

June 22, 1874.

CHAP. 412.—An act authorizing the Secretary of War to deliver certain condemned ordnance to the municipal authorities of Lexington, Massachusetts, for monumental purposes.

Condemned cannon granted to authorities of Lexington, Massachusetts, for monumental purposes.

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 deliver to the municipal authorities of Lexington, Massachusetts, ten pieces of condemned brass cannon to be used for monumental purposes in commemoration of the battle of Lexington on the nineteenth day of April, seventeen hundred and seventy-five.

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CHAP. 413.—An act authorizing the Secretary of War to sell unserviceable ordnance stores, and for other purposes.

Sale of unserviceable ordnance stores.

Net proceeds to be covered into Treasury.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to be caused to be sold in such manner, and at such times and places, and in such quantities, as shall most conduce to the interest of the United States, all obsolete and unserviceable ammunition and leaden balls, and the surplus of pig lead in excess of two thousand tons now stored in the various arsenals of the United States, and to cause the net proceeds of such sale, after paying all costs and expenses of breaking up and preparing said ammunition for sale, and all the necessary expenses of such sale, including the cost of transportation to the place of sale, to be covered into the Treasury of the United States with full accounts of said expenses.

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CHAP. 414.—An act providing for the collection of moneys due the United States from the Pacific Railroad Companies.

Secretary of Treasury to require payment of five per centum net earnings from Pacific Railroad companies.

1862, ch. 120, vol. xii, pp. 489-498.
1864, ch. 216, vol. xiii, pp. 356-365.
1873, ch. 226, §§ 3, 4, vol. xvii, pp. 590-599.

Failure to pay within sixty days after demand to be certified to Attorney General.

Attorney General to institute suits and proceedings.

To prosecute with dispatch.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and hereby is, directed to require payment of the railroad-companies, their successors and assigns, or the successors or assigns of any or either of said companies, of all sums of money due or to become due, the United States for the five per centum of the net earnings provided for by the act entitled "An act to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph-line from the Missouri River to the Pacific Ocean, and to secure to the Government the use of the same for postal, military, and other purposes" approved July first, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, or by any other act or acts in relation to the companies therein named, or any other such company or companies, and in case either of said railroad-companies shall neglect or refuse to pay the same within sixty days after demand therefor made upon the treasurer of such railroad company, the Secretary of the Treasury shall certify that fact to the Attorney General, who shall thereupon institute the necessary suits and proceedings to collect and otherwise obtain redress in respect of the same in the proper circuit courts of the United States, and prosecute the same, with all convenient dispatch to a final determination

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