

Appropriation. money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of  
 Military posts. acquiring sites and erecting thereon such military posts on or near the  
 Rio Grande frontier as may be deemed necessary by the Secretary of  
 War for the adequate protection thereof: *Provided*, That none of said  
*Proviso.* appropriation shall be used for the purposes aforesaid until a valid title  
 Title of sites. to said sites be vested in the United States: *And provided further*, That  
*Proviso.* the State of Texas shall duly release and relinquish to the United States  
 Jurisdiction of the right to assess or tax said sites, or any of them, or any improve-  
 United States. ments placed thereon for military purposes, so long as the United States  
 shall remain the owner thereof.

Approved, April 16, 1880.

April 16, 1880. **CHAP. 53.**—An act donating six condemned cannon and cannon-balls to Post Num-  
 ber Sixty-six, Grand Army of the Republic, of Muncy, Pennsylvania, for monu-  
 mental 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,  
 Post No. 66, and he hereby is, authorized to deliver, if the same can be done without  
 Grand Army of the detriment to the government, to Post Number Sixty-six, Grand Army  
 Republic, of Muncy, Pa. of the Republic, of Muncy, Pennsylvania, six condemned cannon and  
 Condemned can- cannon-balls, to be used in ornamenting a monument erected in honor of  
 nion and balls for a monument. the deceased soldiers of said Muncy, Pennsylvania.

Approved, April 16, 1880.

April 16, 1880. **CHAP. 54.**—An act to donate twelve condemned bronze cannon to the Blair Monu-  
 ment Association of Saint Louis, Missouri.

*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,  
 Blair Monument and is hereby, authorized and directed to deliver to the Blair Monument  
 Association, of Saint Louis, Missouri, or its proper officers, twelve con-  
 Louis, Mo. demned bronze cannon, if the same can be spared without injury to the  
 Condemned can- public service, for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a monument  
 nion for a monu- to the late Major-General Francis P. Blair, junior, at the city of Saint  
 ment. Louis, Missouri.

Approved, April 16, 1880.

April 16, 1880. **CHAP. 55.**—An act to change the name of the steamer "J. H. Kelly" to "John  
 Thorn"

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United  
 States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Treas-  
 Steamer "John ury is hereby authorized to change the name of the steamer "J. H.  
 Thorn." Kelly", of Clayton, New York, to "John Thorn", by which name said  
 steamer may be licensed and known.

Approved, April 16, 1880.

April 16, 1880. **CHAP. 56.**—An act relating to justices of the peace in the Territories.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United  
 States of America in Congress assembled*, That when from any cause there  
 Justices of the shall be a vacancy in the office of justice of the peace in any of the  
 Territories. Territories of the United States, it shall be lawful to fill such vacancy  
 Filling vacan- by appointment or election, in such manner as has been or may be pro-  
 cies. vided by the governor and legislative assembly of such Territory: *Pro-  
 Proviso.* vided, That such appointee, or person elected to fill such vacancy, shall  
 hold office only until his successor shall be regularly elected and qual-  
 ified as provided by law.

SEC. 2. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act be, and the same are hereby, repealed  
 Approved, April 16, 1880.

Repeal provisions.

CHAP. 57.—An act to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for taking the tenth and subsequent censuses", approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

April 20, 1880.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all mail matter of whatever class, relative to the census and addressed to the Census Office, to the Superintendent, his chief clerk, supervisors or enumerators, and indorsed, "Official business, Department of the Interior, Census Office", shall be transported free of postage; and if any person shall make use of any such indorsement to avoid the payment of postage on his private letter, package, or other matter in the mail, the person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and subject to a fine of three hundred dollars, to be prosecuted in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Tenth and subsequent censuses. 1879, ch. 195. 20 Stat., 473.  
 Matter relating to, free of postage through the mails. Indorsement to avoid payment of postage a misdemeanor, penalty for. 1879, ch. 195. 20 Stat., 473. Schedules one and four amended.

SEC. 2. That the seventeenth section of an act entitled "An act to provide for the taking of the tenth and subsequent censuses" be amended by striking out so much thereof as provides that schedule one contain an inquiry as to the naturalization of foreign-born persons, and that schedule four contain an inquiry relating to the ownership of the public debt of the United States, by whom owned, and the respective amounts: *Provided*, That the Superintendent of the Census shall collect and collate, as far as possible, by experts and agents and from officers of the government, information in relation to the ownership of the public debt of the United States.

*Proviso.* Ownership of public debt.

SEC. 3. That section seventeen of the act aforesaid be so amended as to allow the report which the Superintendent of the Census is required to obtain from railroad corporations, incorporated express companies, telegraph companies, and insurance companies to be made for the fiscal year of the incorporation or company having its termination nearest to the first of June, eighteen hundred and eighty.

Sec. 17, Amended. Fiscal year of corporations.

SEC. 4. That section nineteen of the aforesaid act shall be amended so as to require the enumeration to commence upon the first day of June, eighteen hundred and eighty, and further so as to require that the enumeration of population in cities having over ten thousand inhabitants shall be taken within two weeks from the first day of June, eighteen hundred and eighty.

Sec. 19, Amended. Enumeration of cities.

SEC. 5. That section five of the act aforesaid shall be amended so as to allow that in case it shall occur in any enumeration district that no person qualified to perform and willing to undertake the duties of enumerator resides in that district, the supervisor may appoint any fit person, resident in the county, to be the enumerator of that district.

Sec. 5, Amended. Enumerators, appointment of.

SEC. 6. That section nine of the act aforesaid be, and the same hereby is, so amended as to require each enumerator, immediately after completing the enumeration of the population of his district and before forwarding the same to the supervisor, to make and file in the office of the clerk of the county court or in the office of the court or board administering the affairs of the county to which his district belongs a list of the names, with age, sex, and color, of all persons enumerated by him, which he shall certify to be true, and for which he shall be paid at the rate of ten cents for each one hundred names. He shall give notice by written advertisement at three or more public places in his district that he will be at the court house of said county on the fifth day after filing said list, not including Sunday, from nine o'clock ante meridian to six o'clock post meridian and the following day for the purpose of correcting his enumeration by striking out or adding the designation of persons improperly enumerated or omitted; and on the days so designated he shall, in accordance with said notice, proceed to correct, on

Sec. 9, Amended. List of population of district to be filed with clerk of court, payment for.

Notice of filing and correction of lists.