

Deputy clerk at
El Paso.

SEC. 3. That there shall be appointed, in the manner provided by law a deputy clerk who shall keep his office at the city of El Paso.

SEC. 4. That this act shall take effect and be in force on the first day of January anno Domini eighteen hundred and eighty-five; and all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed

Approved, June 3, 1884.

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CHAP. 65.—An act to vacate an alley in square two hundred and thirty-four in the city of Washington

Vacation of al-
ley in square 234,
Washington, D. C.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, in their discretion, are hereby authorized and empowered to convey to the owners of abutting lots the ground occupied by the alley running east and west in square two hundred and thirty-four, between lots one hundred and one, one hundred and two, of sixteen, of fifteen, of fourteen, one hundred and fifteen, one hundred and sixteen, one hundred and seventeen, one hundred and eighteen, and one hundred and three, one hundred and four, one hundred and five, one hundred and six, one hundred and seven, one hundred and eight, one hundred and nine, one hundred and ten, one hundred and eleven, one hundred and twelve, one hundred and thirteen, in the city of Washington District of Columbia, and to vacate and close up said alley: *Provided*, That said owners shall appropriate for public use, as an alley, an area of ground in said square equal to that in the alley, to be conveyed as herein authorized

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Approved, June 3, 1884.

June 5, 1884.

CHAP. 71.—An act making an appropriation for the Agricultural Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and for other purposes.

Appropriations
for the Agricult-
ural Department.

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 of the United States not otherwise appropriated, in full compensation for the service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, for the objects and purposes hereinafter expressed, namely:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER.

Compensation of
Commissioner,
clerks, etc.

For compensation of Commissioner of Agriculture, four thousand five hundred dollars; chief clerk in said Department, who shall be superintendent of the Department building, two thousand five hundred dollars; chief of division of accounts and disbursing officer, one thousand eight hundred dollars; one assistant disbursing officer, who shall act as property clerk, one thousand four hundred dollars; one clerk to disbursing officer, one thousand dollars; one stenographer, one thousand eight hundred dollars; one engraver, two thousand dollars; two clerks of class four, three thousand six hundred dollars; two clerks of class three, three thousand two hundred dollars; four clerks of class two, five thousand six hundred dollars; seven clerks of class one, eight thousand four hundred dollars; eight clerks, at one thousand dollars each, eight thousand dollars; six clerks, at eight hundred and forty dollars each, five thousand and forty dollars; one librarian, one thousand four hundred dollars, one engineer, one thousand four hundred dollars; two

firemen, at seven hundred and twenty dollars each, one thousand four hundred and forty dollars; superintendent of folding-room, one thousand two hundred dollars; two assistants in folding-room, one thousand two hundred dollars; messengers, carpenters, watchmen, and laborers, ten thousand dollars; in all, sixty-five thousand four hundred and eighty dollars.

CHEMICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of chief chemist, two thousand five hundred dollars; one assistant chemist, one thousand six hundred dollars; one assistant chemist, one thousand four hundred dollars; for the employment of additional assistance, when necessary, in the chemical division, six thousand dollars; in all, eleven thousand five hundred dollars.

Chemist and assistants.

ENTOMOLOGICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of entomologist, two thousand five hundred dollars; one assistant entomologist, one thousand four hundred dollars; for assistants in entomological division, when necessary, four thousand dollars; for investigating the history and habits of insects injurious to agriculture and horticulture, experiments in ascertaining the best means of destroying them, for drawings, and for chemicals and traveling and other expenses on the practical work of the entomological division, twenty thousand dollars; in all, twenty-seven thousand nine hundred dollars: *Provided*, That the amount expended for subsistence when making investigations shall not exceed three dollars per day, exclusive of transportation.

Entomologist and assistants.

Insects injurious to agriculture, etc.

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GARDEN AND GROUNDS.

For compensation of superintendent of garden and grounds, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars; for labor, new implements, repairs of tools, wagons and carts, manure, and purchasing trees for arboretum, six thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars; for repairing and resurfacing concrete roads and walks on the grounds, three thousand dollars; for labor in experimental garden, five thousand dollars; for plant-pots, two hundred and fifty dollars; for repairing and painting greenhouse, five hundred dollars; for purchasing and propagating new seeds of economic value, six hundred dollars; for repairing heating apparatus, new pipes, and so forth, in conservatory, four hundred and fifty dollars; for the purchase of charcoal, sod, and sand for potting plants, one hundred dollars; sashes for plant-frames, four hundred and fifty dollars; in all, nineteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

Superintendent of garden; labor, etc.

MICROSCOPICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of microscopist, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

Microscopist.

BOTANICAL DIVISION.

For compensation of one botanist, one thousand eight hundred dollars; for one assistant botanist, one thousand two hundred dollars; in all, three thousand dollars.

Botanist, and assistant.

MUSEUM.

For compensation of curator of museum, one thousand four hundred dollars; one attendant in museum, one thousand dollars; one night watchman for museum building, who shall also act as night watchman of seed building, seven hundred and twenty dollars; for collecting and modeling specimens of fruits and vegetables, and collecting and preparing specimens for the museum and herbarium, one thousand dollars; in all, four thousand one hundred and twenty dollars.

Museum.

LABORATORY.

Laboratory.

For chemicals and apparatus for the use of the chemists and microscopists, and for necessary expenses in conducting experiments, including experiments in the manufacture of sugar from sorghum and other vegetable plants, fifty thousand dollars.

SEED DIVISION.

Chief of seed division, etc.

For compensation of chief of seed division, one thousand eight hundred dollars; one superintendent of seed-room, one thousand six hundred dollars; four clerks, at one thousand dollars each, four thousand

Purchase and propagation, and distribution of seeds, trees, etc.

dollars; one clerk, at eight hundred and forty dollars; for the purchase and propagation, and distribution, as required by law, of seeds, trees, shrubs, vines, cuttings, and plants, and expenses of putting up the same, to be distributed in localities adapted to their culture, one

Distribution of seeds, etc.; how made.

hundred thousand dollars. An equal proportion of two-thirds of all plants, seeds, cuttings, vines, and shrubs shall, upon their request, be supplied to Senators, Representatives, and Delegates in Congress for distribution among their constituents, or shall, by their direction, be sent to their constituents, and the persons receiving such seeds shall inform the Department of the results of the experiments therewith:

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Provided, That all seeds, plants, and cuttings herein allotted to Senators, Representatives, and Delegates in Congress for distribution remaining uncalled for at the end of the fiscal year shall be distributed by the

Commissioner to report place, quantity, and price of seeds purchased.

Commissioner of Agriculture: *And provided also*, That the Commissioner shall report, as provided in this act, the place, quantity, and price of seeds purchased, from whom purchased, and the date of purchase. But nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent the Commissioner of Agriculture from sending flower, garden, and other seeds to those who apply for the same. And the amount herein appropriated shall not be diverted or used for any other purpose but for the purchase,

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propagation, and distribution of improved and valuable seeds, plants, cuttings, and vines: *But provided, however*, That the Commissioner shall not distribute to any Senator, Representative, or Delegate seeds entirely unfit for the climate and locality he represents, but shall distribute the same so that each member may have seeds of equal value, as near as may be, and the best adapted to the locality he represents; in all, one hundred and eight thousand two hundred and forty dollars.

DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.

Statistics.

For compensation of one statistician, two thousand five hundred dollars; two clerks of class four, three thousand six hundred dollars; three clerks of class three, four thousand eight hundred dollars; four clerks of class two, five thousand six hundred dollars; five clerks of class one, six thousand dollars; seven clerks, at one thousand dollars each, seven thousand dollars; four clerks, at eight hundred and forty dollars each, three thousand three hundred and sixty dollars; two clerks, at seven hundred and twenty dollars each, one thousand four hundred and forty dollars; for collecting domestic and foreign agricultural statistics, and compiling, writing, and illustrating matter for monthly, annual, and special reports, one hundred thousand dollars. Said reports shall give full statements, monthly, showing freight-charges and cost of carriage for the chief agricultural products upon the principal lines of railroads and water-routes to the principal markets in the United States; in all, one hundred and thirty-four thousand three hundred dollars.

FURNITURE, CASES, AND REPAIRS.

Furniture, repairs of building, etc.

For repairing of building, heating apparatus, furniture, carpets, and matting, water and gas pipes, and other necessary articles, six thousand dollars.

LIBRARY.

For entomological and botanical works of reference, works on chemistry and mineralogy, charts, current agricultural works for library, miscellaneous agricultural periodicals, and the completion of imperfect series, one thousand five hundred dollars. Library.

INVESTIGATING DISEASES OF ANIMALS.

Investigating diseases of domestic animals: For continuing the investigation of infectious and contagious diseases to which all classes of domestic animals are subject, twenty-five thousand dollars. Diseases of domestic animals.

POSTAGE.

For postage on return letters, circulars, and miscellaneous articles for correspondents and foreign mail, four thousand dollars. Postage.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

For stationery, freight, express charges, fuel, lights, subsistence and care of horses, repairs of harness, paper, twine, and gum for folding-room, and for miscellaneous items, namely, for advertising, telegraphing, dry-goods, soap, brushes, brooms, mats, oils, paints, glass, lumber, hardware, ice, purchasing supplies, and for necessary items, including actual traveling expenses while on the business of the Department, fifteen thousand dollars. Contingent expenses.

FORESTRY.

For the purpose of enabling the Commissioner of Agriculture to experiment and to continue an investigation and report upon the subject of forestry, ten thousand dollars. Forestry.

TEA PLANTS.

To continue the cultivation and distribution of the tea-plant, three thousand dollars; one thousand of which shall be immediately available. Tea plants.

SILK CULTURE.

For the encouragement and development of the culture and raising of raw silk, fifteen thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture. Silk culture.

SEC 2. That no part of the sums herein or hereafter appropriated for the Department of Agriculture shall be paid to any person, as additional salary or compensation, receiving at the same time other compensation as an officer or employee of the Government; and in addition to the proper vouchers and accounts for the sums appropriated for the said Department to be furnished to the accounting officers of the Treasury, the Commissioner of Agriculture shall, at the commencement of each regular session, present to Congress a detailed statement of the expenditures of all appropriations for said Department for the last preceding fiscal year. Officers and employees prohibited from receiving salary or compensation other than herein provided.

Detailed statement of expenditures to be reported to Congress.

Approved, June 5, 1884.

CHAP. 72.—An act to declare the Cantilever Bridge constructed by the Niagara River Bridge Company across the Niagara River a Post Route. June 7, 1884.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Cantilever Bridge and its appurtenances which has been constructed across the Niagara River from a point on the right bank of the Niagara River between the Falls of the Niagara and the mountain ridge above Lewiston, to a point Cantilever bridge over Niagara River declared a lawful structure and post-route.