CHAPTER 238.
[H. B. 182.]

APPROPRIATION FOR THE RELIEF OF INDIAN WAR VETERANS.

AN ACT for the relief of Indian war veterans of the wars of 1855 and 1856.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. That there be and hereby is appropriated out of the general funds in the treasury of the State of Washington the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000.00), or so much thereof as shall be necessary, to pay the veterans of the Indians wars of 1855 and 1856, who served under and by virtue of the directions of the officers of Washington territory, for their said service, under the conditions and upon the terms hereinafter provided.

SEC. 2. That each non-commissioned officer and private who served the Territory of Washington in the Indian wars of 1855 and 1856 shall be entitled for such service the sum of $2.00 per day for himself, and all commissioned officers shall receive such sum as was paid to officers of the same rank of the army of the United States at said time: Provided, That any amount paid on account thereof by the United States shall be deducted therefrom.

SEC. 3. The claim for such services, verified by the claimant, shall be presented to the Adjutant General, who shall, without additional cost to the state, examine and pass upon the same, and may require additional and corroborative evidence in support thereof; and he shall prepare, certify and file with the State Auditor proper vouchers showing the amount payable to the claimant under the provisions of this act. Thereupon the State Auditor shall issue his warrant for the amount found due to the claimant: Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize the payment of any claim to any heir or beneficiary of the claimant for services during the Indian wars.

SEC. 4. This act, so far as the same relates to the pay of volunteers, shall be construed so as to apply to all who
have been in the service of the Territory of Washington, now State of Washington, during said Indian wars of 1855 and 1856, and it shall extend to the services of the regiment of the Washington militia while the same was in actual service during said war.

SEC. 5. Whereas, The Territory of Washington, by the Governor thereof, acting under and by virtue of an act of the territorial legislature, called into service the said veterans, and

Whereas, The said men so called into service, and who did serve the territory were promised compensation for their said services, as above set forth, but have never been paid by the said territory nor the State of Washington, for said services, it is but meet that tardy justice should be done.

SEC. 5. [6.] An emergency exists and this act shall take effect immediately.

Passed by the House March 9, 1909.
Passed by the Senate March 11, 1909.

NOTE BY SECRETARY OF STATE.—This bill filed and allowed to become a law without the signature of the Governor.

SAM H. NICHOLS, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 239.
[S. B. 302.]

APPROPRIATION FOR FISH HATCHERIES ON COLUMBIA RIVER.

An Act relating to the establishment of fish hatcheries on the Columbia river or its tributaries.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. The state fish commissioner is hereby authorized and empowered to establish and maintain a central fish hatchery and nursery system for salmon fry on the Kalama river in connection with the present hatcheries now located thereon, and for such purpose may co-operate with the master fish warden of the State of Oregon and the United States bureau of fisheries in securing salmon spawn, hatching the same and caring for the fry.