Additional clerks.

SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That the Attorney-General shall have power to increase the clerical force of his office to discharge the increased duties of the same, occasioned by this act, by appointing additional clerks, not exceeding two, and may fix their compensation at an annual salary not exceeding fourteen hundred dollars each per annum. APPROVED, August 2, 1861.

August 8, 1861.

CHAP. XXXVIII. - An Act to provide for the Construction of one or more armored Ships and Floating Batteries, and for other Purposes.

Iron or steelclad steamers may be built.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to appoint a board of three skilful naval officers to investigate the plans and specifications that may be submitted for the construction or completing of iron or steel-clad steamships or steam-batteries, and on their report, should it be favorable, the Secretary of the Navy will cause one or more armored or iron or steel-clad steamships or floating steam-batteries to be built; and there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars.

Appropriation.

Engineer-inchief to be from the chief engineers

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That in case of a vacancy in the office of engineer-in-chief of the navy the appointment thereto shall be made from the list of chief engineers.

APPROVED, August 8, 1861.

1861, ch. 44. Post, p. 291. ing intoxicating liquors in the Dis-

August 8, 1861. CHAP. XXXIX. - An Act to amend "An Act to prohibit the sale of Spirituous Liquors and Intoxicating Drinks in the District of Columbia, in certain Cases."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United Penalty forsell- States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any person shall be convicted of the offence described in the act entitled "An Act to protrict of Columbia. hibit the sale of spirituous liquors and intoxicating drinks, in the District of Columbia, in certain cases," he shall he punished by a fine of twenty dollars or imprisonment in the jail of Washington county, in the District of Columbia, for the period of thirty days.

APPROVED, August 3, 1861.

Post, p. 542.

August 3, 1861. CHAP. XI. - An Act to provide for the Purchase of Arms, Ordnance, and Ordnance

of arms, ordnance, and ordnance stores.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of ten millions of Purchase, &c., dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purchase and manufacture of arms, ordnance, and ordnance stores.

APPROVED, August 3, 1861.

August 3, 1861.

1845, ch. 78. **Vol. v. p. 795.**

Appropriation for collection of the revenue may be applied to charter or purchase of vessels for revenue service.

Proviso.

CHAP. XIII. - An Act to suspend in part the Operation of an Act entitled "An Act relating to Revenue Cutters and Steamers."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act of third March, eighteen hundred and forty-five, entitled "An Act relating to revenue cutters and steamers," be and the same is so far suspended as to allow the Secretary of the Treasury to apply so much of the appropriation for the collection of the revenue as he may deem expedient to the charter or purchase of vessels for the revenue service: Provided, That no liability shall be incurred for the purposes herein named, which, together with the expenses of collecting the revenue, shall exceed the appropriation already made for the latter object.

APPROVED, August 8, 1861.