which such orphan is entitled, or where a guardian had been duly appointed before, the court by which said former guardian had been appointed, approve the character and competency of the person so elected guardian : *And provided*, such Orphans' Court shall and may require of the guardian, so elected, such security, and exercise towards him all such jurisdiction and powers for compelling the faithful administration of his trust, as are provided in the said act, or any other law in force as aforesaid, in the cases of guardians appointed by the said court ; and if the said court, in the due exercise of such, its jurisdiction and powers, shall see fit to supersede and remove such guardian, or if such guardian die, or become incompetent during the minority of such orphan, the said court shall forthwith cite such orphan to appear and make a new election of guardian, which such orphan may do under the same

Orphan children may select guardians in certain cases.

Selection to be subject to the approval of the court.

Security to be given by guardian.

Supersedure.