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**AN ACT**

Making appropriations for the consular and diplomatic expenses of  
the government for the year ending the thirtieth of June,  
eighteen hundred and sixty.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3       That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appro-  
4       priated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appro-  
5       priated, for the objects hereafter expressed, for the fiscal year  
6       ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty,  
7       namely :

8       For salaries of envoys extraordinary, ministers, and com-  
9       missioners of the United States at Great Britain, France,  
10      Russia, Prussia, Spain, Austria, Brazil, Mexico, China,  
11      Chili, Peru, Portugal, Switzerland, Rome, Naples, Sardinia,  
12      Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Turkey, Buenos Ayres,

13 New Granada, Bolivia, Ecuador, Venezuela, Guatemala, Nica-  
 14 ragua, Sandwich Islands, Costa Rica, Honduras, Argentine Con-  
 15 federation, and Paraguay, two hundred and (1) [fourteen] *four*  
 16 thousand dollars: (2) *Provided, That no other ambassador,*  
 17 *envoy extraordinary, minister plenipotentiary, minister resident,*  
 18 *commissioner, diplomatic representative, or charge d'affaires,*  
 19 *shall be entitled to any compensation during the said fiscal*  
 20 *year: And provided, That nothing in this act shall be con-*  
 21 *strued to interfere with the disbursement of the amount herein-*  
 22 *after appropriated for the contingent expenses of foreign in-*  
 23 *tercourse.*

24 For salaries of assistant secretaries of legation at London  
 25 and Paris, three thousand dollars.

26 For salary of the secretary of legation to China, acting  
 27 as interpreter, five thousand dollars.

28 For salary of the secretary of legation to Turkey, acting  
 29 as dragoman, three thousand dollars.

30 For contingent expenses of all the missions abroad, fifty  
 31 thousand dollars.

32 For contingent expenses of foreign intercourse, sixty  
 33 thousand dollars.

34 For expenses of intercourse with the Barbary powers,  
 35 two thousand dollars.

36 For the relief and protection of American seamen in  
 37 foreign countries, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

38        For expenses which may be incurred in acknowledging  
 39 the services of the masters and crews of foreign vessels in  
 40 rescuing citizens of the United States from shipwreck, ten  
 41 thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the  
 42 President of the United States.

43        For the purchase of blank books, stationery, arms of the  
 44 United States, seals, presses, flags, and for the payment of  
 45 postages and miscellaneous expenses of the consuls of the  
 46 United States, forty thousand dollars.

47        For office rent for those consuls general, consuls, and  
 48 commercial agents, who are not allowed to trade, including loss  
 49 by exchange thereon, viz : for office rent, twenty-two thousand  
 50 three hundred and seventy dollars.

51        For salary of minister resident at Japan, from the nine-  
 52 teenth day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, to  
 53 the thirtieth of June next, three thousand three hundred and  
 54 seventy-five dollars.

55        For salary of minister resident at Japan, seven thousand  
 56 five hundred dollars.

57        For salaries of consuls general at Quebec, Calcutta, Alex-  
 58 andria (3) [Simoda,] Havana, Constantinople, Frankfort-on-the-  
 59 Main ; consuls at Liverpool, London, Melbourne, Hong  
 60 Kong, Glasgow, Mauritius, Singapore, Belfast, Cork, Duudee,  
 61 Demarara, Halifax, Kingston, (Jamaica,) Leeds, Manchester,  
 62 Nassau, (New Providence,) Southampton, Turk's Island,

63 Prince Edward's Island, Havre, Paris, Marseilles, Bordeaux, La  
 64 Rochelle, Lyons, Moscow, Odessa, Revel, Saint Petersburg,  
 65 Matanzas, Trinidad de Cuba, Santiago de Cuba, San Juan,  
 66 (Porto Rico,) Cadiz, Malaga, Ponce, (Porto Rico,) Trieste,  
 67 Vienna, Aix-la-Chapelle, Canton, Shanghai, Fouchou, Amoy,  
 68 Ningpo, Beirrut, Smyrna, Jerusalem, Rotterdam, Amsterdam,  
 69 Antwerp, Funchal, Oporto, Saint Thomas, Elsinour, Genoa,  
 70 Basle, Geneva, Messina, Naples, Palermo, Leipsic, Munich,  
 71 Leghorn, Stuttgart, Bremen, Hamburg, Tangiers, Tripoli,  
 72 Tunis, Rio de Janeiro, Pernambuco, Vera Cruz, Acapulco,  
 73 Callao, Valparaiso, Buenos Ayres, San Juan del Sur, Aspinwall,  
 74 Panama, Lagayra, Honolulu, Lahaina, Capetown, Falkland  
 75 Islands, Venice, Stettin, Candia, Cyprus, Batavia, Fayal, San-  
 76 tiago, (Cape de Verdes,) Saint Croix, Spezzia, Athens, Zanzi-  
 77 bar, Bahia, Maranh Island, Para, Rio Grande, Matamoras,  
 78 Mexico, (city,) Tampico, Paso del Norte, Tabasco, Paita,  
 79 Tumbez, Talcahuano, Carthagena, Sabanillo, Omoa, Guayaquil,  
 80 Cobija, Montevideo, Tahiti, Bay of Islands, Apia, Lonthala;  
 81 commercial agents at San Juan del Norte, Port au Prince, San  
 82 Domingo, (city,) St. Paul de Loanda, (Angola,) Monrovia,  
 83 Gaboon, Cape Haytien, Aux Cayes, and Amoor river, two  
 84 hundred and (4) [forty] *thirty-five* thousand dollars.

85 For interpreters to the consulates in China, four thousand  
 86 five hundred dollars.

87 For compensation of the commissioner, secretary, chief

88 astronomer and surveyor, assistant astronomer and surveyor,  
 89 clerk, and for provisions, transportation, and contingencies of  
 90 the commission to run and mark the boundary line between  
 91 the United States and the British possessions bounding on  
 92 Washington Territory, (5) [seventy-one] *one hundred and*  
 93 *fifty* thousand dollars.

94 For compensation and per diem of the commissioner,  
 95 compensation of the surveyor, and for the payment of all  
 96 expenses of the commission under the reciprocity treaty with  
 97 Great Britain, twenty-three thousand dollars.

98 To enable the President of the United States to carry  
 99 into effect the act of Congress of third March, eighteen hun-  
 100 dred and nineteen, and any subsequent acts now in force for  
 101 the suppression of the slave trade, seventy-five thousand dol-  
 102 lars: *Provided*, That so much of said appropriation as may  
 103 be required to pay expenses already incurred may be used  
 104 from and after the passage of this act.

1 (6) SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That the salary pro-*  
 2 *vided by the third section of "An act to regulate the diplomatic*  
 3 *and consular systems of the United States," approved August*  
 4 *eighteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, as compensation for*  
 5 *the consul general of British North America, as by schedule*  
 6 *B, shall be in full of all compensation allowed to that officer;*  
 7 *and all fees received by any vice consul or commercial agent*  
 8 *in British North America, exceeding the amount allowed by the*

9 *President as compensation for his services, and all fees re-*  
10 *ceived by said consul general, shall be accounted for by such*  
11 *officers, respectively, to the treasury of the United States.*

1 (7) SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted, That the fee for*  
2 *certifying invoices, and for certifying the place of growth or*  
3 *production of goods made duty free by the reciprocity treaty,*  
4 *to be charged by the consul general for the British North*  
5 *American provinces and subordinate consular officers or agents*  
6 *in said provinces, shall be fifty cents for each certificate, and*  
7 *no more. And no such certificate of the growth or production*  
8 *shall be required for goods not exceeding in value the sum of*  
9 *two hundred dollars.*

1 (8) SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted, That no more money*  
2 *for the fiscal year commencing July first, eighteen hundred and*  
3 *fifty-nine, shall be expended for the objects herein provided*  
4 *for than the amount appropriated in this bill, together with*  
5 *such amounts of the permanent and indefinite appropriations*  
6 *as may be applicable thereto.*