

For law and miscellaneous books for office of the Solicitor of the Treasury, five hundred dollars. Miscellaneous books.

**COURT OF CLAIMS.**—For salaries of five judges of the Court of Claims, at four thousand five hundred dollars each; chief clerk, three thousand dollars; one assistant clerk, two thousand dollars; bailiff, one thousand five hundred dollars; and messenger thereof; in all, twenty-nine thousand eight hundred and forty dollars. Salaries of judges of the Court of Claims, chief clerk, and others

For stationery, books, fuel, labor, postage, and other contingent and miscellaneous expenses, two thousand five hundred dollars; for reporting the decisions of the court, clerical hire, labor in preparing and superintending the printing of the fifteenth volume of the Reports of the Court of Claims, to be paid on the order of the court, one thousand dollars; in all, three thousand five hundred dollars. Contingent expenses.  
Reports Court of Claims.

**SEC. 2.** That the Secretaries respectively of the Departments of State, of the Treasury, War, Navy, and of the Interior, and the Attorney-General, are authorized to make requisitions upon the Postmaster-General for the necessary amount of official postage-stamps for the use of their departments, not exceeding the amount stated in the estimates submitted to Congress; and upon presentation of proper vouchers therefor at the Treasury, the amount thereof shall be credited to the appropriation for the service of the Post-Office Department for the same fiscal year. Secretaries of departments authorized to make requisition for official stamps.

**SEC. 3.** That the pay of assistant messengers, firemen, watchmen, and laborers provided for in this act, unless otherwise specially stated, shall be as follows: For assistant messengers, firemen, and watchmen, seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum each; for laborers, six hundred and sixty dollars per annum each. Pay of assistant messengers and others not otherwise provided for, stated.

**SEC. 4.** That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed. Repeal provisions.

Approved, June 15, 1880.

**CHAP. 226.**—An act to change the name of the steamboat "L. Boardman" to "River Belle". June 15, 1880.

*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, authorized to change the name of the steamboat "L. Boardman", of New York, to "River Belle", and grant said steamboat proper marine papers in that name. This act to take effect immediately. Steamboat "L. Boardman."

Approved, June 15, 1880.

**CHAP. 227.**—An act relating to the public lands of the United States. June 15, 1880.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That when any lands of the United States shall have been entered and the Government price paid therefor in full no criminal suit or proceeding by or in the name of the United States shall thereafter be had or further maintained for any trespasses upon or for or on account of any material taken from said lands and no civil suit or proceeding shall be had or further maintained for or on account of any trespasses upon or material taken from the said lands of the United States in the ordinary clearing of land, in working a mining claim or for agricultural or domestic purposes or for maintaining improvements upon the land of any bona fide settler or for or on account of any timber or material taken or used by any person without fault or knowledge of the trespass or for or on account of any timber taken or used without fraud or collusion by any person who in good faith paid the officers or agents of the United States for the same or for or on account of any alleged conspiracy in relation thereto: *Provided,* That the provisions of this section shall apply only to tres- Public lands.  
Entry and payment of price to estop suit for trespass.  
  
Bona fide settlers protected from suit.  
  
Proviso.

*Proviso.*

passes and acts done or committed and conspiracies entered into prior to March first, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine: *And provided further*, That defendants in such suits or proceedings shall exhibit to the proper courts or officer the evidence of such entry and payment and shall pay all costs accrued up to the time of such entry.

Homestead en-  
tries, sale of.

SEC. 2. That persons who have heretofore under any of the homestead laws entered lands properly subject to such entry, or persons to whom the right of those having so entered for homesteads, may have been attempted to be transferred by bona fide instrument in writing, may entitle themselves to said lands by paying the government price therefor, and in no case less than one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, and the amount heretofore paid the government upon said lands shall be taken as part payment of said price: *Provided*, This shall in no wise interfere with the rights or claims of others who may have subsequently entered such lands under the homestead laws.

*Proviso.*

Price of lands  
in alternate sec-  
tions granted rail-  
road companies re-  
duced to \$1.25 per  
acre.

SEC. 3. That the price of lands now subject to entry which were raised to two dollars and fifty cents per acre, and put in market prior to January, eighteen hundred and sixty one, by reason of the grant of alternate sections for railroad purposes is hereby reduced to one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre.

Mineral lands  
excepted from pro-  
visions of act.

SEC. 4. This act shall not apply to any of the mineral lands of the United States; and no person who shall be prosecuted for or proceeded against on account of any trespass committed or material taken from any of the public lands after March first, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine shall be entitled to the benefit thereof.

Approved, June 15, 1880.

June 16, 1880.

**CHAP. 234.**—An act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, and for prior years, and for those certified as due by the accounting-officers of the Treasury in accordance with section four of the act of June fourteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, heretofore paid from permanent appropriations, and for other purposes.

Deficiency ap-  
propriations, 1880  
and prior years.

*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 objects hereinafter stated, namely:

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Contingent ex-  
penses of Execu-  
tive Office.

For contingent expenses of the executive office, including stationery therefor, one thousand dollars.

Mrs. Bettie Tay-  
lor Dandridge,  
Miss Sarah Knox  
Wood, daughter  
and granddaugh-  
ter of the late  
President, General  
Zachary Taylor.

That the Secretary of the Treasury pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Mrs. Bettie Taylor Dandridge and Miss Sarah Knox Wood, daughter and granddaughter of General Zachary Taylor, late President of the United States, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars: *Provided always*, That any sum of money which shall have been paid to President Taylor or to the personal representatives of the said Zachary Taylor since his death, on account of his salary as President of the United States for the year from March fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty, to March fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, shall be deducted from the said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

*Proviso.*

Botanic Garden.  
Putting up seeds,  
labor, and labels.

**BOTANIC GARDEN.**—For extra labor on the grounds, putting up seeds, and printing labels, eight hundred and fifty dollars.

## LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

## SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.

Report of Doctor  
Emil Bessels, on  
Arctic expedition.

For completing the preparation, with the necessary illustrations, of the report of Doctor Emil Bessels, of the scientific results of the Arctic