

prior to the thirty-first day of July, eighteen hundred and seventy-two: *Provided*, That the owner of such merchandise shall, within thirty days from the passage of this act make application therefor in writing to the collector of the port at which such merchandise arrived."

Application to be made within thirty days.

Approved, June 3, 1874.

CHAP. 204.—An act donating condemned cannon and cannon-balls to the posts of the Grand Army of the Republic of Philadelphia and other associations, for monumental purposes.

June 3, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, authorized to deliver, if the same can be done without detriment to the Government, two condemned cannon and eight cannon-balls to each of the following-named organizations, for the purpose of ornamenting burial-grounds of deceased soldiers: To the post numbered two, Grand Army of the Republic, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to the post numbered five, Grand Army of the Republic, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to the post numbered six, Grand Army of the Republic, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to the post numbered seven, Grand Army of the Republic, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to the post numbered eight, Grand Army of the Republic, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to the post numbered ten, Grand Army of the Republic, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to the post numbered seventy-one, Grand Army of the Republic, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to the post numbered nineteen, Grand Army of the Republic, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and four condemned cannon and sixteen cannon-balls to each of the following organizations, namely: To the corporate authorities of the town of Winterport, State of Maine; to the Soldiers' Monument Association of Henderson County, State of Illinois; to the Northumberland county Monument Association of Pennsylvania; to Fuller post No seventy-four, Grand Army of the Republic, Catasauqua, Pennsylvania; to Delaware county Soldiers and Sailors' Monument Association, at Chester, Pennsylvania; to Chapman Post, No sixty one, Grand Army of the Republic at Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania; to Doubleday Post, No one hundred and eighty-nine, of the Grand Army of the Republic at Tamaqua, Pennsylvania; to the Monumental Association at York, Pennsylvania; to post No thirty, Grand Army of the Republic, at Cambridge, Massachusetts; to post No. sixty-eight, Grand Army of the Republic at Boston, Massachusetts; to the Soldiers' Monument Association at Springfield, Massachusetts; to post No. one hundred and twenty-two Grand Army of the Republic, at Amesbury, Massachusetts; to the Trustees of the Soldiers' Monument Fund, at Akron, Ohio; to the officers of the Soldiers' Monument Association at Chalmette, Louisiana; to the Soldiers' Monument Association at Pomeroy, Ohio; to post No. sixty-three, Grand Army of the Republic, at Natick, Massachusetts; to post No. five, Grand Army of the Republic, at Morgantown, West Virginia; to post No. eighty-nine, Grand Army of the Republic, at Beverly, Massachusetts; to the Soldiers' Monument Association at Binghamton, New York; and to the Soldiers' Monument Association at Alliance, Ohio.

Condemned cannon granted to various organizations for monumental purposes.

Approved, June 3, 1874.

CHAP. 205.—An act to provide for the better protection of the frontier settlements of Texas against Indian and Mexican depredations.

June 3, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to construct and operate a line of telegraph, beginning at or near the city of Denison, in Grayson county, Texas; thence by the nearest practicable route to Fort Sill, Indian Territory;

Construction of telegraph in Texas and Indian Territory to connect military posts.