of law arising upon the record, and to such rulings of the circuit court, excepted to at the time, as may be presented by a bill of exceptions, prepared as in actions at law.

Jury in patent cases heard in equity by circuit court.

SEC. 2. That said courts, when sitting in equity for the trial of patent causes, may impanel a jury of not less than five and not more than twelve persons, subject to such general rules in the premises as may, from time to time, be made by the Supreme Court, and submit to them such questions of fact arising in such cause as such circuit court shall deem expedient; and the verdict of such jury shall be treated and proceeded upon in the same manner and with the same effect as in the case of issues sent from chancery to a court of law and returned with such findings.

Value of matter in dispute, necessary for review in Supreme Court.

SEC. 3. That whenever, by the laws now in force, it is required that the matter in dispute shall exceed the sum or value of two thousand dollars, exclusive of costs, in order that the judgments and decrees of the circuit courts of the United States may be re-examined in the Supreme Court, such judgments and decrees hereafter rendered shall not be re-examined in the Supreme Court unless the matter in dispute shall exceed the sum or value of five thousand dollars, exclusive of costs.

When act to take effect.

SEC. 4. That this act shall take effect on the first day of May, eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

Approved, February 16, 1875.

Feb. 17, 1875.

CHAP. 78.—An act to make an appropriation to the contingent fund of the House of Representatives.

Appropriation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twenty thousand dollars; the same to be added to the contingent fund of the House of Representatives.

Contingent fund of House of Representatives.

Approved, February 17, 1875.

Feb. 18, 1875.

CHAP. 80.—An act to correct errors and to supply omissions in the Revised Statutes of the United States.

Amendment of Revised Statutes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of correcting errors and supplying omissions in the act entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes of the United States in force on the first day of December, anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three," so as to make the same truly express such laws, the following amendments are hereby made therein:

R. S., 65, p. 13.

Section sixty-five is amended by striking out the whole section and inserting the following: "The Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives shall annually advertise, once a week for at least four weeks, in one or more of the principal papers published in the District of Columbia, for sealed proposals for supplying the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively, during the next session of Congress with the necessary stationery."

R. S., 67, p. 13.

Section sixty-seven is amended by striking out the whole section and inserting the following: "All such proposals shall be kept sealed until the day specified in such advertisement for opening the same, when the same shall be opened in the presence of at least two persons, and the contract shall be given to the lowest bidder, provided he shall give satisfactory security to perform the same, under a forfeiture not exceeding double the contract price in case of failure; and in case the lowest bidder shall fail to enter into such contract and give such security, within a time to be fixed in such advertisement, then the contract shall be given to the next lowest bidder, who shall enter into such contract,

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R. S., 4037, p. 783. Section four thousand and thirty-seven is amended by inserting, in the second line, before the word "paid", the word "be".

R. S., 4250, p. 825. Section four thousand two hundred and fifty is amended by striking out, in line seven, "nineteenth", and inserting "ninth".

R. S., 4289, p. 833. Section four thousand two hundred and eighty-nine is amended by striking out, in the first line, the words "this title", and inserting the words "the seven preceding sections".

R. S., 4347, p. 844. Section four thousand three hundred and forty-seven is amended by striking out, at the end of the thirty-third line, the word "no", and inserting the word "on".

R. S., 4360, p. 848. Section four thousand three hundred and sixty is amended by inserting, in the third line, after the word "manifest", the word "and".

R. S., 4601, p. 898. Section four thousand six hundred and one is amended by striking out, in the fifth line, the word "persecuting," and inserting the word "prosecuting".

R. S., 5029, p. 978. Section five thousand and twenty-nine is amended by striking out, in the third line, the word "hereinbefore", and inserting the word "hereinafter".

R. S., 5054, 982. Section five thousand and fifty-four is amended by adding the following words: "And the record of such assignment, or a duly-certified copy thereof, shall be evidence thereof in all courts".

R. S., 5124, par. 6, p. 995. Section five thousand one hundred and twenty-four is amended by striking out, in the second line of the sixth paragraph, the word "act", and inserting the word "title".

R. S., 5129, p. 996. Section five thousand one hundred and twenty-nine is amended by striking out, in the ninth line, the word "act", and inserting the word "title".

R. S., 5183, p. 1008. Section five thousand one hundred and eighty-three is amended by inserting, after the word "issue", in the second line, the words "post notes or."

R. S., 5198, p. 1012. Section five thousand one hundred and ninety-eight is amended by adding thereto the following: "That suits, actions, and proceedings against any association under this title may be had in any circuit, district, or territorial court of the United States held within the district in which such association may be established, or in any State, county, or municipal court in the county or city in which said association is located having jurisdiction in similar cases".

R. S., 5224, p. 1016. Section five thousand two hundred and twenty-four is amended by adding thereto the following: "And if any such bank shall fail to make the deposit and take up its bonds for thirty days after the expiration of the time specified, the Comptroller of the Currency shall have power to sell the bonds pledged for the circulation of said bank, at public auction in New York City, and, after providing for the redemption and cancellation of said circulation and the necessary expenses of the sale, to pay over any balance remaining to the bank or its legal representative".

R. S., 5228, p. 1017. Section five thousand two hundred and twenty-eight is amended by striking out, in the third line, the words "of forfeiture of the bonds", and inserting the word "thereof".

R. S., 5287, p. 1030. Section five thousand two hundred and eighty-seven is amended by inserting, as the first sentence thereof, the following words: "The district courts shall take cognizance of all complaints, by whomsoever instituted, in cases of captures made within the waters of the United States, or within a marine league of the coasts or shores thereof."

R. S., 5413, p. 1054. Section five thousand four hundred and thirteen is amended by inserting, in the third line, after the word "national", the word "bank".

R. S., 5452, p. 1062. Section five thousand four hundred and fifty-two, after the word "principal", in the second line, place a comma.

R. S., 5504, p. 1072. Section five thousand five hundred and four is amended by striking out, in the fourth line, the word "and", and also, by striking out, in the same line, the word "of", where it first occurs.

R. S., 5515, p. 1075. Section five thousand five hundred and fifteen is amended by striking out, in the last line, the word "ten", and inserting the word "eleven"

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of State is directed, if practicable, to cause this act to be printed and bound in the volume of the Revised Statutes of the United States. Act to be bound with Revised Statutes.

Approved, February 18, 1875.

CHAP. 81.—An act making appropriations for the consular and diplomatic service of the Government for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, and for other purposes. Feb. 18, 1875.

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 for the service of the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, namely: Consular and diplomatic appropriations for year ending June 30, 1876.

For salaries of envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Great Britain, France, Germany, and Russia, at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars each, seventy thousand dollars. Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary.

For salaries of envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Spain, Austria, Brazil, Mexico, Japan, China, and Italy, at twelve thousand dollars each, eighty-four thousand dollars.

For salaries of envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Chili and Peru, at ten thousand dollars each, twenty thousand dollars.

For ministers resident at Portugal, Switzerland, Greece, Belgium, Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden and Norway, Turkey, Ecuador, Colombia, Bolivia, Venezuela, Hawaiian Islands, and the Argentine Republic, at seven thousand five hundred dollars each, one hundred and five thousand dollars. Ministers resident.

For minister resident accredited to Guatemala, Costa Rica, Honduras, Salvador, and Nicaragua, to reside at the place that the President may select in any one of the states named, as by the act making appropriations for the consular and diplomatic service approved May twenty-second, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, ten thousand dollars. One minister resident for Guatemala, Costa Rica, &c. Residence. R. S., 1682, p. 294.

For minister resident at Uruguay, also accredited to Paraguay, ten thousand dollars. Uraguay and Paraguay.

For minister resident and consul general to Hayti, seven thousand five hundred dollars. Hayti.

For minister resident and consul general to Liberia, four thousand dollars. Liberia.

For chargés d'affaires ad interim and diplomatic officers abroad, forty thousand dollars. Chargés d'affairs, &c.

For salaries of the secretaries to the legations at London, Paris, Berlin, and Saint Petersburg, at two thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars each, ten thousand five hundred dollars. Secretaries of legation.

For salary of the secretary to the legation at Japan, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For the secretaries to the legations at Austria, Brazil, Italy, Mexico, and Spain, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each, nine thousand dollars.

For the second secretaries to the legations at Great Britain, France, and Germany, at two thousand dollars each, six thousand dollars.

For the secretary to the legation (acting also as interpreter) at China, five thousand dollars.

For salary of the interpreter to the legation in Turkey, three thousand dollars. Interpreters to legations.

For the interpreter to the legation at Japan, two thousand five hundred dollars.

To enable Robert C. Schenck, minister to Great Britain, to employ a private amanuensis, according to the joint resolution approved January eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, two thousand five hundred dollars. Private amanuensis to Robert C. Schenck. 1871, Res. No. 6, vol. xvi, p. 590.