ACTS OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS
OF THE
UNITED STATES,
Passed at the first session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the district of Columbia, on Monday, the 31st day of May, 1841, and ended the 11th day of September, 1841.

JOHN TYLER, President of the United States. SAMUEL L. SOUTHARD, President of the Senate, pro tempore. JOHN WHITE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. I.—An Act making appropriations for the present session of Congress.

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, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, viz:

For the pay and mileage of the Senate for the present session, sixty-eight thousand five hundred and forty-one dollars and sixty cents;

For the pay of the Chaplain of the Senate, five hundred dollars;

For printing, stationery, and all other contingent expenses of the Senate for the present session, twenty thousand dollars;

For the pay and mileage of the members of the House of Representatives, including five hundred dollars to the Chaplain, for the present session of Congress, two hundred and fifty-six thousand six hundred dollars;

For the printing, stationery, and all other contingent expenses of the House of Representatives for the present session, thirty thousand eight hundred and thirty-six dollars.

For the supply of stationery for the House of Representatives for the second session of the twenty-seventh Congress, fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary: Provided, always, That no part of the sums appropriated for the contingent expenses of either House of Congress, shall be applied to any other than the ordinary expenditures of the Senate and House of Representatives, nor as extra allowance to any clerk, messenger, or other attendant of the said two Houses, or either of them.

Approved, June 25, 1841.

CHAP. II.—An Act for the relief of Mrs. Harrison, widow of the late President of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Mrs. Harrison, widow of William Henry Harrison, late President of the United States, or, in the event of her death before payment, then to the legal representatives of the said William Henry Harrison, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars: Provided always, That any sum of money which shall have been paid to the personal representatives
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of the said William Henry Harrison since his death, on account of his salary as President of the United States, shall be deducted from the said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

APPROVED, June 30, 1841.

STATUTE I.

July 21, 1841.

1842, ch. 26. President authorized to borrow $12,000,000 at 6 per cent.

When reimbursable.

The money borrowed, how to be applied.

Stock, how transferable.

Certificates of stock to be prepared and sold.

Proviso.

1842, ch. 287.

Sec. Treas. to receive proposals for the loan, or, &c.

Expenses incident to this act limited.

Sec. Treasury authorized to purchase stock prior to time of redemption.

Appropriation therefor.

Faith of U. S. pledged for punctual payment of interest, &c.

STATUTE II.

Aug. 1, 1841.

[Obsolete.]

Appropriation.

CHAP. III.—An act authorizing a loan not exceeding the sum of twelve millions of dollars.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized, at any time within one year from the passage of this act, to borrow, on the credit of the United States, a sum not exceeding twelve millions of dollars, and so much thereof as in his opinion the exigencies of the Government may require, at a rate of interest, payable quarterly or semi-annually, not exceeding six per centum per annum, which loan shall be made reimbursable either at the will of the Secretary of the Treasury, after six months' notice, or at any time after three years from the first day of January next; and said money so borrowed shall be applied, in addition to the money in the Treasury, or which may be received therein from other sources, to the payment and redemption of the Treasury notes heretofore authorized, which are or may be outstanding and unpaid, and to defray any of the public expenses which have been heretofore or which may be authorized by law, which stock shall be transferable only on the books of the Treasury.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized, with the consent of the President, to cause to be prepared certificates of stock, signed by the Secretary and countersigned by the Register of the Treasury, for the sum to be borrowed, or any part thereof, bearing an interest not exceeding six per centum per annum, and transferable and reimbursable as aforesaid, and to cause the said certificates of stock to be sold: Provided, That no stock be sold below par.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to receive proposals for taking the said loan, or to employ an agent or agents for the purpose of negotiating the same, and to pay to him or them a reasonable commission, not exceeding one-tenth of one per cent. on the amount so negotiated, which sum to be allowed to such agent or agents, and such expense as may be necessarily incurred in printing and issuing certificates of stock, and other expenses incident to the due execution of this act, in all not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated for that purpose, and shall be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to purchase, at any time before the period herein limited for the redemption of stock hereby authorized, such portion thereof as the funds of the Government may admit of, after meeting all the demands on the Treasury, and any surplus in the Treasury is hereby appropriated to that object.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the faith of the United States be, and is hereby, pledged for the punctual payment of the interest and redemption of said stock.

APPROVED, July 21, 1841.

CHAP. IV.—An act making appropriation for the pay, subsistence, &c., of a home squadron.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the pay and
substance, increase and repairs, medicines and contingent expenses, of two frigates, two sloops, two small vessels, and two armed steamers, to be employed as a home squadron, the sum of seven hundred and eighty-nine thousand three hundred and ten dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, August 1, 1841.

CHAP. V.—An Act making further provision for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the act entitled "An act making temporary provision for lunatics in the District of Columbia," approved February second, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, as limits the appropriation to three thousand dollars, be, and the same is hereby, repealed, and the further sum of three thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to make immediate provision for the maintenance of pauper lunatics as provided for in the said act.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the marshal of the District of Columbia shall not be restricted to the asylum at Baltimore, but may provide for pauper lunatics at any public lunatic asylum in the United States, consulting economy in the selection.

Approved, August 3, 1841.

CHAP. VII.—An Act to repeal the act entitled "An act to provide for the collection, safe-keeping, transfer, and disbursement of the public revenue," and to provide for the punishment of embezzlers of public money, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to provide for the collection, safe-keeping, transfer, and disbursement of the public revenue," approved on the fourth day of July A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty, be, and the same is hereby, repealed: Provided, always, That, for any offences which may have been committed against the provisions of the seventeenth section of the said act, the offenders may be prosecuted and punished according to those provisions; and that all bonds executed under the provisions of said act, and all civil rights and liabilities which have arisen or accrued under said act, and the remedies therefor, shall remain and continue as if said act had not been repealed; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That if any officer charged with the safe-keeping, transfer, or disbursement of public moneys, or connected with the Post Office Department, shall convert to his own use, in any way whatever, or shall use by way of investment in any kind of property or merchandise, or shall loan, with or without interest, any portion of the public moneys entrusted to him for safe-keeping, transfer, disbursement, or for any other purpose, every such act shall be deemed and adjudged to be an embezzlement of so much of the said moneys as shall be thus taken, converted, invested, used, or loaned, which is hereby declared to be a felony; and the neglect or refusal to pay over on demand any public moneys in his hands, upon the presentation of a draft, order, or warrant drawn upon him, and signed by the Secretary of the Treasury, or to transfer or disburse any such moneys promptly according to law, on the legal requirement of a superior officer, shall be prima facie evidence of such conversion to his own use of so much of the public moneys as may be in his hands. Any officer or agent of the

Statute I.

Aug. 3, 1841.

Act of Feb. 2, 1841, ch. 4.

So much of former act as limits the appropriation repealed, and a further appropriation made.

Marshal, not restricted to the asylum at Baltimore.

Statute I.

Aug. 13, 1841.

Act of 4th July 1840, ch. 41. repealed.

Proviso.

Bonds,&c. not affected by the repeal.

Felony, for officers charged with safe-keeping, transfer, or disbursement of public moneys, &c. to use public moneys.

Neglect or refusal to pay over, transfer, or disburse such moneys, prima facie evidence of such use.
United States, and all persons advising, or knowingly and willingly participating in such embezzlement, upon being convicted thereof before any court of the United States of competent jurisdiction, shall, for every such offence, forfeit and pay to the United States a fine equal to the amount of the money embezzled, and shall suffer imprisonment for a term not less than six months nor more than five years.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the act entitled "An act to regulate the deposits of the public money," approved on the twenty-third day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, excepting the thirteenth and fourteenth sections thereof, be and the same hereby is repealed.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That so much of an act, passed the fourteenth of April, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An act making appropriations for the payment of the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States, for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six," as provides that no bank note of less denomination than ten dollars, and after the third day of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, no bank note of less denomination than twenty dollars, shall be offered in payment in any case whatsoever, in which money is to be paid by the United States, or the Post Office Department, be, and the same hereby is, repealed.

Approved, August 13, 1841.

CHAP. VIII.—An Act to provide for the payment of Navy Pensions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of one hundred and thirty-nine thousand six hundred and sixty-six dollars and six cents is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of pensions and half-pay chargeable on the navy pension fund: Provided, That all widows or children of all naval officers, seamen, or marines, now deceased, and entitled to receive or make proof of their pensions under the act of the third of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, shall receive the same until the close of the next session of Congress; but no widows or children of any naval officer, seaman, or marine, who may hereafter die, shall be entitled to any pension by virtue only of any provision in the said act.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That no officer, seaman, or marine, entitled to a pension from the navy pension fund, who receives pay from the public treasury, shall receive more from the said fund than is sufficient to make the whole amount received from both the above-named sources equal to the pay fixed by law for the grade to which the officer, seaman, or marine may belong as an officer in the services in which he may be engaged, during the year, so that no officer shall receive pay at the same time both as a pensioner and an officer in service.

Approved, August 16, 1841.

CHAP. IX.—An Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and hereby is, established throughout the United States, a uniform system of bank-

(a) See notes of the decisions of the courts of the United States on the bankrupt act of April 4, 1800, vol. 2, 19.

In the case of Nelson, a petitioner in bankruptcy, in the Kentucky district, and Carroll, an opposing creditor, several points were adjourned by the district to the circuit court. Upon the hearing of the case in the circuit court, the district judge, as well as the justice of the Supreme Court, sat in the case; and,
ruptcy, as follows: All persons whatsoever, residing in any State, District or Territory of the United States, owing debts, which shall not have been created in consequence of a defalcation as a public officer; or as executor, administrator, guardian or trustee, or while acting in any other fiduciary capacity, who shall, by petition, setting forth to the rest of his knowledge and belief, a list of his or their creditors, their respective places of residence, and the amount due to each, together with an accurate inventory of his or their property, rights, and credits, of every name, kind, and description, and the location and situation of each and every parcel and portion thereof, verified by oath, or, if conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath, by solemn affirmation, apply to the proper court, as hereinafter mentioned, for the benefit of this act, and therein declare themselves to be unable to meet their debts and engagements, shall be deemed bankrupts within the purview of this act, and may be so declared accordingly by a decree of such court; all persons, being merchants, or using the trade of merchandise, all retailers of merchandise, and all bankers, factors, brokers, underwriters, or marine insurers, owing debts to the amount of not less than two thousand

being opposed in opinion upon questions adjourned from the district court, they were certified to the Supreme Court on the motion of the counsel of the petitioner. Held, that the district judge cannot sit as a member of the circuit court, under the "Act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States. Consequently, the points adjourned could not be brought before the Supreme Court on appeal from the district court. Nelson v. Carroll, 17 Peters' Rep., 184; S. C., 1 Howard, 265.

An appeal or writ of error will not lie from the decision of the circuit court, in a case of bankruptcy, adjourned from the district court. The decision of the circuit court is conclusive on the district judge. Ibid.

Under the late bankrupt act of the United States, the existence of a fiduciary debt, contracted before the passage of the act, constitutes no objection to the discharge of the debtor from other debts. Chapman v. Forsyth, 2 Howard, 202.

A factor, who receives the money of his principal, is not a fiduciary, within the meaning of the act. Ibid.

A bankrupt is bound to state, upon his schedule, the nature of a debt if it be a fiduciary one. Should he omit to do so, he would be guilty of a fraud, and his discharge will not avail him; but if a creditor, in such case, proves his debt and receives a dividend from the estate, he is estopped from afterwards saying that his debt was not within the law. Ibid.

But if the fiduciary creditor does not prove his debt, he may recover it afterwards from the discharged bankrupt, by showing that it was within the exceptions of the act. Ibid.

In Kentucky, the creditor obtains a lien upon the property of his debtor by the delivery of a f. fo. to the sheriff; and this lien is as absolute before the levy as it is afterwards. Savage's Assignee v. Beat, 3 Howard, 111.

Therefore, a creditor is not deprived of this lien by an act of bankruptcy on the part of the debtor omitted before the levy is made, but after the execution is in the hands of the sheriff. Ibid.

This court has no revising power over the decrees of the district court sitting in bankruptcy; nor is it authorized to set aside any of its judgments in that court. Ex parte Green, 2 Pet. 367.

The district court, when sitting in bankruptcy, has jurisdiction over liens and mortgages existing upon the property of a bankrupt, so as to inquire into their validity and extent, and grant the same relief which the state courts might or ought to grant. Ibid.

The control of the district court over proceedings in the state courts upon such liens, is exercised, not over the state courts themselves, but upon the parties, through an injunction or other appropriate proceeding in equity. Ibid.

The design of the bankrupt act was to secure a prompt and effectual administration of the estate of all bankrupts, worked out by the courts of the United States, without the assistance of state tribunals. Ibid.

The phrase in the 6th section, "any creditor or creditors who shall claim any debt or demand under the bankruptcy," does not mean only such creditors who come in and prove their debts, but all creditors who have a present subsisting claim upon the bankrupt's estate, whether they have a security or mortgage therefor, or not. Ibid.

Such creditors have a right to ask that the property mortgaged shall be sold, and the proceeds applied towards the payment of their debts; and the assignee, on the other hand, may contest their claims. Ibid.

In the case of a contested claim, the district court has jurisdiction, if resort be had to a formal bill in equity or other plenary proceeding; and also jurisdiction to proceed summarily. Ibid.

The principles established in the case of Ex parte the City Bank of New Orleans in the matter of Christy, assignee of Walden, reviewed and confirmed. Ibid.

But this court does not decide whether or not the jurisdiction of the district court over all the property of a bankrupt, mortgaged or otherwise, is exclusive, so as to take it away from the state courts in such cases. Norton's Assignee v. Boyd, 3 Howard, 436.

When the defendant below became a bankrupt, the Supreme Court will not award a supersedeas to stay an execution, because the assignee of the bankrupt has his remedy in the circuit court. Black v. Zacharie, 3 Howard, 483.

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dollars, shall be liable to become bankrupts within the true intent and
meaning of this act, and may, upon the petition of one or more of their
creditors, to whom they owe debts amounting in the whole to not less
than five hundred dollars, to the appropriate court, be so declared ac-
cordingly, in the following cases, to wit: whenever such person, being
a merchant, or actually using the trade of merchandise, or being a re-
tailer of merchandise, or being a banker, factor, broker, underwriter,
or marine insurer, shall depart from the State, District, or Territory, of
which he is an inhabitant, with intent to defraud his creditors; or shall
conceal himself to avoid being arrested; or shall willingly or fraudu-
ently procure himself to be arrested, or his goods and chattels, lands,
or tenements, to be attached, distrained, sequestered, or taken in exec-
ution; or shall remove his goods, chattels, and effects, or conceal them
to prevent their being levied upon, or taken in execution, or by other
process; or make any fraudulent conveyance, assignment, sale, gift, or
other transfer of his lands, tenements, goods or chattels, credits, or evi-
dence of debt: Provided, however, That any person so declared a bank-
rupt, at the instance of a creditor, may, at his election, by petition to
such court within ten days after its decree, be entitled to a trial by jury
before such court, to ascertain the fact of such bankruptcy; or if such
person shall reside at a great distance from the place of holding such
court, the said judge, in his discretion, may direct such trial by jury to
be had in the county of such person's residence, in such manner, and
under such directions, as the said court may prescribe and give; and
all such decrees passed by such court, and not so re-examined, shall be
deemed final and conclusive as to the subject-matter thereof.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That all future payments, se-
curities, conveyances, or transfers of property, or agreements made or
given by any bankrupt, in contemplation of bankruptcy, and for the
purpose of giving any creditor, endorser, surety, or other person, any
preference or priority over the general creditors of such bankrupts; and
all other payments, securities, conveyances, or transfers of property, or
agreements made or given by such bankrupt in contemplation of bank-
r uptcy, to any person or persons whatever, not being a bona fide cre-
ditor or purchaser, for a valuable consideration, without notice, shall
be deemed utterly void, and a fraud upon this act; and the assignee
under the bankruptcy shall be entitled to claim, sue for, recover, and
receive the same as part of the assets of the bankruptcy; and the per-
son making such unlawful preferences and payments shall receive no
discharge under the provisions of this act: Provided, That all dealings
and transactions by and with any bankrupt, bona fide made and entered
into more than two months before the petition filed against him, or by
him, shall not be invalidated or affected by this act: Provided, That
the other party to any such dealings or transactions had no notice of a
prior act of bankruptcy, or of the intention of the bankrupt to take the
benefit of this act. And in case it shall be made to appear to the court,
in the course of the proceedings in bankruptcy, that the bankrupt, his
application being voluntary, has, subsequent to the first day of January
last, or at any other time, in contemplation of the passage of a bankrupt
law, by assignments or otherwise, given or secured any preference to
one creditor over another, he shall not receive a discharge unless the
same be assented to by a majority in interest of those of his creditors
who have not been so preferred: And provided, also, That nothing in
this act contained shall be construed to annul, destroy, or impair any
lawful rights of married women, or minors, or any liens, mortgages, or
other securities on property, real or personal, which may be valid by
the laws of the States respectively, and which are not inconsistent with
the provisions of the second and fifth sections of this act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That all the property, and rights
of property, of every name and nature, and whether real, personal, or mixed, of every bankrupt, except as is hereinafter provided, who shall, by a decree of the proper court, be declared to be a bankrupt within this act, shall, by mere operation of law, ipso facto, from the time of such decree, be deemed to be divested out of such bankrupt, without any other act, assignment, or other conveyance whatsoever; and the same shall be vested, by force of the same decree, in such assignee as from time to time shall be appointed by the proper court for this purpose, which power of appointment and removal such court may exercise at its discretion, toties quoties; and the assignee so appointed shall be vested with all the rights, titles, powers, and authorities to sell, manage, and dispose of the same, and to sue for and defend the same, subject to the orders and directions of such court, as fully, to all intents and purposes, as if the same were vested in, or might be exercised by, such bankrupt before or at the time of his bankruptcy declared as aforesaid; and all suits in law or in equity, then pending, in which such bankrupt is a party, may be prosecuted and defended by such assignee to its final conclusion, in the same way, and with the same effect as they might have been by such bankrupt; and no suit commenced by or against any assignee shall be abated by his death or removal from office, but the same may be prosecuted or defended by his successor in the same office;

Provided, however, That there shall be excepted from the operation of the provisions of this section the necessary household and kitchen furniture, and such other articles and necessaries of such bankrupt as the said assignee shall designate and set apart, having reference in the amount to the family, condition, and circumstances of the bankrupt, but altogether not to exceed in value, in any case, the sum of three hundred dollars; and, also, the wearing apparel of such bankrupt, and that of his wife and children; and the determination of the assignee in the matter shall, on exception taken, be subject to the final decision of said court.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That every bankrupt, who shall bona fide surrender all his property, and rights of property, with the exception before mentioned, for the benefit of his creditors, and shall fully comply with and obey all the orders and directions which may from time to time be passed by the proper court, and shall otherwise conform to all the other requisitions of this act, shall (unless a majority in number and value of his creditors who have proved their debts, shall file their written dissent thereto) be entitled to a full discharge from all his debts, to be decreed and allowed by the court which has declared him a bankrupt, and a certificate thereof granted to him by such court accordingly, upon his petition filed for such purpose; such discharge and certificate not, however, to be granted until after ninety days from the decree of bankruptcy, nor until after seventy days' notice in some public newspaper, designated by such court, to all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, to appear at a particular time and place, to show cause why such discharge and certificate shall not be granted; at which time and place any such creditors, or other persons in interest, may appear and contest the right of the bankrupt thereto: Provided, That in all cases where the residence of the creditor is known, a service on him personally, or by letter addressed to him at his known usual place of residence, shall be prescribed by the court, as in their discretion shall seem proper, having regard to the distance at which the creditor resides from such court. And if any such bankrupt shall be guilty of any fraud or wilful concealment of his property or rights of property, or shall have preferred any of his creditors contrary to the provisions of this act, or shall wilfully omit or refuse to comply with any orders or directions of such court, or to conform to any other requisites of this act, or shall, in the proceedings under this
act, admit a false or fictitious debt against his estate, he shall not be entitled to any such discharge or certificate; nor shall any person, being a merchant, banker, factor, broker, underwriter, or marine insurer, be entitled to any such discharge or certificate, who shall become bankrupt, and who shall not have kept proper books of account, after the passing of this act; nor any person who, after the passing of this act, shall apply trust funds to his own use: Provided, That no discharge of any bankrupt under this act shall release or discharge any person who may be liable for the same debt as a partner, joint contractor, endorser, surety, or otherwise, for or with the bankrupt. And such bankrupt shall at all times be subject to examination, orally, or upon written interrogatories, in and before such court, or any commission appointed by the court therefor, on oath, or, if conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath, upon his solemn affirmation, in all matters relating to such bankruptcy, and his acts and doings, and his property and rights of property, which, in the judgment of such court, are necessary and proper for the purposes of justice; and if in any such examination, he shall wilfully and corruptly answer, or swear, or affirm, falsely, he shall be deemed guilty of perjury, and shall be punishable therefor, in like manner as the crime of perjury is now punishable by the laws of the United States; and such discharge and certificate, when duly granted, shall, in all courts of justice, be deemed a full and complete discharge of all debts, contracts, and other engagements of such bankrupt, which are proveable under this act, and shall be and may be pleaded as a full and complete bar to all suits brought in any court of judicature whatever, and the same shall be conclusive evidence of itself in favor of such bankrupt, unless the same shall be impeached for some fraud or willful concealment by him of his property or rights of property, as aforesaid, contrary to the provisions of this act, on prior reasonable notice specifying in writing such fraud or concealment; and if, in any case of bankruptcy, a majority, in number and value, of the creditors who shall have proved their debts at the time of hearing of the petition of the bankrupt for a discharge as hereinbefore provided, shall at such hearing file their written dissent to the allowance of a discharge and certificate to such bankrupt, or if, upon such hearing, a discharge shall not be decreed to him, the bankrupt may demand a trial by jury upon a proper issue to be directed by the court, at such time and place, and in such manner, as the court may order; or he may appeal from that decision, at any time within ten days thereafter, to the circuit court next to be held for the same district, by simply entering in the district court, or with the clerk thereof, upon record, his prayer for an appeal. The appeal shall be tried at the first term of the circuit court after it be taken, unless, for sufficient reason, a continuance be granted; and it may be heard and determined by said court summarily, or by a jury, at the option of the bankrupt; and the creditors may appear and object against a decree of discharge and the allowance of the certificate, as hereinbefore provided. And if, upon a full hearing of the parties, it shall appear to the satisfaction of the court, or the jury shall find that the bankrupt has made a full disclosure and surrender of all his estate, as by this act required, and has in all things conformed to the directions thereof, the court shall make a decree of discharge, and grant a certificate, as provided in this act.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That all creditors coming in and proving their debts under such bankruptcy, in the manner hereinafter prescribed, the same being bona fide debts, shall be entitled to share in the bankrupt's property and effects, pro rata, without any priority or preference whatsoever, except only for debts due by such bankrupt to the United States, and for all debts due by him to persons who, by the laws of the United States, have a preference, in consequence of having
paid moneys as his sureties, which shall be first paid out of the assets; and any person who shall have performed any labor as an operative in the service of any bankrupt shall be entitled to receive the full amount of the wages due to him for such labor, not exceeding twenty-five dollars; Provided, That such labor shall have been performed within six months next before the bankruptcy of his employer; and all creditors whose debts are not due and payable until a future day, all annuants, holders of bottomry and respondentia bonds, holders of policies of insurances, sureties, endorsers, bail, or other persons, having uncertain or contingent demands against such bankrupt, shall be permitted to come in and prove such debts or claims under this act, and shall have a right, when their debts and claims become absolute, to have the same allowed them; and such annuants and holders of debts payable in future may have the present value thereof ascertained, under the direction of such court, and allowed them accordingly, as debts in presenti; and no creditor or other person, coming in and proving his debt or other claim, shall be allowed to maintain any suit at law or in equity therefor, but shall be deemed thereby to have waived all right of action and suit against such bankrupt; and all proceedings already commenced, and all unsatisfied judgments already obtained thereon, shall be deemed to be surrendered thereby; and in all cases where there are mutual debts or mutual credits between the parties, the balance only shall be deemed the true debt or claim between them, and the residue shall be deemed adjusted by the set-off; all such proof of debts shall be made before the court decreeing the bankruptcy, or before any commissioner appointed by the court for that purpose; but such court shall have full power to set aside and disallow any debt, upon proof that such debt is founded in fraud, imposition, illegality, or mistake; and corporations to whom any debts are due, may make proof thereof by their president, cashier, treasurer, or other officer, who may be specially appointed for that purpose; and in appointing commissioners to receive proof of debts, and perform other duties, under the provisions of this act, the said court shall appoint such persons as have their residence in the county in which the bankrupt lives.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That the district court in every district shall have jurisdiction in all matters and proceedings in bankruptcy arising under this act, and any other act which may hereafter be passed on the subject of bankruptcy; the said jurisdiction to be exercised summarily, in the nature of summary proceedings in equity; and for this purpose the said district court shall be deemed always open. And the district judge may adjourn any point or question arising in any case in bankruptcy into the circuit court for the district, in his discretion, to be there heard and determined; and for this purpose the circuit court of such district shall also be deemed always open. And the jurisdiction hereby conferred on the district court shall extend to all cases and controversies in bankruptcy arising between the bankrupt and any creditor or creditors who shall claim any debt or demand under the bankruptcy; to all cases and controversies between such creditor or creditors and the assignee of the estate, whether in office or removed; to all cases and controversies between such assignee and the bankrupt, and to all acts, matters, and things to be done under and in virtue of the bankruptcy, until the final distribution and settlement of the estate of the bankrupt, and the close of the proceedings in bankruptcy. And the said courts shall have full authority and jurisdiction to compel obedience to all orders and decrees passed by them in bankruptcy, by process of contempt and other remedial process, to the same extent the circuit courts may now do in any suit pending therein in equity. And it shall be the duty of the district court in each district, from time to time, to prescribe suitable rules and regulations, and forms of proceed-
Said courts to prescribe a tariff of fees and charges for services under this act.

Proceedings, where to be had.

At least 20 days' notice to be given.

Evidence by witnesses to be under oath, &c.

Proof of debts, &c. to be under oath, &c.

Such proofs open to contestation, &c.

Circuit courts to have concurrent jurisdiction with district courts, in certain cases.

Such suits to be brought within two years.

ings, in all matters of bankruptcy; which rules, regulations, and forms, shall be subject to be altered, added to, revised, or annulled, by the circuit court of the same district, and other rules and regulations, and forms substituted therefor; and, in all such rules, regulations, and forms, it shall be the duty of the said courts to make them as simple and brief as practicable, to the end to avoid all unnecessary expenses, and to facilitate the use thereof by the public at large. And the said courts shall, from time to time, prescribe a tariff or table of fees and charges to be taxed by the officers of the court or other persons, for services under this act, or any other on the subject of bankruptcy; which fees shall be as low as practicable, with reference to the nature and character of such services.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That all petitions by any bankrupt for the benefit of this act, and all petitions by a creditor against any bankrupt under this act, and all proceedings in the case to the close thereof, shall be had in the district court within and for the district in which the person supposed to be a bankrupt shall reside, or have his place of business at the time when such petition is filed, except where otherwise provided in this act. And upon every such petition, notice thereof shall be published in one or more public newspapers printed in such district, to be designated by such court at least twenty days before the hearing thereof; and all persons interested may appear at the time and place where the hearing is thus to be had, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted; all evidence by witnesses to be used in all hearings before such court shall be under oath, or solemn affirmation, when the party is conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath, and may be oral or by deposition, taken before such court, or before any commissioner appointed by such court, or before any disinterested State judge of the State in which the deposition is taken; and all proof of debts or other claims, by creditors entitled to prove the same by this act, shall be under oath or solemn affirmations as aforesaid, before such court or commissioner appointed thereby, or before some disinterested State judge of the State where the creditors live, in such form as may be prescribed by the rules and regulations herebefore authorized to be made and established by the courts having jurisdiction in bankruptcy. But all such proofs of debts and other claims shall be open to contestation in the proper court having jurisdiction over the proceedings in the particular case in bankruptcy; and as well the assignee as the creditor shall have a right to a trial by jury, upon an issue to be directed by such court, to ascertain the validity and amount of such debts or other claims; and the result therein, unless a new trial shall be granted, if in favor of the claims, shall be evidence of the validity and amount of such debts or other claims. And if any person or persons shall falsely and corruptly answer, swear, or affirm, in any hearing or on trial of any matter, or in any proceeding in such court in bankruptcy, or before any commissioner, he and they shall be deemed guilty of perjury, and punishable thereof in the manner and to the extent provided by law for other cases.

SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That the circuit court within and for the district where the decree of bankruptcy is passed, shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the district court of the same district of all suits at law and in equity which may and shall be brought by any assignee of the bankrupt against any person or persons claiming an adverse interest, or by such person against such assignee, touching any property or rights of property of said bankrupt transferable to, or vested in, such assignee; and no suit at law or in equity shall, in any case, be maintainable by or against such assignee or by or against any person claiming an adverse interest touching the property and rights of property aforesaid, in any court whatsoever unless the same shall be brought
within two years after the declaration and decree of bankruptcy, or after the cause of suit shall first have accrued.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That all sales, transfers, and other conveyances of the assignee of the bankrupt's property and rights of property, shall be made at such times and in such manner as shall be ordered and appointed by the court in bankruptcy; and all assets received by the assignee in money, shall, within sixty days afterwards, be paid into the court, subject to its order respecting its future safekeeping and disposition; and the court may require of such assignee a bond, with at least two sureties, in such sum as it may deem proper, conditioned for the due and faithful discharge of all his duties, and his compliance with the orders and directions of the court; which bond shall be taken in the name of the United States, and shall, if there be any breach thereof, be sued and sueable, under the order of such court, for the benefit of the creditors and other persons in interest.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That in order to ensure a speedy settlement and close of the proceedings in each case in bankruptcy, it shall be the duty of the court to order and direct a collection of the assets, and a reduction of the same to money, and a distribution thereof at as early periods as practicable, consistently with a due regard to the interests of the creditors: and a dividend and distribution of such assets as shall be collected and reduced to money, qr so much thereof as can be safely so disposed of, consistently with the rights and interests of third persons having adverse claims thereto, shall be made among the creditors who have proved their debts, as often as once in six months from the time of the decree declaring the bankruptcy; notice of such dividends and distribution to be given in some newspaper or newspapers in the district, designated by the court, ten days at least before the order thereof is passed; and the pendency of any suit at law or in equity, by or against such third persons, shall not postpone such division and distribution, except so far as the assets may be necessary to satisfy the same; and all the proceedings in bankruptcy in each case shall, if practicable, be finally adjusted, settled, and brought to a close, by the court, within two years after the decree declaring the bankruptcy. And where any creditor shall not have proved his debt until a dividend or distribution shall have been made and declared, he shall be entitled to be paid the same amount, pro rata, out of the remaining dividends or distributions thereafter made, as the other creditors have already received, before the latter shall be entitled to any portion thereof.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That the assignee shall have full authority, by and under the order and direction of the proper court in bankruptcy, to redeem and discharge any mortgage or other pledge, or deposit, or lien upon any property, real or personal, whether payable in presenti or at a future day, and to tender a due performance of the conditions thereof. And such assignee shall also have authority, by and under the order and direction of the proper court in bankruptcy, to compound any debts, or other claims, or securities due or belonging to the estate of the bankrupt; but no such order or direction shall be made until notice of the application is given in some public newspaper in the district, to be designated by the court, ten days at least before the hearing, so that all creditors and other persons in interest may appear and show cause, if any they have, at the hearing, why the order or direction should not be passed.

Sec. 12. And be it further enacted, That if any person, who shall have been discharged under this act, shall afterward become bankrupt, he shall not again be entitled to a discharge under this act, unless his estate shall produce (after all charges) sufficient to pay every creditor seventy-five per cent. on the amount of the debt which shall have been allowed to each creditor.
Proceedings to be masters of record—how to be kept.

Fees to clerk of court.

Allowance to court officers.

On partners in trade becoming insolvent.

Joint and separate debts.

Creditors, &c. may prove debts.

Assignees to keep separate accounts.

Net proceeds of joint stock to be paid to creditors of the company.

And of separate estates, to separate creditors. Balance, of separate estate, to be added to joint stock.

And of joint stock, to be divided among separate estates.

Certificate of discharge to each partner.

Decree of bankruptcy, &c. to be recited in deeds of lands.

Such deeds to effectually pass the title of the bankrupt.

Jurisdiction conferred upon the circuit court

**Sec. 13. And be it further enacted,** That the proceedings in all cases in bankruptcy shall be deemed matters of record; but the same shall not be required to be recorded at large, but shall be carefully filed, kept, and numbered, in the office of the court, and a docket only, or short memorandum thereof, with the numbers, kept in a book by the clerk of the court; and the clerk of the court, for the seal of the court to any form, or certifying a copy thereof, when required thereto, shall be entitled to receive, as compensation, the sum of twenty-five cents and no more. And no officer of the court, or commissioner, shall be allowed by the court more than one dollar for taking the proof of any debt or other claim of any creditor or other person against the estate of the bankrupt; but he may be allowed, in addition, his actual travel expenses for that purpose.

**Sec. 14. And be it further enacted,** That where two or more persons, who are partners in trade, become insolvent, an order may be made in the manner provided in this act, either on the petition of such partners, or any one of them, or on the petition of any creditor of the partners; upon which order all the joint stock and property of the company, and also all the separate estate of each of the partners, shall be taken, excepting such parts thereof as are herein exempted; and all the creditors of the company, and the separate creditors of each partner, shall be allowed to prove their respective debts; and the assignees shall also keep separate accounts of the joint stock or property of the company, and of the separate estate of each member thereof; and after deducting out of the whole amount received by such assignees the whole of the expenses and disbursements paid by them, the nett proceeds of the joint stock shall be appropriated to pay the creditors of the company, and the nett proceeds of the separate estate of each partner shall be appropriated to pay his separate creditors; and if there shall be any balance of the separate estate of any partner, after the payment of his separate debts, such balance shall be added to the joint stock, for the payment of the joint creditors; and if there shall be any balance of the joint stock, after payment of the joint debts, such balance shall be divided and appropriated to and among the separate estates of the several partners, according to their respective rights and interests therein, and as it would have been if the partnership had been dissolved without any bankruptcy; and the sum so appropriated to the separate estate of each partner shall be applied to the payment of his separate debts; and the certificate of discharge shall be granted or refused to each partner, as the same would or ought to be if the proceedings had been against him alone under this act; and in all other respects the proceedings against partners shall be conducted in the like manner as if they had been commenced and prosecuted against one person alone.

**Sec. 15. And be it further enacted,** That a copy of any decree of bankruptcy, and the appointment of assignees, as directed by the third section of this act, shall be recited in every deed of lands belonging to the bankrupt, sold and conveyed by any assignees under and by virtue of this act; and that such recital, together with a certified copy of such order, shall be full and complete evidence both of the bankruptcy and assignment therein recited, and supersede the necessity of any other proof of such bankruptcy and assignment to validate the said deed; and all deeds containing such recital, and supported by such proof, shall be as effectual to pass the title of the bankrupt, of, in, and to the lands therein mentioned and described to the purchaser, as fully, to all intents and purposes, as if made by such bankrupt himself, immediately before such order.

**Sec. 16. And be it further enacted,** That all jurisdiction, power, and authority, conferred upon and vested in the district court of the United States by this act, in cases in bankruptcy, are hereby conferred upon
and vested in the circuit court of the United States for the District of Columbia, and in and upon the supreme or superior courts of any of the Territories of the United States, in cases in bankruptcy, where the bankrupt resides in the said District of Columbia, or in either of the said Territories.

Sec. 17. And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after the first day of February next.

Approved, August 19, 1841.

Chap. X.—An Act further to extend the time for locating Virginia military land warrants, and returning surveys thereon to the General Land Office. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of the act entitled "An act to extend the time for locating Virginia military land warrants, and returning surveys thereon to the General Land Office," approved July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, as to all warrants issued prior to the tenth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty, and no others, be, and the same is hereby, revived, and to continue in force until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-four.

Approved, August 19, 1841.

Chap. XI.—An Act to authorize the recovery of fines and forfeitures incurred under the charter, laws, and ordinances of Georgetown, before justices of the peace.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to remove all existing doubts as to the chartered powers of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Common Council of Georgetown, the said Corporation of Georgetown shall be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to recover all fines, penalties, and forfeitures incurred, or that may be incurred, under their charter, and the laws and ordinances passed in pursuance thereof, by warrant before any justice of the peace of the District of Columbia, and execution on his judgment, in like manner, and subject to a like appeal to the Circuit Court of the District of Columbia, as in other cases of small debts.

Approved, August 19, 1841.

Chap. XII.—An Act to revise and extend the charters of certain banks in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the charters of the Bank of the Metropolis, of the Bank of Washington, and of the Patriotic Bank of Washington, in the city of Washington; the charter of the Farmers and Mechanics' Bank of Georgetown, in Georgetown; and the charters of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, and of the Bank of Potomac, in the town of Alexandria, be, and the same are, severally and respectively hereby revived; and all the powers, rights, privileges, immunities, limitations, prohibitions, and restrictions contained in said charters are hereby renewed, extended, and made applicable in full force to each of said banks, respectively, and to the presidents, directors, other officers, and stockholders of each of them, in the same manner, and to the same extent, as was granted and provided by the said several and respective charters, and the laws in force on the first day of January, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, subject to the limitations and provisions hereinafter contained: Provided, Said

This act to take effect from 1st Feb. next.

Statute I.

Aug. 19, 1841.
1848, ch. 93.
1st sec. act of 7th July 1838, ch. 106, revised and continued to 1st Jan. 1844

Statute I.

Aug. 19, 1841.
1846, ch. 67.
Corporation of Georgetown to recover fines, &c. how.

Statute I.

Aug. 25, 1841.

Charters of Bank of Metropolis, Bank of Washington, &c. revived.
Powers, &c. renewed to the extent granted by said charters, &c.

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(a) Notes of acts relating to Virginia warrants, vol. 1, 182.

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banks shall, each for itself, from and after the passage of this act, resume and continue the payment of all its notes and specie liabilities in specie, on demand; and each and every of said banks failing to resume specie payments, as aforesaid, within ten days after the passage of this act, or having resumed specie payments, again suspending or refusing to pay any of its notes or other specie liabilities in specie, when legally demanded, or shall pay out or lend out, after the first day of March next, the notes of any suspended bank, or any paper currency whatever which is not equivalent to gold and silver, shall, in the first case, be excluded from all participation in the privileges and provisions of this act; and, in the second case, shall, ipso facto, forfeit all benefit and privilege granted by it; and it shall be the duty of the district attorney of the United States for the District of Columbia, upon information lodged with him of any such suspension or refusal to pay in specie by any of said banks, to take forthwith the necessary and proper legal steps to enforce the forfeiture hereby provided for such refusal or suspension, and to compel every such delinquent bank to proceed to wind up its concerns, under, and agreeably to, the provisions of the act of Congress entitled "An act to continue the corporate existence of certain banks in the District of Columbia, for certain purposes," approved the third day of July, in the year eighteen hundred and forty.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That each and every of said banks shall be, and they are hereby, expressly prohibited from making any new loan or loans whatever, upon a pledge of stock in said bank as security for the repayment of said loan; and they are hereby required, upon all loans now existing upon any such pledge of stock, to require and exact, before any renewal or extension of any such stock loan shall be granted, other sufficient security for the same, in the form, and to the extent usual in said banks upon making ordinary loans. And the president and directors of each of said banks are hereby made individually liable to all persons concerned, for the whole amount of any loan or loans hereafter made or renewed contrary to the aforesaid provisions, by them, or any of them, or with their consent, from the funds of any of said banks; and the cashier of each of said banks shall keep a regular record of the attendance of the president and each director at every meeting of the board of directors of the bank of which he is cashier; and every president and director who shall be present at any meeting at which any loan upon a pledge of stock, as aforesaid, shall be made or extended, shall be deemed to have consented to the same, unless he shall at that meeting enter his protest, in writing, against said loan on the minutes of their proceedings.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That in each and every of said banks, all loans now existing to any president, cashier, director, or other officer, either as principal or security, to a greater amount than ten thousand dollars, shall be regularly curtailed or reduced, at the rate of at least twenty-five per cent. or one fourth of the whole amount, annually, in a due proportion at each renewal at the expiration of ninety days successively, until the sum of such loan shall, in no instance, exceed the amount of ten thousand dollars aforesaid. And no new loan or loans shall hereafter, on any pretence whatever, be made to any president, cashier, director, or other officer, either as principal or security, to a greater amount in the whole including the unpaid balances of former loans than ten thousand dollars; and the same penalties, liabilities, and presumptions shall, in every case of a loan made contrary to the spirit, intent, and meaning of this section, attach to the president and directors of the bank by which said loan shall be made, as is provided in the preceding section, in the case of loans upon a pledge of the stock of the bank making the same.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That each and every of said banks
are hereby expressly prohibited from issuing or paying out or offering in payment any bank note or other paper in discharge of their debts or liabilities of any kind on any pretence whatever, which the particular bank making the payment or tender is not, at the time of such payment, in the habit of receiving at par, in payments of all notes or other debts due and payable at said bank, under pain of forfeiting for every such offence double the sum so paid out or offered in payment of its own debt or debts; one half to the informer, and one half to the use of the town or city in which the offending bank may be situated, to be recovered by action of debt in any court of competent jurisdiction in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That each and every of said banks be, and they are hereby, expressly prohibited from issuing or paying out, under any pretence whatever, any bill, note, or other paper, designed or intended to be used and circulated as money, of a less denomination than five dollars; and for any violation of the provisions of this section, the offending bank shall incur all the penalties and forfeitures to be provided and directed by the first section of this act for the case of suspension or refusal to pay in specie; to be enforced in like manner, as is directed by that section.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That each and every of the banks aforesaid shall, within forty days after the passage of this act, hold an election in the form and manner prescribed by their respective original charters for nine directors, which shall in future be the number of directors for each of said banks; and the persons elected at said election, shall severally remain in office until the recurrence of the time prescribed by the original charter of each of said banks respectively, for an annual election of directors, at which last mentioned time, and at the same time in every year thereafter, each of said banks shall make its election of directors and other officers agreeably to the provisions of its original charter, except as to the number of directors, which shall in every case hereafter be nine. And there shall be chosen for each of said banks at the special election hereby provided for, or as soon thereafter as may be in conformity to the provisions of their respective original charters, a president and such other officers as may, by the particular charter, be required to be elected, who shall hold their offices for the same time and in the same manner as if said charters had not expired and said officers had been chosen at the last annual election.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That this act shall continue in force until the fourth day of July which shall be in the year eighteen hundred and forty-four.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That the act entitled "An act to extend the charter of the Union Bank of Georgetown in the District of Columbia," approved the twenty-fifth day of May in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, be and the same is hereby extended to the first day of July in the year eighteen hundred and forty-seven, until which time the said act shall be in full force for the sole purpose of enabling the president and directors of the said bank for the time being to close its affairs.

Approved, August 25, 1841.

CHAP. XIII.—An act making an appropriation for the funeral expenses of William Henry Harrison, deceased, late President of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounts presented by the Marshal of the District of Columbia for expenses incurred by the funeral of the President of the United States, be referred to the proper accounting officer of the Treasury, who is hereby directed

Issuing, &c. any bank-note, not at the time receivable at par, prohibited.

Forfeiture, how to be disposed of, and how recoverable.

Issuing notes, &c. of less denomination than $5, prohibited.

Penalties and forfeitures.

Election to be held in 40 days for nine directors, &c.

Election of a president, &c.; term of office.

This act continued to 4th July 1844.

Act of May 25, 1838, ch. 88, to extend the charter of the Union Bank, extended to 1st July 1847.

STATUTE I.

Sept. 1, 1841.

[Obsolete.]

Accounts to be audited, &c.
to audit the same, and allow whatever shall be found justly due thereon.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury pay to the said marshal, out of any money not otherwise appropriated, such sum as the said accounting officer shall allow.

Approved, September 1, 1841.

CHAP. XIV.—An Act in addition to an act to carry into effect a Convention between the United States and the Mexican Republic.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized upon the presentation of certified copies of such awards as have been or shall be made, in pursuance of the Convention with the Republic of Mexico, concluded at Washington, the eleventh of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, in favor of citizens of the United States, to issue certificates to the persons authorized to receive the sums so awarded their legal representatives and assigns in the manner directed by the seventh section of the act of Congress entitled "An act to carry into effect a convention between the United States and the Republic of Mexico," such certificates to be in such form and for such portions of the sums awarded as may be convenient for the claimants and to be subject to the deductions provided for by the tenth section of said act, Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed to give any rights to the claimants that are not conferred by said convention, and the act of June twelfth, one thousand eight hundred and forty; and that the substance of this proviso be inserted in the certificates that may be issued.

Approved, September 1, 1841.

CHAP. XV.—An Act to amend the act entitled "An act to provide for taking the Sixth Census, or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States," approved March third, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, and the acts amending the same.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall and may be lawful for the marshals of the respective States and Territories, who have not, before the passage of this act, completed their enumerations, and made their returns, under the acts hereby amended, to proceed personally and by their assistants to complete such enumerations, and make such returns under the said acts; and the said assistants shall be allowed until the first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, to complete their enumerations, and make their returns to the Secretary of State at any time before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to release such marshals and assistants from the penalties contained in the act aforesaid, unless their returns shall be made within the time prescribed in this act: And provided further, That no person be included in the returns made under the present act, unless such persons shall have been inhabitants of the district for which such returns shall be made on the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty; and the Secretary of State be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be printed twenty thousand copies of the compendium or abridgment of the Sixth Census, by counties and principal towns, together with the tables of apportionment as prepared at the Department of State, for the use of Congress.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of State is
hereby authorized to have the Sixth Census documents bound in a plain and substantial manner, the cost of which shall not exceed fifty cents per volume; and that the amount thereof shall be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the marshal of the State of Maryland, and he is hereby required, under the direction of the Secretary of State, to cause the number of inhabitants within Montgomery county, in the State aforesaid, to be again taken according to the directions of the act to which this is a supplement, and the same to be returned before the first day of December next, and when so taken and returned shall be considered as the correct enumeration of the inhabitants of the said county: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to release such marshal and his assistants from the penalties contained in the act aforesaid: And provided further, That no persons be included in the returns made under the present act, unless such persons shall have been inhabitants of the district for which such returns shall be made on the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty: And provided, also, That the said corrected return shall not delay the printing of the Census: and that the said corrected return be printed by itself separately.

Approved, September 1, 1841.

CHAP. XVI.—An Act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the thirty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, there be allowed and paid to each of the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Alabama, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Michigan, over and above what each of the said States is entitled to by the terms of the compacts entered into between them and the United States, upon their admission into the Union, the sum of ten per centum upon the net proceeds of the sales of the public lands, which, subsequent to the day aforesaid, shall be made within the limits of each of said States respectively: Provided, That the sum so allowed to the said States, respectively, shall be in no wise affected or diminished on account of any sums which have been heretofore, or shall be hereafter, applied to the construction or continuance of the Cumberland road, but that the disbursements for the said road shall remain, as heretofore, chargeable on the two per centum fund provided for by compacts with several of the said States.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That after deducting the said ten per centum, and what, by the compacts aforesaid, has heretofore been allowed to the States aforesaid, the residue of the net proceeds, which net proceeds shall be ascertained by deducting from the gross proceeds all the expenditures of the year for the following objects: salaries and expenses on account of the General Land Office; expenses for surveying public lands; salaries and expenses in the surveyor general’s offices; salaries, commissions, and allowances to the registers and receivers; the five per centum to new States, of all the public lands of the United States, wherever situated, which shall be sold subsequent to the said thirty-first day of December, shall be divided among the twenty-six States of the Union and the District of Columbia, and the Territories of Wisconsin, Iowa, and Florida, according to their respective federal representative population as ascertained by the last census, to be applied by the Legislatures of the said States to such purposes as the said Legislatures may direct: Provided, That the distributive share to which the

(a) See notes to the act of May 29, 1830, chap. 208, 1843, ch. 86.

Sixth census documents to be bound.

The number of inhabitants of Montgomery co., Maryland to be again taken.

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STATUTE I.

Sept. 4, 1841.

Act of May 29, 1830, ch. 208.

Certain States to be paid 10 per cent. on nett proceeds of sales of public lands therein, &c., 1842, ch. 270, § 30.

Proviso.

After deducting said 10 per cent. &c. residue to be divided among the States, &c. of the Union; how.

To be applied as the Legislatures may direct.

Proviso.
District of Columbia shall be entitled, shall be applied to free schools, or education in some other form, as Congress may direct: And provided, also, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to the prejudice of future applications for a reduction of the price of the public lands, or to the prejudice of applications for a transfer of the public lands, on reasonable terms, to the States within which they lie, or to make such future disposition of the public lands, or any part thereof, as Congress may deem expedient.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the several sums of money received in the Treasury as the nett proceeds of the sales of the public lands shall be paid at the Treasury half yearly on the first day of January and July in each year, during the operation of this act, to such person or persons as the respective Legislatures of the said States and Territories, or the Governors thereof, in case the Legislatures shall have made no such appointment, shall authorize and direct to receive the same.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That any sum of money, which at any time may become due, and payable to any State of the Union, or to the District of Columbia, by virtue of this act, as the portion of the said State or District, of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, shall be first applied to the payment of any debt, due, and payable from the said State or District, to the United States: Provided, That this shall not be construed to extend to the sums deposited with the States under the act of Congress of twenty-third June, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, entitled "an act to regulate the deposits of the public money," nor to any sums apparently due to the United States as balances of debts growing out of the transactions of the Revolutionary war.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That this act shall continue and be in force until otherwise provided by law, unless theUnited States shall become involved in war with any foreign Power, in which event, from the commencement of hostilities, this act shall be suspended during the continuance of such war: Provided, nevertheless, That if, prior to the expiration of this act, any new State or States shall be admitted into the Union, there be assigned to such new State or States, the proportion of the proceeds accruing after their admission into the Union, to which such State or States may be entitled, upon the principles of this act, together with what such State or States may be entitled to by virtue of compacts to be made on their admission into the Union.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That there shall be annually appropriated for completing the surveys of said lands, a sum not less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and the minimum price at which the public lands are now sold at private sale shall not be increased, unless Congress shall think proper to grant alternate sections along the line of any canal or other internal improvement, and at the same time to increase the minimum price of the sections reserved; and in case the same shall be increased by law, except as aforesaid, at any time during the operation of this act, then so much of this act as provides that the nett proceeds of the sales of the public lands shall be distributed among the several States, shall, from and after the increase of the minimum price thereof, cease and become utterly null and of no effect, any thing in this act to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided, That if, at any time during the existence of this act, there shall be an imposition of duties on imports inconsistent with the provisions of the act of March second one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, entitled, "An act to modify the act of the fourteenth of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, and all other acts imposing duties on imports," and beyond the rate of duty fixed by that act, to wit: twenty per cent. on the value of such imports, or any of them, then the distribution provided in this act shall be suspended and shall so continue until this cause of its suspension shall be removed, and when removed,
if not prevented by other provisions of this act, such distribution shall be resumed.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury may continue any land district in which is situated the seat of government of any one of the States, and may continue the land office in such district, notwithstanding the quantity of land unsold in such district may not amount to one hundred thousand acres, when, in his opinion, such continuance may be required by public convenience, or in order to close the land system in such State at a convenient point, under the provisions of the act on that subject, approved twelfth June, one thousand eight hundred and forty.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That there shall be granted to each State specified in the first section of this act five hundred thousand acres of land for purposes of internal improvement: Provided, that to each of the said States which has already received grants for said purposes, there is hereby granted no more than a quantity of land which shall, together with the amount such State has already received as aforesaid, make five hundred thousand acres, the selections in all of the said States, to be made within their limits respectively in such manner as the Legislatures thereof shall direct; and located in parcels conformably to sectional divisions and subdivisions, of not less than three hundred and twenty acres in any one location, on any public land except such as is or may be reserved from sale by any law of Congress or proclamation of the President of the United States, which said locations may be made at any time after the lands of the United States in said States respectively, shall have been surveyed according to existing laws. And there shall be and hereby is, granted to each new State that shall be hereafter admitted into the Union, upon such admission, so much land as, including such quantity as may have been granted to such State before its admission, and while under a Territorial Government, for purposes of internal improvement as aforesaid, as shall make five hundred thousand acres of land, to be selected and located as aforesaid.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That the lands herein granted to the States above named shall not be disposed of at a price less than one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, until otherwise authorized by a law of the United States; and the nett proceeds of the sales of said lands shall be faithfully applied to objects of internal improvement within the States aforesaid, respectively, namely: Roads, railways, bridges, canals and improvement of water-courses, and draining of swamps; and such roads, railways, channels, bridges and water-courses, when made or improved, shall be free for the transportation of the United States mail, and munitions of war, and for the passage of their troops, without the payment of any toll whatever.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, every person being the head of a family, or widow, or single man, over the age of twenty-one years, and being a citizen of the United States, or having filed his declaration of intention to become a citizen, as required by the naturalization laws, who since the first day of June, A. D. eighteen hundred and forty, has made or shall hereafter make a settlement in person on the public lands to which the Indian title had been at the time of such settlement extinguished, and which has been, or shall have been, surveyed prior thereto, and who shall inhabit and improve the same, and who has or shall erect a dwelling thereon, shall be, and is hereby, authorized to enter with the register of the land office for the district in which such land may lie, by legal subdivisions, any number of acres not exceeding one hundred and sixty, or a quarter section of land, to include the residence of such claimant, upon paying to the United States the minimum price of such land, subject, however, to the following limitations and exceptions: No person shall be entitled

Certain land districts and land offices may be continued.

Grant of land to States for internal improvements.

Said lands not to be sold for less than $1.25 per acre.

Nett proceeds to be applied to internal improvements.

Said roads, &c. to be free for transportation of U. S. mail, &c.

After the passage of this act, certain persons authorized to enter 100 acres at the minimum price.
to more than one pre-emptive right by virtue of this act; no person who is the proprietor of three hundred and twenty acres of land in any State or Territory of the United States, and no person who shall quit or abandon his residence on his own land to reside on the public land in the same State or Territory, shall acquire any right of pre-emption under this act; no lands included in any reservation, by any treaty, law, or proclamation of the President of the United States, or reserved for salines, or for other purposes; no lands reserved for the support of schools, nor the lands acquired by either of the two last treaties with the Miami tribe of Indians in the State of Indiana, or which may be acquired of the Wyandot tribe of Indians in the State of Ohio, or other Indian reservation to which the title has been or may be extinguished by the United States at any time during the operation of this act; no sections of land reserved to the United States alternate to other sections granted to any of the States for the construction of any canal, railroad, or other public improvement; no sections or fractions of sections included within the limits of any incorporated town; no portions of the public lands which have been selected as the site for a city or town; no parcel or lot of land actually settled and occupied for the purposes of trade and not agriculture; and no lands on which are situated any known salines or mines, shall be liable to entry under and by virtue of the provisions of this act. And so much of the proviso of the act of twenty-second of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, or any order of the President of the United States, as directs certain reservations to be made in favor of certain claims under the treaty of Dancing-rabbit creek, be, and the same is hereby, repealed: Provided, That such repeal shall not affect any title to any tract of land secured in virtue of said treaty.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That when two or more persons shall have settled on the same quarter section of land, the right of pre-emption shall be in him or her who made the first settlement, provided such persons shall conform to the other provisions of this act; and all questions as to the right of pre-emption arising between different settlers shall be settled by the register and receiver of the district within which the land is situated, subject to an appeal to and a revision by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States.

Sec. 12. And be it further enacted, That prior to any entries being made under and by virtue of the provisions of this act, proof of the settlement and improvement thereby required, shall be made to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of the land district in which such lands may lie, agreeably to such rules as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall each be entitled to receive fifty cents from each applicant for his services, to be rendered as aforesaid; and all assignments and transfers of the right hereby secured, prior to the issuing of the patent, shall be null and void.

Sec. 13. And be it further enacted; That before any person claiming the benefit of this act shall be allowed to enter such lands, he or she shall make oath before the receiver or register of the land district in which the land is situated, (who are hereby authorized to administer the same,) that he or she has never had the benefit of any right of pre-emption under this act; that he or she is not the owner of three hundred and twenty acres of land in any State or Territory of the United States, nor hath he or she settled upon and improved said land to sell the same on speculation, but in good faith to appropriate it to his or her own exclusive use or benefit; and that he or she has not, directly or indirectly, made any agreement or contract, in any way or manner, with any person or persons whatsoever, by which the title which he or she might acquire from the Government of the United States, should enure in whole or in part, to the benefit of any person except himself or herself;
and if any person taking such oath shall swear falsely in the premises, he or she shall be subject to all the pains and penalties of perjury, and shall forfeit the money which he or she may have paid for said land, and all right and title to the same; and any grant or conveyance which he or she may have made, except in the hands of bona fide purchasers, for a valuable consideration, shall be null and void. And it shall be the duty of the officer administering such oath to file a certificate thereof in the public land office of such district, and to transmit a duplicate copy to the General Land Office, either of which shall be good and sufficient evidence that such oath was administered according to law.

SEC. 14. And be it further enacted, That this act shall not delay the sale of any of the public lands of the United States beyond the time which has been, or may be, appointed by the proclamation of the President, nor shall the provisions of this act be available to any person or persons who shall fail to make the proof and payment, and file the affidavit required before the day appointed for the commencement of the sales as aforesaid.

SEC. 15. And be it further enacted, That whenever any person has settled or shall settle and improve a tract of land, subject at the time of settlement to private entry, and shall intend to purchase the same under the provisions of this act, such person shall in the first case, within three months after the passage of the same, and in the last within thirty days next after the date of such settlement, file with the register of the proper district a written statement, describing the land settled upon, and declaring the intention of such person to claim the same under the provisions of this act; and shall, where such settlement is already made, within twelve months after the passage of this act, and where it shall hereafter be made, within the same period after the date of such settlement, make the proof, affidavit, and payment herein required; and if he or she shall fail to file such written statement as aforesaid, or shall fail to make such affidavit, proof, and payment, within the twelve months aforesaid, the tract of land so settled and improved shall be subject to the entry of any other purchaser.

SEC. 16. And be it further enacted, That the two per cent. of the nett proceeds of the lands sold, or that may hereafter be sold, by the United States in the State of Mississippi, since the first day of December, eighteen hundred and seventeen, and by the act entitled "An act to enable the people of the western part of the Mississippi Territory to form a constitution and State government, and for the admission of such State into the Union on an equal footing with the original States," and all acts supplemental thereto reserved for the making of a road or roads leading to said State, be, and the same is hereby relinquished to the State of Mississippi, payable in two equal installments; the first to be paid on the first of May, eighteen hundred and forty-two, and the other on the first of May, eighteen hundred and forty-three, so far as the same may then have accrued, and quarterly, as the same may accrue, after said period: Provided, That the Legislature of said State shall first pass an act, declaring their acceptance of said relinquishment in full of said fund, accrued and accruing, and also embracing a proviso, to be unalterable without the consent of Congress, that the whole of said two per cent. fund shall be faithfully applied to the construction of a railroad, leading from Brandon, in the State of Mississippi, to the eastern boundary of said State, in the direction, as near as may be, of the towns of Selma, Calhoun, and Montgomery, in the State of Alabama.

SEC. 17. And be it further enacted, That the two per cent. of the nett proceeds of the lands sold by the United States, in the State of Alabama, since the first day of September, eighteen hundred and nineteen, and reserved by the act entitled "An act to enable the people of the Alabama Territory to form a constitution and State government, and for
the admission of such State into the Union on an equal footing with the
original States," for the making of a road or roads leading to the said
State, be, and the same is hereby, relinquished to the said State of Ala-
bama, payable in two equal installments, the first to be paid on the first
day of May, eighteen hundred and forty-two, and the other on the first
day of May, eighteen hundred and forty-three, so far as the same may
then have accrued, and quarterly, as the same may thereafter accrue:
Provided, That the Legislature of said State shall first pass an act, de-
claring their acceptance of said relinquishment, and also embracing a
provision, to be unalterable without the consent of Congress, that the
whole of said two per cent. fund shall be faithfully applied, under the
direction of the Legislature of Alabama, to the connection, by some
means of internal improvement, of the navigable waters of the bay of
Mobile with the Tennessee river, and to the construction of a continu-
ous line of internal improvements from a point on the Chattahoochie
river, opposite West Point, in Georgia, across the State of Alabama, in
direction to Jackson in the State of Mississippi.

Approved, September 4, 1841.

STATUTE I.

Chap. XVII.—An Act making appropriations for various fortification, for ord-
nance, and for preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities.

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, to be paid out of any money in
the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, namely:

For repairs of West-head battery, Governor's island, Boston harbor,
five thousand dollars;

For repairs of Southeast battery, Governor's island, Boston harbor,
five thousand dollars;

For repairs of Fort Independence and sea-wall of Castle island, Bos-
ton harbor, sixty-five thousand dollars;

For Fort Warren, Boston harbor, one hundred and five thousand
dollars;

For repairs of old fort at New Bedford harbor, five thousand dollars;
For Fort Adams, Newport harbor, forty-five thousand dollars;
For fortifications in New London harbor—rebuidling of Fort Trum-
bull, Connecticut, thirty-five thousand dollars;
For repairs of old Fort Griswold, New London harbor, Connecticut,
ten thousand dollars;

For completing repairs of Fort Niagara, and erecting and repairing
necessary buildings therein, New York, twenty thousand dollars;

For completing repairs of Fort Ontario, Oswego, New York, and
erecting necessary buildings therein, fifteen thousand dollars;

For Fort Schuyler, New York harbor, seventy thousand dollars;
For repairs of Fort Wood and sea-wall, Bedlow's island, New York
harbor, fifty thousand dollars;

For permanent walls for Fort Columbus, Castle William and South
battery, Governor's island, New York harbor, twelve thousand dol-
lars;

For repairing sea-wall of Castle William and other parts of Gover-
nor's island, seven thousand dollars;

For Fort Delaware, Delaware river, provided the title to the Pea
Patch island shall be decided to be in the United States, including
twenty-two thousand seven hundred and seventy dollars carried to the
surplus fund, January first, eighteen hundred and forty-one, fifty thou-
sand dollars;

For repairing forts at Annapolis harbor, Maryland, five thousand
dollars;
For repairs of Fort Washington, Potomac river, thirty-five thousand dollars;
For Fort Monroe, Old Point Comfort, Virginia, one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars;
For repairs of Forts Caswell and Johnson, and preservation of the site of the former, at the mouth of Cape Fear River, North Carolina, five thousand dollars;
For Fort Sumter, Charleston harbor, South Carolina, fifteen thousand dollars;
For commencing dyke to Drunken Dick shoal, for preservation of Sullivan’s island, and site of Fort Moultrie, Charleston harbor, South Carolina, thirty thousand dollars;
For Fort Pulaski, Savannah river, Georgia, thirty-five thousand dollars;
For repairs of Fort Marion, St. Augustine, Florida, twenty thousand dollars;
For continuing sea-wall at St. Augustine, Florida, five thousand dollars;
For Fort Pickens, Pensacola harbor, Florida, twenty thousand dollars;
For Fort Barrancas, Pensacola harbor, Florida, forty-five thousand dollars;
For Fort Morgan, Mobile Point, Alabama, forty thousand dollars;
For Fort Livingston, Barrataria bay, Louisiana, thirty thousand dollars;
For repairs of other forts on the approaches to New Orleans, Louisiana, fifty thousand dollars;
For defensive works, and barracks, and purchase of site at or near Detroit, Michigan, fifty thousand dollars;
For purchase of site, and for barracks and defensive works at or near Buffalo, New York, fifty thousand dollars;
For fortifications at the outlet of Lake Champlain, and purchase of site, seventy-five thousand dollars;
For defensive works, barracks, and other necessary buildings, and purchase of site for a depot at or near the junction of the Matawankeag and Penobscot river, Maine, twenty-five thousand dollars;
For contingencies of fortifications, fifteen thousand dollars;
For incidental expenses attending repairs of fortifications, fifty-five thousand five hundred dollars;

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be, and are hereby, appropriated in like manner:
For current expenses of ordnance service, twenty-five thousand dollars;
For purchase of ordnance and ordnance stores, seventy-five thousand dollars;
For armament of fortifications, one hundred thousand dollars;
For purchase of saltpetre and brimstone, twenty thousand dollars;

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be in like manner appropriated:
For preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities, viz.: For balance required, in addition to the sum applicable out of the amount appropriated at the last session of Congress, for arrearages of pay due Florida militia called into service by the Governor of the Territory in eighteen hundred and forty, nineteen thousand three hundred and eighty-eight dollars and two cents;
For arrearages of pay due Florida militia, commanded by Brigadier General Read, for six months in the service of the United States, commencing November, eighteen hundred and forty, and terminating April, eighteen hundred and forty-one, two hundred and ninety-seven thousand two hundred and thirteen dollars and ninety-two cents;
For arrearages of pay due to a battalion of Georgia militia, for service on the frontiers of Georgia and Florida, in eighteen hundred and forty, and eighteen hundred and forty-one, seventy-eight thousand four hundred and ninety-five dollars and ninety-two cents;

For the Quartermaster's Department, the sum of four hundred and forty thousand and forty dollars; that being the amount required in addition to the amount appropriated at the last session of Congress; which last sums of money for preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities, are to be expended under the directions of the Secretary of War, conformably to the acts of Congress of the nineteenth of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and the acts therein referred to;

For surveys in reference to the military defences of the frontier, inland and Atlantic, thirty thousand dollars;

For arrearages due for roads, harbors, and rivers, where public works and improvements have hitherto been made, and for the protection of public property now on hand at these places, and for arrearages for surveys and completing maps authorized by act of March third, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, forty thousand dollars;

For the defraying the expenses of selecting a suitable site on the Western waters for the establishment of a national armory, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars; and the President of the United States is hereby authorized to cause such selection to be made, and to communicate all the proceedings which may be had therein to the Congress of the United States, to be subject to its approval;

For the construction or armament of such armed steamers or other vessels for defence on the Northwestern lakes, as the President may think most proper, and as may be authorized by the existing stipulations between this and the British Government, one hundred thousand dollars.

Approved, September 9, 1841.

Statutory References:

ARREARAGES OF PAY DUE TO A battalion of Georgia militia.

For arrearages of pay due to a battalion of Georgia militia, for service on the frontiers of Georgia and Florida, in eighteen hundred and forty, and eighteen hundred and forty-one, seventy-eight thousand four hundred and ninety-five dollars and ninety-two cents;

For the Quartermaster's Department, the sum of four hundred and forty thousand and forty dollars; that being the amount required in addition to the amount appropriated at the last session of Congress; which last sums of money for preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities, are to be expended under the directions of the Secretary of War, conformably to the acts of Congress of the nineteenth of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and the acts therein referred to;

For surveys in reference to the military defences of the frontier, inland and Atlantic, thirty thousand dollars;

For arrearages due for roads, harbors, and rivers, where public works and improvements have hitherto been made, and for the protection of public property now on hand at these places, and for arrearages for surveys and completing maps authorized by act of March third, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, forty thousand dollars;

For the defraying the expenses of selecting a suitable site on the Western waters for the establishment of a national armory, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars; and the President of the United States is hereby authorized to cause such selection to be made, and to communicate all the proceedings which may be had therein to the Congress of the United States, to be subject to its approval;

For the construction or armament of such armed steamers or other vessels for defence on the Northwestern lakes, as the President may think most proper, and as may be authorized by the existing stipulations between this and the British Government, one hundred thousand dollars.

Approved, September 9, 1841.

Statute I.

SEPT. 9, 1841.

Chap. XVIII.—An Act to provide for placing Greenough's Statue of Washington in the Rotunda of the Capitol, and for expenses therein mentioned.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounts of Horatio Greenough for expenses incurred in the execution of the pedestal statue of Washington, authorized by a resolution of Congress, February thirteenth, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and the accounts and charges for freight of the same to the United States, be settled under the direction of the Secretary of State, according to the rights of the claimants under their several contracts liberally construed: Provided, That not more than six thousand five hundred dollars shall be allowed the said Greenough in the event that the Secretary of State, under such construction as aforesaid, shall consider him entitled to charge the same; and not more than eight thousand six hundred dollars for the freight aforesaid, and detention of the ship, and for an iron railing around the statue, including the sum of fifteen hundred dollars assumed to be paid by the said Greenough in addition to the original contract as made by Commodore Hull; and the sum of fifteen thousand one hundred dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for the purposes aforesaid.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of removing the said statue from the navy yard at Washington, and for erecting the same in such part of the Rotunda of the Capitol, as may be deemed best adapted for the same by the Secretary of the Navy, in accordance with the joint resolution of Congress.
of the twenty-seventh of May, eighteen hundred and forty, any thing
designating a particular spot contained in the act of fourteenth of July,
eighteen hundred and thirty-two, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, September 9, 1841.

CHAP. XIX. — An Act authorizing the transmission of letters and packets to and
from Mrs. Harrison, free of postage.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That all letters and packets,
carried by post to and from Mrs. Harrison, relic of the late William
Henry Harrison, be conveyed free of postage during her natural life.

Approved, September 9, 1841.

CHAP. XX. — An Act to make appropriations for the Post Office Department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of four
hundred and ninety-seven thousand, six hundred and fifty-seven dollars,
be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the Trea-
sury not otherwise appropriated, to enable the Post Office Department
to meet its engagements and pay its debts, and of which sum fifteen
thousand dollars are hereby appropriated to enable the Auditor of said
Department to purchase account-books for his office, and to bring up
arrears of its business: Provided, That in virtue hereof no clerk shall
be employed for a longer period than one year; to be accounted for in
the manner prescribed in the second section of the “Act to change the
organization of the Post Office Department, and to provide more effec-
tually for the settlement of the accounts thereof,” passed July second,
eighteen hundred and thirty-six: Provided, That the money hereby ap-
propriated shall be accounted for by the Post Office Department here-
after, when the condition of its funds shall permit; to be refunded into
the Treasury, or deducted from any sums which the Post Office Depart-
ment may heretofore have paid into the Treasury.

Approved, September 9, 1841.

CHAP. XXI. — An Act making an appropriation for the purchase of naval ordnance
and ordnance stores, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of six
hundred thousand dollars be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not
otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of purchasing ordnance and
ordnance stores, for the use of the Navy of the United States.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy is
hereby authorized to apply a part of the sum herein and hereby appro-
priated, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, to the purpose of making
experiments to test the value of improvements in ordnance, in the con-
struction of steamers, and other vessels of war, and in other matters
connected with the naval service and the national defence; and also to
the purpose of defraying any charges left unpaid on account of experi-
ments of the like character heretofore made by authority of law.

Approved, September 11, 1841.

CHAP. XXII. — An Act making appropriations for outfits and salaries of diplomatic
agents, and for other purposes.

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, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, viz:—

For outfits of ministers to Russia, Spain, Mexico, and Brazil, and of charges d'affaires to Portugal, Denmark, Sardinia, Naples, Chili, and Texas, sixty-three thousand dollars.

For salaries of ministers to Spain and Brazil, for the residue of the current year, eight thousand dollars.

For salaries of the secretaries of legation to the same places, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

Also, so much as may be necessary to pay, for compensation, to the clerks and other officers in the service of the two Houses, the librarian and assistant librarians of Congress, the gate-keeper and lamp-lighter, for the services rendered by them during the present extra session, three months' additional pay; and to the messengers, assistant messengers, pages and laborers of the two Houses and Library of Congress, and to the hostler of the House of Representatives, the usual allowances made at the close of each session; and to each of the police of the Capitol, the same as to the messengers, to be paid under the direction of the Committee on the Contingent Fund of each House: And the regular pay of the messenger of the office of the Secretary of the Senate, and office of the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall be equal to the pay of any other permanent messenger employed in the Capitol.

Also, a sum not exceeding two hundred and seventy-three dollars, for completing the contract for printing and binding the catalogue of the library.

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CHAP. XXIII.—An Act to provide for repairing the Potomac Bridge.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of fifteen thousand eight hundred and six dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, in addition to the sums heretofore appropriated and unexpended, for the repair of the Potomac bridge in the District of Columbia, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said sums shall be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, in the following manner, to wit:—He shall designate some competent officer of the Engineer corps to draw plans and make specifications of the work to be performed, and estimates of the cost or value thereof, which shall not exceed the sum of forty-five thousand eight hundred and six dollars; the officer thus selected, shall lay his plans, specifications, and estimates before the Secretary of War for his approval, and the said Secretary shall thereupon cause the work to be constructed upon the plan most approved by him, under the immediate superintendence of some competent officer of either Engineer corps, who shall make all necessary contracts for materials and labor, and cause the work to be constructed in the best and most substantial manner within the estimates and according to the plan approved by the Secretary of War, and under the orders and general direction of said Secretary, who will, from time to time, cause such advances of the amounts for this object appropriated as he may deem necessary and proper.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the timbers, or such of them as the superintending engineer may think fit, shall be mineralized, and a sum not exceeding three and a half cents per cubic foot is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expense and cost thereof, the proper amount to be paid on the requisition of the Secretary of War, founded on the estimate of the superintendent.

Approved, September 11, 1841.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on all articles imported into the United States from and after the thirtieth day of September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, there shall be laid, collected, and paid on all articles which are now admitted free of duty, or which are chargeable with a duty of less than twenty per centum ad valorem, a duty of twenty per centum ad valorem, except on the following enumerated articles, that is to say: muriatic acid, sulphuric acid or oil of vitriol, alum, tartaric acid, aquafortis, blue vitriol, calomel, carbonate of soda, corrosive sublimate, combs, copperas, indigo, nitrate of lead, red and white lead dry or ground in oil, sugar of lead, manganese, sulphate of magnesia, bichromate of potash, chromate of potash, prussiate of potash, glauber salts, rochelle salts, sulphate of quinine, refined salt-petre, which shall pay respectively the same rates of duty imposed on them under existing laws; and the following articles shall be exempt from duty, to wit: tea and coffee, all painting and statuary the production of American artists residing abroad; all articles imported for the use of the United States, and the following articles, when specifically imported by order, and for the use of any society incorporated or established for philosophical or literary purposes, or for the encouragement of the fine arts, or by order and for the use of any college, academy, school or seminary of learning, in the United States, to wit: philosophical apparatus, instruments, books, maps, charts, statues, busts of marble, bronze, alabaster, or plaster of Paris, casts, paintings, drawings, engravings, specimens of sculpture, cabinets of coins, gems, medals, and all other collections of antiquities, statuary, modelling, painting, drawing, etching, or engraving; and, also, all importations of specimens in natural history, mineralogy, botany, and anatomical preparations, models of machinery, and the models of other inventions, plants and trees, wearing apparel, and other personal baggage in actual use, and the implements or tools of trade of persons arriving in the United States; crude antimony, regulus of antimony, animals imported for breed, argol, gum arabic, aloes, ambergris, bole armenian, arrowroot, anatto, aniseed, oil of aniseed, amber, assafetida, ava root, alconoque, alba cænella, bark of cork tree unmanufactured, burl stones unwrought, brass, in pigs or bars, old brass, only fit to be remanufactured, brimstone or sulphur, harilla, brazilletto, boracic acid, Burgundy pitch, berries used for dyeing, smaltz, lasting or prunella, used in the manufacture of buttons and shoes, vanilla beans, balsam tolou, gold and silver coins and bullion, clay unwrought, copper imported in any shape for the use of the mint, copper in pigs, bars, or plates, or plates or sheets, of which copper is the material of chief value, suited to the sheathing of ships, old copper fit only to be remanufactured, lapis calaminaris, cochineal, chamomile flowers, coriander seed, catsup, cantharides, castanas, chalk, cocculus indicus, colombo root, cummin seed, cascarrilla, cream of tartar, vegetables, and nuts of all kinds used principally in dyeing and composing dyes, lac-dye, emery, epaulets and wings of gold or silver, furs undressed of all kinds, flaxseed or linseed, flax unmanufactured, fustic, flints, ground flint grindstones, gamboge, raw hides, hemlock, henbane, horn plates for lanterns, ox and other horns, Harlem oil, harts horn, hair unmanufactured, hair pencils, ipecacuana, ivory unmanufactured, iris root, juniper berries, oil of juniper, kelp, kermes, madder, madder root, musk, manna, marrow and other soap stocks, and soap stuffs, palm oil, mohair, mother of pearl, needles, nux vomica, orris root, oil of almonds, opium, palm leaf, platina, Peruvian bark, old pewter fit only to be remanufactured, plaster of Paris, quicksilver, rags of any kind of cloth, India rubber, reeds unmanufactured, rhubarb, rotten stone, elephants and
Articles to be exempt from duty.

Provido.

Further proviso.

Proviso.

Duty on non-enumerated articles.

Duty on articles manufactured from two or more materials. Proviso.

1841, ch. 16. Further proviso.

Drawbacks on certain sugars and rum to be reduced, how.

1829, ch. 11. 1830, ch. 105.

Duty on French wines prior to 2d February next.

other animals' teeth, polishing stones, bristles, ratans unmanufactured, raw and undressed skins, spelter, crude saltpetre, gum Senegal, saffron, shellac, soda ash, sponges, sago, sarsaparilla, senna, sumac, tapioca, tamarinds, crude tartar, teuwentegue, tin foil, tin in pigs, bars, plates, or sheets, tips of bone or horn, tortoise shell, turmeric, weld, woad or pastel, Brazil wood, Nicaragua wood, red wood, cam wood, log wood, dye woods of all kinds, unmanufactured woods of any kind, except rose wood, satin wood, and mahogany, whale and other fish oils of American fisheries, and all other articles the produce of said fisheries, and zine; and, also, wool unmanufactured, the value whereof at the place of exportation shall not exceed eight cents per pound; Provided, That if any fine wool be mixed with dirt or other material, and thus be reduced in value to eight cents per pound or under, the appraisers shall appraise said wool at such price as in their opinion it would have cost had it not been so mixed, and a duty thereon shall be charged in conformity with such appraisal: And provided, further, That when wool of different qualities is imported in the same bale, bag or package, and any part thereof is worth more than eight cents a pound valued as aforesaid, that part shall pay a duty of twenty per centum ad valorem: Provided, That boards, planks, staves, scantling, sawed timber, and all other descriptions of wood which shall have been wrought into shapes that fit them respectively for any specific and permanent use, without further manufacture, shall be deemed and taken as manufactured wood.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be levied, collected, and paid on each and every non-enumerated article which bears a similitude either in material, quality, texture, or the use to which it may be applied, to any enumerated article chargeable with duty, the same rate of duty which is levied and charged on the enumerated article which it most resembles in any of the particulars before mentioned; and if any non-enumerated article equally resembles two or more enumerated articles on which different rates of duty are now chargeable, there shall be levied, collected, and paid on such non-enumerated article the same rate of duty as is chargeable on the article which it resembles paying the highest duty; and on all articles manufactured from two or more materials, the duty shall be assessed at the highest rates at which any of its component parts may be chargeable: Provided, That, if in virtue of this section, any duty exceeding the rate of twenty per centum ad valorem, shall be levied prior to the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and forty-two, the same shall not in any wise affect the disposition of the proceeds of the public lands as provided for by an act passed at the present session of Congress: And provided, further, That no duty higher than twenty per centum ad valorem in virtue of the said section, shall be levied and paid on any unmanufactured article.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, drawbacks payable on exported refined sugars, manufactured from foreign sugars, and on exported rum, distilled from foreign molasses, shall be reduced in proportion to the reduction which shall have been made by law (after the passage of the acts of Congress of the twenty-first of January, eighteen hundred and twenty-nine, and twenty-ninth of May, eighteen hundred and thirty, allowing said drawbacks) in the duties on the imported sugars or molasses, out of which the same shall have been manufactured or distilled, and in no case shall the drawback exceed the amount of import duty paid on either of those articles.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That prior to the second day of February next, the wines of France shall not be subjected, under the provisions of this act or any existing law, to the payment of higher rates of duty than the following, namely, on red wines in casks six cents a gallon; white wines in casks ten cents a gallon, and French wines of
all sorts in bottles, twenty-two cents per gallon: Provided, That no higher duty shall be charged under this act, or any existing law, on the red wines of Austria, than are now, or may be, by this act levied upon the red wines of Spain, when said wines are imported in casks.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the act entitled "An act to release from duty, iron prepared for, and actually laid on railways or inclined planes," approved fourteenth of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, be, and the same is hereby, repealed, and there shall be laid, collected, and paid, on such iron hereafter imported, a duty of twenty per cent ad valorem: Provided, That such repeal shall not operate, nor shall such duties be imposed on any railroad iron, which shall be imported under the provisions of the said act prior to the third day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, and laid down on any railroad or inclined planes of which the construction has been already commenced, and which shall be necessary to complete the same.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this act contained, shall apply to goods shipped in a vessel bound to any port of the United States, actually having left her last port of lading eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, or beyond Cape Horn, prior to the first day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-one.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, September 11, 1841.

CHAP. XXV.—An Act to repeal a part of the sixth section of the act, entitled "An act to provide for the support of the Military Academy of the United States for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, and for other purposes," passed July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the sixth section of an act entitled, "An act to provide for the support of the Military Academy of the United States for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, and for other purposes," as requires the Secretary of the Treasury to invest the annual interest accruing on the investment of the money arising from the bequest of the late James Smith- son, of London, in the stocks of States, be, and the same is hereby, repealed. And the Secretary of the Treasury shall, until Congress shall appropriate said accruing interest to the purposes prescribed by the testator for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men, invest said accruing interest in any stock of the United States bearing a rate of interest not less than five per centum per annum.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That all other funds held in trust by the United States, and the annual interest accruing thereon, when not otherwise required by treaty, shall in like manner be invested in stocks of the United States, bearing a like rate of interest.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the three clerks, authorized by the act of June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, "to regulate the deposits of the public money," be, and hereby are, directed to be retained and employed in the Treasury Department, as provided in said act, until the state of the public business becomes such that their services can conveniently be dispensed with.

Approved, September 11, 1841.
RESOLUTIONS.

June 14, 1841.

No. 1. A Resolution manifesting the sensibility of Congress upon the event of the death of William Henry Harrison, late President of the United States.

The melancholy event of the death of William Henry Harrison, the late President of the United States, having occurred during the recess of Congress, and the two Houses sharing in the general grief and desiring to manifest their sensibility upon the occasion of that public bereavement, therefore

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the chairs of the President of the Senate and of the Speaker of the House of Representatives be shrouded in black during the residue of the session; and that the President pro tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the members and officers of both Houses, wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to Mrs. Harrison, and to assure her of the profound respect of the two Houses of Congress for her person and character, and of their sincere condolence on the late afflicting dispensation of Providence.

Approved, June 14, 1841.

Aug. 25, 1841.

Sec. Treasury may change light-boat stations, &c.

No. 2. A Resolution relating to the light-boats now stationed at Sandy Hook and Bartlett's Reef.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized, if upon full inquiry he deem it expedient, to cause the light-boat now stationed at Sandy Hook to be removed, and to be placed near Bartlett's reef, in Long Island Sound; and whenever the same shall be so removed and placed, to cause the light-boat now at Bartlett's reef to be removed, and placed, if he deem it expedient, near Execution Rocks, in Long Island Sound, with a bell only for the latter vessel, to be so fixed as to be rung by the motion of the sea.

Approved, August 25, 1841.

Sept. 1, 1841.

Commissioners of Patents to send a certain number of copies to each state and territory.

No. 3. A Resolution for the distribution of seven hundred copies of the Digest of Patents.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Patents be directed to send to the Secretary of State of each of the States of this Union, and of the Territories of Florida, Wisconsin, and Iowa, the Digest of Patents published by the Commissioner of Patents, under the act of Congress, dated March third, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine; to be disposed of as the Legislatures of each State and Territory may direct, viz: To the State of Maine twenty copies. To the State of New Hampshire ten copies. To the State of Massachusetts thirty copies. To the State of Rhode Island four copies. To the State of Connecticut twelve copies. To the State of Vermont eleven copies. To the State of New York ninety-eight copies. To the State of New Jersey fifteen copies. To the State of Pennsylvania sixty-nine copies. To the State of Delaware four copies. To the State of Maryland nineteen copies. To the State of Virginia fifty copies. To the State of North Carolina thirty-nine copies. To the State of South Carolina twenty-four copies. To the State of Georgia twenty-eight copies. To the State of Kentucky thirty-one copies. To the State of
TENNESSEE thirty-three copies. To the State of Ohio sixty-one copies. To the State of Louisiana fourteen copies. To the State of Indiana twenty-eight copies. To the State of Mississippi fifteen copies. To the State of Illinois twenty-three copies. To the State of Alabama twenty-four copies. To the State of Missouri sixteen copies. To the State of Arkansas five copies. To the State of Michigan nine copies. To the Territory of Florida three copies. To the Territory of Wisconsin two copies. To the Territory of Iowa three copies. Being in the whole seven hundred copies; and that the remaining two hundred copies of said Digest be left with the Librarian of Congress for future disposition.

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred and twelve dollars and thirty-eight cents be paid from the Patent fund to reimburse what is still due for publishing said Digest.

Approved, September 1, 1841.

No. 4. A Resolution to provide for the distribution of the printed returns of the Sixth Census.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the aggregate returns of the census for the year eighteen hundred and forty, directed to be printed under the superintendence of the Secretary of State, by the act entitled “An act to provide for taking the sixth census, or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States,” shall be distributed and disposed of by the Secretary of State, as follows: to the State of Maine, two hundred; to the State of New Hampshire, one hundred and fifteen; to the State of Massachusetts, three hundred; to the State of Rhode Island, forty; to the State of Connecticut, one hundred and twenty; to the State of Vermont, one hundred and ten; to the State of New York, nine hundred and eighty; to the State of New Jersey, one hundred and fifty; to the State of Pennsylvania, six hundred and ninety; to the State of Delaware, forty; to the State of Maryland, one hundred and ninety; to the State of Virginia, five hundred; to the State of North Carolina, three hundred and ninety; to the State of South Carolina, two hundred and forty; to the State of Georgia, two hundred and eighty; to the State of Kentucky, three hundred and ten; to the State of Tennessee, three hundred and thirty; to the State of Ohio, six hundred and ten; to the State of Louisiana, one hundred and forty; to the State of Indiana, two hundred and eighty; to the State of Mississippi, one hundred and fifty; to the State of Illinois, two hundred and thirty; to the State of Alabama, two hundred and forty; to the State of Missouri, one hundred and sixty; to the State of Arkansas, fifty; to the State of Michigan, ninety; to the Territory of Florida, thirty; to the Territory of Wisconsin, twenty; to the Territory of Iowa, thirty; to each member of the present Congress, and the delegates from the Territories, the President and Vice President of the United States, to each, five copies; being, in the whole, eight thousand five hundred and ten copies; and that the remaining copies be placed in the Library of Congress for future disposition.

Approved, September 1, 1841.

No. 5. A Resolution in relation to the purchase of domestic water-rotted hemp for the use of the United States Navy.

Resolved 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 hereby is, directed to purchase domestic water-rotted hemp for the use of the United States Navy, so far as the same shall be
found of suitable quality, and can be used beneficially to the service, having regard to the cost, strength, and durability of the article; and for that purpose shall cause purchases of such hemp to be made in the different hemp-growing regions of the Union.

Sec. 2. And be it further resolved, That this joint resolution shall be and remain in force for the period of seven years from the passing thereof.

Approved, September 11, 1841.

No. 6. A Joint Resolution making it the duty of the Attorney General to examine into the titles of the lands or sites for the purpose of erecting thereon armories and other public works and buildings, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the Attorney General of the United States to examine into the titles of all the lands or sites which have been purchased by the United States, for the purpose of erecting thereon armories, arsenals, forts, fortifications, navy yards, custom-houses, light-houses, or other public buildings of any kind whatever, and report his opinion as to the validity of the title in each case, to the President of the United States.

2. Resolved, That it shall be the duty of all the officers of the United States having any of the title-papers to the property aforesaid in their possession, to furnish them forthwith to the Attorney General, to aid him in the investigation aforesaid.

3. Resolved, That no public money shall be expended upon any site or land hereafter to be purchased by the United States for the purposes aforesaid, until the written opinion of the Attorney General shall be had in favor of the validity of the title, and also the consent of the Legislature of the State in which the land or site may be shall be given to said purchaser.

4. Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the District Attorneys of the United States, upon the application of the Attorney General, to furnish any assistance or information in their power in relation to the titles of the public property aforesaid lying within their respective districts.

5. Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretaries of the Executive Departments, upon the application of the Attorney General, to procure any additional evidence of title which he may deem necessary, and which may not be in the possession of the officers of Government; the expense of procuring which to be paid out of the appropriations made for the contingencies of the Departments respectively.

6. Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretaries of the Executive Departments, respectively, under whose direction any lands for the purposes aforesaid may have been purchased, and over which the United States do not possess jurisdiction, to apply to the Legislatures of the States in which the lands are situated, for a cession of jurisdiction, and in case of refusal, to report the same to Congress at the commencement of the next session thereafter.

Approved, September 11, 1841.
ACTS OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS
OF THE
UNITED STATES.

Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the district of Columbia, on Monday, the 6th day of December, 1841, and ended the 31st day of August, 1842.

JOHN TYLER, President of the United States. SAMUEL L. SOUTHARD, President of the Senate, pro tempore. JOHN WHITE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. I.—An Act making appropriations, in part, for the civil department, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

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, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, viz:

For pay and mileage of members of Congress and delegates, four hundred thousand dollars;
For pay of the officers and clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives, twenty-five thousand dollars;
For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the Senate, twenty-five thousand dollars;
For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, one hundred thousand dollars: Provided, That no part of the sums appropriated for the contingent expenses of either House of Congress, shall be applied to any other than the ordinary expenditures of the Senate and House of Representatives, nor as extra allowance to any clerk, messenger, or other attendant of the said two Houses, or either of them.

Approved, December 22, 1841.

CHAP. II.—An Act to authorize an issue of Treasury notes. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to cause Treasury notes to be issued for such sum or sums as the exigencies of the Government may require, and in place of such of the same as may be redeemed to cause others to be issued, but not exceeding the sum of five millions of dollars of this emission outstanding at any one time, and to be issued under the limitations and other provisions contained in the act entitled "An act to authorize the issuing of Treasury notes," approved the twelfth of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, except that the authority hereby given to issue Treasury notes shall expire at the end of one year from the passage of this act.

Approved, January 31, 1842.

(a) See notes of the acts which have been passed relative to the issuing and reimbursement of treasury notes, vol. 2, 766.
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CHAP. III.—An Act making an appropriation for the relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, for the relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries; to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, in pursuance of the "act supplementary to the act concerning consuls and vice consuls, and for the further protection of American seamen," passed twenty-eighth February, eighteen hundred and three.

Approved, February 12, 1842.

CHAP. IV.—An Act making appropriations for pensions in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

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 not otherwise appropriated, to wit:

For revolutionary pensions, under the act of the eighteenth of March, eighteen hundred and eighteen, in addition to a probable balance at the end of the year eighteen hundred and forty-one, of one hundred and eighty-eight thousand dollars, eighty-eight thousand two hundred and sixty-one dollars.

For invalid pensions, under various acts, two hundred thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For pensions to widows and orphans, per act of the fourth of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, in addition to a probable balance at the end of the year eighteen hundred and forty-one, of thirty-two thousand dollars, two hundred forty-two thousand two hundred and forty dollars.

For five years pensions to widows, per act of seventh July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, two hundred thousand dollars.

Approved, February 12, 1842.

CHAP. V.—An Act to provide for the early disposition of the lands lying in the State of Alabama, acquired from the Cherokee Indians by the treaty of twenty-ninth of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-five.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all that part of the territory acquired from the Cherokee Indians by the treaty of New Echota of twenty-ninth December, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, within the State of Alabama, which lies west of the line dividing ranges two and three east of the basis meridian of Huntsville, shall be added to and form a part of said district; and all the territory acquired by the said treaty within the said State not attached to the Huntsville district, as above described, shall be annexed to and form a part of the Coosa land district, in said State.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the land office for the Coosa land district, at present located at Mardisville, shall be removed to Lebanon in the county of De Kalb.

Approved, March 4, 1842.

CHAP. VI.—An Act to authorize the Judge of the District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, to hold a special session of the said court.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Judge of the Dis-
district Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania be, and he is hereby, authorized to hold a special session of the said court at a time to be by him designated, in lieu of the regular session which was appointed by law to be begun and held on the third Monday of February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, but was prevented by a vacancy in the office of district judge; and the marshal, clerk, and all other officers of the said court are hereby enjoined and required to make all needful arrangements for carrying into effect the provisions of this act.

Approved, March 19, 1842.

Chap. VII.—An Act supplementary to an act entitled “An act to amend the act approved May thirteenth, one thousand eight hundred, entitled ‘An act to amend an act entitled an act to establish the judicial courts of the United States.”

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the judges of the courts of the United States in the State of Pennsylvania be, and they hereby are, authorized to appoint, when they deem it necessary, one or more commissioners in the different cities and counties, or any of them, of the districts in which their courts are held, who shall have power, by virtue of such appointment, to select from the taxable citizens residing within the limits of the said counties and cities, a number (to be designated from time to time by the said judges) of sober, judicious, and intelligent persons, to serve as juries in the said courts; and the commissioners so appointed shall return the names by them selected to the marshal of the proper district; whereupon, the said courts shall, by due appointments, rules and regulations, conform the further designation and the empannelling of juries in substance to the laws and usages which may be in force in such State.

Approved, March 19, 1842.

Chap. VIII.—An Act to authorize the Governors of the States of Illinois, Arkansas and Missouri to cause to be selected the lands therein mentioned.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the eighth section of the act entitled “An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emptions,” approved September fourth, eighteen hundred and forty-one, as provides that the selections of the grants of land made to the several States, therein mentioned, for the purposes of internal improvement, shall be made, respectively, in such manner as the Legislatures thereof shall direct, is so far modified as to authorize the Governors of the States of Illinois, Arkansas and Missouri to cause the selections to be made for those States without the necessity of convening the Legislatures thereof for that purpose.

Approved, March 19, 1842.

Chap. XX.—An Act to amend the several acts establishing a district court of the United States at Jackson, in the District of West Tennessee, (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the district court of the United States at Jackson, in the District of West Tennessee, shall in future be attached to, and form a part of, the eighth judicial circuit of the United States, with all the powers and jurisdiction of the circuit court held at Nashvillle, in the middle district of Tennessee. And it shall be the duty of the associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States assigned to hold the court for the eighth cir-

cuit to attend the fall term of said court at Jackson, and hold the same; and when he does so, then he may dispense with his attendance at the fall term of the court at Knoxville, in the district of East Tennessee; or when said judge holds the fall term at Knoxville, then he may dispense with holding the corresponding fall term at Jackson. And said circuit judge may elect which court he will hold, at discretion, in the exercise of which he shall be governed by the nature and importance of the business: Provided, Said circuit judge may attend at Knoxville and Jackson at any of their fall terms; And provided also, That in the absence of said circuit judge at any term of either of said courts, the district judge shall hold the same, and may exercise all the powers and jurisdiction conferred on the circuit court when held by the circuit judge.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That appeals shall lie from the district court at Jackson, to the circuit court, in the same manner that they lie from the district to the circuit court at Nashville.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the fall terms of the district and circuit courts at Jackson, shall in future be held on the second Monday of October in each year; that the fall terms of the district and circuit courts of Kentucky be in future held on the third Monday of November in each year; and that the fall terms of the circuit and district courts at Knoxville, be held on the first Monday of November, in each year.

Approved, April 14, 1842.

Statute II.
April 14, 1842.

Entries of lands described confirmed.

Patents to be issued.

Statute II.
April 14, 1842.

Chap. XXI.—An act to confirm certain entries of lands in the State of Louisiana, and to authorize the issuing of patents for the same.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the entries of the following described tracts of land permitted, to wit: Lot number five, of section thirty-eight, and lots numbers one, two, five, and six, of section forty-five, and lots numbers three and four, of section forty-five, and lots numbers three, four, and five, of section forty-six, and lots numbers two, three, six, seven, eleven, twelve, thirteen, and fourteen, of section forty-eight, all said lots being in township number thirteen, of range number thirteen, of section forty-eight, in the said land district north of Red river, in the State of Louisiana, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed and declared to be good and valid; and patents shall issue thereon as in other cases of good and valid entries, and certificates of purchase, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, April 14, 1842.

Chap. XXII.—An act authorizing the construction of a war-steamer for harbor defense.

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 to enter into contract with Robert L. Stevens for the construction of a war-steamer, shot and shell proof, to be built principally of iron, upon the plan of the said Stevens: Provided, The whole cost, including the hull, armament, engines, boilers, and equipment in all respects complete for service, shall not exceed the average cost of the steamers Missouri and Mississippi.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, towards carrying this law into effect.

Approved, April 14, 1842.
CHAP. XXIII.—An Act to establish certain post roads.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following be established as post roads: From Rome, in Georgia, to Commerce, in the State of Mississippi, and also to Memphis in the State of Tennessee, namely, from Rome, through Warrenton, Decatur and Tusculum, in Alabama and Jacinto, in Mississippi, to Ripley, in said State, as a common point, and from said point through Holly Springs and Hernando, to Commerce, and from Ripley through La Grange, in Tennessee, to Memphis, in said State.

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CHAP. XXIV.—An Act to provide for the allowance of invalid pensions to certain Cherokee warriors, under the provisions of the fourteenth article of the treaty of eighteen hundred and thirty-five.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, required to place on the pension roll such warriors of the Cherokee Nation, as were engaged on the side of the United States in the late war with Great Britain and the Southern Indians, and who were wounded in such service, at the same rates of pension as are allowed by law to the officers and soldiers of the regular army of the United States, under such rules and regulations as to the proof of disability as the Secretary of War shall prescribe: which pensions shall commence from the period of disability.

Approved, April 14, 1842.

CHAP. XXV.—An Act relative to the act entitled, "An act granting lands to certain exiles from Poland," approved, thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and thirty-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the acts now in force for the sale of the public lands, and granting pre-emption rights to actual settlers, be, and the same are hereby, declared to extend to, and include, the lands selected in townships forty-four, forty-five, and forty-six, north of the base line, range one east, of the third principal meridian, lying in the State of Illinois, by Lewis Clopicki, under color of the act entitled, "An act granting lands to certain exiles from Poland." The said selections not having been made in pursuance of the provisions of said act, which act is hereby declared to be in full force, for the benefit of said Polish exiles.

Approved, April 14, 1842.

CHAP. XXVI.—An Act for the extension of the loan of eighteen hundred and forty-one, and for an addition of five millions of dollars therefor; and for allowing interest on Treasury notes due.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time limited by the first section of the act of Congress, entitled "An act authorizing a loan not exceeding the sum of twelve millions of dollars," approved July twenty-first, eighteen hundred and forty-one, for obtaining said loan, shall be, and the same is hereby, extended for one year from the passage of this act.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That so much of said loan as may be obtained after the passage of this act shall be made reimbursable, as shall be agreed upon and determined at the time of issuing said stock,
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either at the will of the Secretary of the Treasury, after six months' notice, or at any time not exceeding twenty years from the first day of January next.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the certificates hereafter to be issued for said loan may, when required, be in such form as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, so that the stock may be transferable by delivery of the certificate, instead of being assignable on the books of the Treasury.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized to dispose of the stock hereafter to be issued, or any part thereof, at its par value, but no part thereof shall be disposed of under par until the same has been advertised a reasonable time, and proposals for subscription to said loan invited. And the said Secretary is hereby authorized to accept such proposals, if he deem it for the interest of the United States so to do, as shall offer the highest price for said stock or any part thereof; or to appoint an agent or agents as provided in the third section of the act, approved July twenty-first, eighteen hundred and forty-one, before recited, to negotiate the same: Provided, That no stock shall be disposed of at a lower rate than the highest price offered in said proposals.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the moneys arising from duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, which may be imported into the United States, or so much thereof as shall be equal to the payment, from time to time, of the interest, and to the ultimate redemption of the principal of the said stock, be, and the same are hereby, pledged for the payment and redemption of the stock hereafter to be issued under and by virtue of this act and the said act of July twenty-first, eighteen hundred and forty-one, hereby amended; and so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the interest on said stock, and redeem the same when due, is hereby appropriated to that object, to be first applied by the Secretary of the Treasury to such payments and redemption.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to report to Congress, at the commencement of the next session, the amount of money borrowed under this act and the act hereby amended, and of whom and upon what terms it shall have been obtained, with an abstract or brief statement of all the proposals submitted for the same, distinguishing between those accepted and those rejected; and a detailed statement of the expense of making such loans.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That all the provisions of the said act, not hereby modified or changed, shall be and remain in force, and apply to this act.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to borrow an additional sum, not exceeding the sum of five millions of dollars, if, in his opinion, the exigencies of the Government may require the same; which additional loan shall be made within the time and according to the provisions of said act, as modified by this.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That all Treasury notes heretofore issued under the act entitled "An act to authorize the issuing of Treasury notes," approved the twelfth day of October, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and the acts subsequent thereto, and now outstanding and unredeemed, or which may hereafter be issued under and by virtue of the same, shall, if due and unpaid before the fifth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-two, bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum from that day; and when they may become due hereafter, or may have become due since the said fifth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall bear interest from the day of their
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so becoming due, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, until they shall be respectively redeemed: Provided, That such interest shall cease at the expiration of sixty days' notice, to be given at any time, by the Secretary of the Treasury in one or more of the principal papers published at the seat of Government, of a readiness to redeem the same. And the said interest shall be payable semi-annually at the Treasury of the United States, on the first days of January and July in every year.

APPROVED, April 15, 1842.

CHAP. XXIX.—An Act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of Government for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two.

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 are hereby, appropriated to the objects hereinafter expressed, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, namely:

No. 1. For pay and mileage of the members of Congress and delegates from the Territories, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, two hundred seventy-three thousand seven hundred and twelve dollars.

No. 2. For pay of the officers and clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 3. For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the Senate, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, thirty-five thousand dollars.

No. 4. For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, fifty thousand dollars: Provided, That no part of the sums appropriated for the contingent expenses of either House of Congress shall be applied to any other than the ordinary expenditures of the Senate and House of Representatives, nor as extra allowance to any clerk, messenger or other attendant of the said two Houses, or either of them; nor as payment or compensation to any clerk, messenger, or other attendant of the said two Houses, or either of them, unless such clerk, messenger, or other attendant, be so employed by a resolution or order of one of said Houses.

No. 5. For printing and binding ordered by the Senate during the twenty-sixth Congress, and remaining unpaid, twenty-seven thousand two hundred eighty-two dollars and sixty-eight cents, or so much thereof as may be found due on auditing the account by the proper committee.

No. 6. For preparing, printing, and binding documents ordered by the resolutions of the Senate of second July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, and March second, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, relating to the establishment of the seat of Government, reports, plans, and surveys, for improvements of harbors and rivers, roads and canals, (to be disbursed under the direction of the committee to audit and control the contingent expenses of the Senate; this sum being for printing and engraving done in pursuance of said resolutions prior to July, eighteen hundred and forty), twelve thousand two hundred and fifty dollars: but nothing in this appropriation shall authorize the continuance of said work, unless Congress shall hereafter direct the same.

No. 7. For a deficiency in the appropriations for the twenty-sixth Congress, on account of the contingent and incidental expenses of the House, namely: for printing, lithographing, binding, and books, ninety-

Proviso.

Interest payable semi-annually.

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Congress—pay and mileage.

Officers of the Senate and House of Reps.

Contingent expenses.

Proviso.

Printing and binding ordered by Senate during 36th Congress.

Preparing, &c., documents.

Continuation of work not authorized hereby.

Deficiency in appropriations for contingent expenses of the House.
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eight thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars and eighty-five cents, or so much thereof as may be found necessary, on auditing the accounts by the appropriate committee; fifty-two thousand three hundred and forty-three dollars and forty-six cents of this amount being for books ordered by the House of Representatives, at the second session of the twenty-sixth Congress, to be distributed to the members of that body.

No. 8. For the salary of the principal and two assistant librarians, and the messenger of the library, three thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 9. For contingent expenses, for carpet and repairs to the furniture of the library, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 10. For purchase of books for the library of Congress, five thousand dollars.

No. 11. For purchase of law books for the library of Congress, one thousand dollars.

No. 12. For the salary of the President of the United States, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Department of State.—No. 13. For the salary of the Secretary of State, six thousand dollars.

No. 14. For clerks and messengers in his office, twenty thousand three hundred dollars.

No. 15. For incidental and contingent expenses of the Department of State, including publishing and distributing the laws, twenty-five thousand dollars: Provided, That the job printing, stationery, and binding, of each of the Executive Departments, shall, until otherwise directed by law, be furnished by contract, proposals for which shall regularly be advertised in the public prints. The classes, character, and description, of the printing being specified in each advertisement as far as that can be done, and it being made a condition in all cases, unless otherwise specifically stated in the advertisement, that the work shall be done in the city of Washington; and the contract shall in each case, so far as the proposals and acceptance shall enable the contract to be made, be given to the lowest bidder, whose bid shall be accompanied with proper testimonials of the ability of the bidder to fulfill his contract. For amount due, in addition to former appropriations, for compiling, printing, and binding the Biennial Register, one thousand four hundred and sixty-six dollars and forty-nine cents.

Treasury Department.—No. 16. For the salary of the Secretary of the Treasury, six thousand dollars.

No. 17. For compensation to clerks and messengers in his office, twenty thousand and fifty dollars.

No. 18. For the salary of the First Comptroller, and the compensation of the clerks and messengers in his office, twenty-two thousand six hundred dollars.

No. 19. For the salary of the Second Comptroller, and the compensation of the clerks and messenger in his office, fifteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 20. For the salary of the First Auditor, and the compensation of the clerks and messenger in his office, eighteen thousand nine hundred dollars.

No. 21. For the salary of the Second Auditor, and the compensation of clerks and messenger in his office, twenty thousand nine hundred dollars.

No. 22. For the salary of the Third Auditor, and the compensation of clerks and messengers in his office, thirty-five thousand and fifty dollars.

No. 23. For the salary of the Fourth Auditor, and the compensation of clerks and messenger in his office, eighteen thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars.
No. 24. For the salary of the Fifth Auditor, and the compensation of clerks and messenger in his office, twelve thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 25. For the salary of the Treasurer, and for the compensation of clerks and messenger in his office, thirteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 26. For the salary of the Register of the Treasury, and the compensation of clerks and messengers in his office, twenty-seven thousand two hundred and two dollars.

No. 27. For the salary of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the compensation of the recorder, solicitor, draughtsman, assistant draughtsman, clerks, messengers, and packers in his office, ninety-eight thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 28. For the salary of the Solicitor of the Treasury, and compensation to clerks and messenger in his office, seven thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

Department of War.—No. 29. For the salary of the Secretary of War, six thousand dollars.

No. 30. For clerks and messengers in said office, thirteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 31. For the salary of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and the compensation of clerks and messengers in his office, seventeen thousand nine hundred dollars.

No. 32. For the salary of the Commissioner of Pensions, and the compensation of clerks and messenger in his office, sixteen thousand six hundred dollars.

No. 33. For the compensation of clerk in the office of the Commanding General, one thousand dollars.

No. 34. For the compensation of clerks in the office of the Adjutant General, seven thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 35. For compensation of clerks and messenger in the Office of the Quartermaster General, seven thousand three hundred dollars.

No. 36. For compensation of clerks and messenger in the office of the Paymaster General, seven thousand one hundred dollars.

No. 37. For compensation of clerks and messenger in the office of the Commissary General of Purchases, four thousand and forty dollars.

No. 38. For compensation of clerks in the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence, three thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 39. For compensation of clerks in the office of the Chief Engineer, five thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 40. For compensation of clerk in the office of the Surgeon General, one thousand dollars.

No. 41. For compensation of clerks in the office of the Colonel of Ordnance, eight thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 42. For compensation of clerks in the bureau of Topographical Engineers, three thousand four hundred dollars.

Navy Department.—No. 43. For the salary of the Secretary of the Navy, six thousand dollars.

No. 44. For compensation of clerks and messengers in his office, eleven thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 45. For salaries of the Commissioners of the Navy Board, ten thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 46. For compensation of the Secretary of the Navy Board, two thousand dollars.

No. 47. For compensation of clerks, draughtsman, and messenger, in the office of said Board, eight thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

For this sum to pay arrearage for clerks' salary heretofore appropriated, (the same having been carried to the surplus fund in the year

5th Auditor.

Treasurer.

Register.

Commissioner of General Land Office.

Solicitor of the Treasury.

Secretary, War Department.

Secretary, Clerks, &c.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Commissioner of Pensions &c.

Offices of the Commanding General, Adj. General.

Quarter-master General.

Paymaster General.

Commiss'y Gen. of Purchases.

Commiss'y Gen. of Subsistence.

Chief Engineer.

Surgeon General.

Colonel of Ordnance.

Topographical Bureau.

Secretary, Navy Department.

Secretary, Clerks, &c.

Commiss'rs of Navy Board.

Secretary.

Clerks, &c.

Arrearages.
eighty thousand dollars.

**Post Office Department.**—No. 48. For salary of Postmaster General, six thousand dollars.

No. 49. For salary of three Assistant Postmasters General, seven thousand dollars.

No. 50. For compensation of clerks and messengers in said office, forty-eight thousand six hundred dollars.

No. 51. For compensation of two watchmen at three hundred dollars each, six hundred dollars.

No. 52. For salary of Auditor for Post Office Department, three thousand dollars.

No. 53. For compensation of clerks and messengers in said office, fifty-five thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 54. For repairs of the building lately occupied by the Post Office Department, under an agreement entered into between Amos Kendall, Postmaster General, and B. Ogle Tayloe, the proprietor of said building, on the sixteenth day of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, to put the same in a good and tenantable condition, two thousand five hundred and seventy-two dollars and eighty-five cents.

**Surveyors and their Clerks.**—No. 55. For salary of surveyor general northwest of the Ohio, two thousand dollars.

No. 56. For compensation of clerks in his office, per act of ninth May, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, six thousand three hundred dollars.

No. 57. For salary of surveyor general in Illinois and Missouri, two thousand dollars.

No. 58. For compensation of clerks in his office, per act of ninth May, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, three thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars.

No. 59. For salary of surveyor general of Arkansas, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 60. For compensation of clerks in his office, per act of ninth May, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 61. For salary of surveyor general of Louisiana, two thousand dollars.

No. 62. For compensation of clerks in his office, per act of ninth May, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 63. For the salary of the surveyor general of Mississippi, two thousand dollars.

No. 64. For compensation of clerks in his office, per act of ninth May, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, five thousand dollars.

No. 65. For the salary of the surveyor general of Alabama, two thousand dollars.

No. 66. For compensation of clerks in his office, per act of ninth May, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, two thousand dollars.

No. 67. For salary of surveyor general of Florida, two thousand dollars.

No. 68. For compensation of clerks in his office, per act of ninth May, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, one thousand dollars.

No. 69. For salary of surveyor general of Wisconsin and Iowa, per act of twelfth June, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 70. For compensation of clerks in his office, per act of twelfth June, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, one thousand six hundred dollars.

No. 71. For salary of Secretary to sign patents for public lands, one thousand five hundred dollars.
No. 72. For salary of Commissioner of Public Buildings in Washington city, three thousand dollars.

No. 73. For compensation of two assistants to the Commissioner, as superintendent of the Potomac bridge, at one dollar and fifty cents per day, including oil for lamps, fuel, repairs, and for securing and delivering to the drawkeeper at the Potomac bridge, the draws, timber, iron, &c., carried away by the ice freshet, one thousand six hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 74. For completing the requisite offices, fuel, vaults, water-closets, erecting the portico of the western wing, the colonnade, courts, pavements, and enclosures, including the amount due for lumber and materials for the Treasury building, forty thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars.

No. 75. For completing the work yet to be done, and to pay for labor and materials due, at the General Post Office building, seventy-four thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars.

No. 76. For erecting privies, grading and paving courts, at the new jail, and erecting suitable furnaces for heating the building, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one dollars.

No. 77. For pay of John Joyce, account allowed him by the board of commissioners under resolution of Congress, one hundred and thirty-three dollars and eighty-seven and a half cents.

No. 78. For enclosing Patent Office and grounds with wood pale fence, clearing grounds, planting trees, preparing and fixing window shutters, two thousand dollars.

United States Mint and Branches.—No. 79. For salary of the director of the mint at Philadelphia, three thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 80. For compensation of the treasurer in said office, two thousand dollars.

No. 81. For compensation of chief coiner in said office, two thousand dollars.

No. 82. For compensation of the assayer in said office, two thousand dollars.

No. 83. For compensation of melter and refiner in said office, two thousand dollars.

No. 84. For compensation of engraver in said office, two thousand dollars.

No. 85. For compensation of the assistant assayer, one thousand three hundred dollars.

No. 86. For compensation of one clerk at one thousand two hundred dollars, two at one thousand one hundred dollars, and one at one thousand four hundred dollars.

No. 87. For compensation to workmen in said office, twenty-four thousand dollars.

No. 88. For specimens of ores and coins to be reserved at the mint, two hundred dollars.

No. 89. For salary of the superintendent of the branch mint at Charlotte, North Carolina, two thousand dollars.

No. 90. For compensation of assayer in said office, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 91. For compensation of coiner in said office, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 92. For compensation of one clerk, one thousand dollars.

No. 93. For compensation to workmen, three thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 94. For compensation of the superintendent of the branch mint at Dahlonega, Georgia, two thousand dollars.

No. 95. For compensation of the assayer, one thousand five hundred dollars.
No. 96. For compensation of the coiner, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 97. For compensation of one clerk, one thousand dollars.

No. 98. For compensation of workmen, two thousand eight hundred and eighty dollars.

No. 99. For compensation of the superintendent of the branch mint at New Orleans, two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 100. For compensation of the Treasurer, two thousand dollars.

No. 101. For compensation of the coiner, two thousand dollars.

No. 102. For compensation of the assayer, two thousand dollars.

No. 103. For compensation of the melter and refiner, two thousand dollars.

No. 104. For compensation of two clerks, at twelve hundred dollars each, two thousand four hundred dollars.

No. 105. For compensation of workmen, two thousand dollars.

No. 106. For rebuilding flues of melting department, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 107. For iron rods for strengthening north and south wings of the mint, one thousand dollars.

Wisconsin Territory.—No. 108. For the salary of the Governor of Wisconsin Territory, as Governor, one thousand five hundred dollars; as superintendent of Indian affairs, one thousand dollars; being in all two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 109. For compensation of three judges, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each, five thousand four hundred dollars.

No. 110. For compensation of secretary, one thousand two hundred dollars.

No. 111. For contingent expenses of the Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 112. For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Assembly, pay of officers, printing, stationery, fuel, lights, enclosing the Capitol square, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, twenty thousand dollars.

Iowa Territory.—No. 113. For salary of Governor of Iowa Territory, as Governor, one thousand five hundred dollars; as superintendent of Indian affairs, one thousand dollars; being in all two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 114. For compensation of three judges, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each, five thousand four hundred dollars.

No. 115. For compensation of secretary, one thousand two hundred dollars.

No. 116. For contingent expenses of the Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 117. For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Assembly, pay of officers, printing, stationery, fuel, postage, lights, furniture, rent, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, twenty thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars. And for the arrearages of expenses for the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Iowa, for the present and previous years, the accounts for which shall first be audited and allowed by the proper accounting officers of the Treasury, thirteen thousand four hundred and twenty-one dollars: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be used for the payment of the members of the said Legislative Assembly for per diem wages, mileage, or extra services, or for stationery for their individual use, nor for any other purpose not authorized by the act of Congress establishing the Territory of Iowa: And provided, further, That the Legislative Assembly of no Territory shall, hereafter, in any instance, or under any pretext whatever, exceed the amount appropriated by Congress for its annual expenses.

Florida Territory.—No. 118. For salary of the Governor, two thousand five hundred dollars.
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No. 119. For compensation of four judges, at one thousand eight hundred dollars each, and one at two thousand three hundred dollars, nine thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 120. For compensation of secretary, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 121. For contingent expenses of the Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 122. For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Council, pay of officers, stationery, fuel, printing, rent, furniture, and all other incidental and contingent objects, twenty-seven thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Judiciary.—No. 123. For the salary of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, five thousand dollars.

No. 124. For the salaries of eight associate judges, at four thousand five hundred dollars, thirty-six thousand dollars.

No. 125. For the salary of the district judge, of Maine, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 126. For the salary of the district judge, of New Hampshire, one thousand dollars.

No. 127. For the salary of the district judge, Massachusetts, two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 128. For the salary of the district judge, Vermont, one thousand two hundred dollars.

No. 129. For the salary of the district judge, Rhode Island, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 130. For the salary of the district judge, Connecticut, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 131. For the salary of the district judge, New York, northern district, two thousand dollars.

No. 132. For the salary of the district judge, New York, southern district, three thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 133. For the salary of the district judge, New Jersey, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 134. For the salary of the district judge, Pennsylvania, eastern district, two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 135. For the salary of the district judge, Pennsylvania, western district, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 136. For the salary of the district judge, Delaware, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 137. For the salary of the district judge, Maryland, two thousand dollars.

No. 138. For the salary of the district judge, Virginia, eastern district, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 139. For the salary of the district judge, Virginia, western district, one thousand six hundred dollars.

No. 140. For the salary of the district judge, Kentucky, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 141. For the salary of the district judge, Tennessee, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 142. For the salary of the district judge, Ohio, one thousand dollars.

No. 143. For the salary of the district judge, North Carolina, two thousand dollars.

No. 144. For the salary of the district judge, South Carolina, two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 145. For the salary of the district judge, Georgia, two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 146. For the salary of the district judge, Louisiana, three thousand dollars.

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No. 147. For the salary of the district judge, Mississippi, two thousand dollars.
No. 148. For the salary of the district judge, Indiana, one thousand dollars.
No. 149. For the salary of the district judge, Illinois, one thousand dollars.
No. 150. For the salary of the district judge, Alabama, two thousand five hundred dollars.
No. 151. For the salary of the district judge, Missouri, one thousand two hundred dollars.
No. 152. For the salary of the district judge, Michigan, one thousand five hundred dollars.
No. 153. For the salary of the district judge, Arkansas, two thousand dollars.

No. 154. For the salary of the chief justice of the District of Columbia, two thousand seven hundred dollars.
No. 155. For the salary of two associate judges, at two thousand five hundred dollars each, five thousand dollars.
No. 156. For the salary of the judge of the criminal court, two thousand dollars.
No. 157. For the salary of the judge of the orphans' court, Washington county, one thousand dollars.
No. 158. For the salary of the judge of the orphans' court, Alexandria county, one thousand dollars.
No. 159. For the salary of the attorney general of the United States, four thousand dollars.
No. 160. For the compensation of the clerk and messenger, one thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 162. For compensation of the district attorney of South Carolina, from April twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and forty-one, to December thirty-one, eighteen hundred and forty-two, three hundred and sixty-six dollars and eleven cents.
No. 163. For compensation of district attorney of the eastern district of Louisiana, six hundred dollars.

No. 164. For compensation of district attorney of Wisconsin, two hundred and fifty dollars.

(southern district,) Florida, (Appalachicola district,) Wisconsin, and Iowa, each two hundred dollars, six thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 166. For compensation of marshal for the district of North Carolina, four hundred dollars.

No. 167. For defraying the expenses of the supreme, circuit, and district courts of the United States, including the District of Columbia; also, for jurors and witnesses, in aid of the funds arising from fines, penalties, and forfeitures, incurred in the year eighteen hundred and forty-two and preceding years; and, likewise, for defraying the expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, and of prosecutions for offenses committed against the United States, and for the safe-keeping of prisoners, including expenses under the bankrupt law, and also including thirty thousand dollars arrearages for last year, three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars: Provided, however, That every district attorney, clerk of a district court, clerk of a circuit court, and marshal of the United States, shall, until otherwise directed by law, upon the first days of January and July in each year, commencing with the first day of July next, or within thirty days from and after the days specified, make to the Secretary of the Treasury, in such form as he shall prescribe, a return, in writing, embracing all the fees and emoluments of their respective offices, of every name and character, distinguishing the fees and emoluments received or payable under the bankrupt act, from those received or payable for any other service; and in the case of a marshal, further distinguishing the fees and emoluments received or payable for services by himself personally rendered, from those received or payable for services rendered by a deputy; and also distinguishing the fees and emoluments so received or payable for services rendered by each deputy, by name, and the proportion of such fees and emoluments which, by the terms of his service, each deputy is to receive; and also, embracing all the necessary office expenses of such officer, together with the vouchers for the payment of the same, for the half year ending on the said first day of January or July, as the case may be; which return shall be, in all cases, verified by the oath of the officer making the same. And no district attorney shall be allowed by the said Secretary of the Treasury, to retain of the fees and emoluments of his said office, for his own personal compensation, over and above his necessary office expenses, the necessary clerk hire included, to be audited and allowed by the proper accounting officers of the Treasury, a sum exceeding six thousand dollars per year, and at and after that rate, for such time as he shall hold the office; and no clerk of a district court, or clerk of a circuit court, shall be allowed by the said Secretary, to retain of the fees and emoluments of his said office, or, in case both of the said clerkships shall be held by the same person, of the said offices, for his own personal compensation, over and above the necessary expenses of his office, and necessary clerk hire included, also to be audited and allowed by the proper accounting officers of the Treasury, a sum exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars per year, for any such district clerk, or a sum exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars per year for any such circuit clerk, or at and after that rate, for such time as he shall hold the office; and no marshal shall be allowed by the said Secretary, to retain of the fees and emoluments of his said office, for his own personal compensation, over and above a proper allowance to his deputies, which shall in no case exceed three-fourths of the fees and emoluments received as payable for the services rendered by the deputy to whom the allowance is made, and may be reduced below that rate by the said Secretary of the Treasury, whenever the return shall show that rate of allowance to be unreasonable, and over and above the necessary office expenses of the said marshal, the necessary clerk hire included, also to be audited and allowed by the proper accounting officers of the
Surplus to be paid into the Treasury, &c.

Further provision: no per diem to be made in certain cases.

Further provision: fixing the fees for the northern and southern districts of New York.

Proviso.

Miscellaneous. Annuities and grants.

U.S. coast survey.

Treasury, a sum exceeding six thousand dollars per year, or at and after that rate, for such time as he shall hold the office; and every such officer shall, with each such return made by him, pay into the Treasury of the United States, or deposite to the credit of the Treasurer thereof, as he may be directed by the Secretary of the Treasury, any surplus of the fees and emoluments of his office, which his half-yearly return so made as aforesaid shall show to exist over and above the compensation and allowances hereinbefore authorized to be retained and paid by him. And in every case where the return of any such officer shall show that a surplus may exist, the said Secretary of the Treasury shall cause such returns to be carefully examined and the accounts of disbursements to be regularly audited by the proper officers of his Department, and an account to be opened with such officer in proper books to be provided for that purpose, and the allowances for personal compensation for each calendar year shall be made from the fees and emoluments of that year, and not otherwise: And provided, further, That nothing in any existing law of Congress authorizing the payment of a per diem compensation to a district attorney, clerk of a district court, or clerk of a circuit court, or marshal, or deputy marshal, for attendance upon the district or circuit courts during their sittings, shall be so construed as to authorize any such payment to any one of those officers for attendance upon either of those courts, while sitting for the transaction of business under the bankrupt law merely, or for any portion of the time for which either of the said courts may be held open, or in session, by the authority conferred in that law; and no such charge, in an account of any such officer, shall be certified as payable, or shall be allowed and paid out of the money hereinbefore appropriated for defraying the expenses of the courts of the United States, unless such district attorney, clerk, or marshal, shall be required by the judge of said court or the Solicitor of the Treasury to attend the sessions of the same, and shall actually attend for the performance of the duties of his said office. And no per diem or other allowance shall be made to any such officer for attendance at rule days, of the circuit or district courts, and when the circuit and district courts sit at the same time, no greater per diem or other allowance shall be made to any such officer than for an attendance on one court: And provided further, That the district attorney, marshal, clerk of the circuit court and clerk of the district court of the United States for the northern and southern districts of New York, shall not hereafter receive any greater or other fees and emoluments, including fees and emoluments under the act entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," for services rendered by them, respectively, in the said courts, than now are or hereafter may be allowed by the laws of the State of New York to attorneys, solicitors, counsel, sheriffs, and clerks, in the highest courts of law or equity, of original jurisdiction, of the State of New York, according to the nature of the proceedings, for like services rendered therein: Provided, That no part of the fund hereby appropriated, shall be applied unless in addition to the certificates now required by law, the clerk of the said court shall certify in his official capacity, that the services have been rendered, and the supplies furnished for, and used by the court, and that the charges therefor were legal and proper.

Miscellaneous.—No. 168. Annuities and grants: Josiah H. Webb, per act of twelfth December, eighteen hundred and eleven, fifty dollars; Rachael Dohrman, per act of third March, eighteen hundred and seventeen, three hundred dollars; Elizabeth C. Perry, per act of second March, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, four hundred dollars; Elizabeth M. Perry, per act of second March, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, one hundred and fifty dollars; making in all nine hundred dollars.

No. 169. For survey of the coast of the United States, including
compensation to superintendent and assistants, one hundred thousand dollars.

No. 170. For the continuation of the survey of the northern and southern lakes of the United States, twenty thousand dollars.

No. 171. For completing survey of the boundary between the State of Michigan and territory of Wisconsin, seven thousand dollars.

No. 172. To enable the President of the United States to cause to be made and completed an exploration and survey of that part of the northeastern boundary line of the United States and the adjacent country which separates the States of Maine and New Hampshire from the British provinces, and for completing maps of surveys already made, and other work, according to estimates, sixty-six thousand three hundred and one dollars and seventy-five cents.

No. 173. For the salaries of the two keepers of the public archives in Florida, one thousand dollars.

For allowance to law agent, assistant counsel, and district attorney, under acts providing for settlement of private land claims in Florida, three thousand five hundred and thirty-five dollars and eighty-two cents: Provided, That no allowance shall hereafter be made for compensation to the law agent, assistant counsel, or extra fees to the district attorney of Florida, for attending to the settlement of private land claims in Florida. And the said office of law agent and the power to employ assistant counsel are hereby abolished.

No. 174. For expenses in relation to the relief of certain insolvent debtors of the United States, two thousand dollars.

No. 175. For the support and maintenance of the penitentiary of the District of Columbia, in addition to an unexpended balance of nine thousand three hundred and eighty-four dollars, six hundred and sixteen dollars.

No. 176. To make good a deficiency in the year eighteen hundred and forty-one in the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, as established by the act of the third May, eighteen hundred and three, [two] forty-six thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 177. To complete and put in a suitable condition for occupation the marine hospital at Mobile, fifteen thousand dollars.

No. 178. For the custom-house at Boston, seventy-five thousand dollars.

No. 179. For payment of such amount as shall be found due by the select committee, appointed in the House of Representatives on the thirteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and forty-two, for superintendence, work done, and materials furnished in completing the custom-house at New York, a sum not exceeding twenty-eight thousand two hundred dollars.

No. 180. For expenses of sixth census, including printing statistics and reports, enumeration of inhabitants and addendum, and census of pensioners for revolutionary and military services, ten thousand copies each, a sum not exceeding one hundred and ten thousand dollars: Provided, however, That before the said accounts are paid it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State, or other proper accounting officer, to ascertain from one or more disinterested practical printers, what would be considered a fair and just compensation for composition, press-work, printing and paper, and that so much and no more be allowed: And provided further, That no part of the said sum be applied to the payment of printing the compendium which is now the subject of dispute.

For the removal of the statue of Washington under the direction of a joint committee of both Houses of Congress, the account for which shall be audited and certified by said committee, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.
For expenses incident to the issue of Treasury notes heretofore authorized, two thousand dollars: Provided, That no part of this appropriation be applied, and no compensation shall be made to any officer whose salary is established by law, for preparing, signing, or issuing said Treasury notes.

Light-house Establishment.—No. 181. For supplying light-houses, containing two thousand six hundred and fifty-two lamps, with oil, tube-glasses, wicks, buff-skins, whiting and cotton cloth, transportation and keeping the apparatus in order, one hundred and sixteen thousand seven hundred and thirty-five dollars and ninety-six cents.

No. 182. For repairs, refitting, and improvements of light-houses, and buildings connected therewith, one hundred and twenty-five thousand three hundred and fifty-seven dollars and eighty-two cents.

No. 183. For salaries of two hundred and thirty-six keepers of light-houses, (seventeen of them being charged with two lights each, and one with three,) ninety-four thousand thirty-eight dollars and thirty-three cents.

No. 184. For salaries of thirty keepers of floating lights, fifteen thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 185. For seamen's wages, repairs, and supplies to thirty floating lights, sixty-seven thousand one hundred and seventy-six dollars and eighteen cents.

No. 186. For weighing, mooring, cleansing, repairing, and supplying the loss of beacons, buoys, chains, and sinkers, twenty-five thousand four hundred and ninety-nine dollars and twelve cents.

No. 187. For expenses of examining annually the condition of the light-houses, four thousand dollars; and for superintendents' commissions, at two and a half per cent., eleven thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars.

No. 188. For completing the dike (from Goat Island, Newport, Rhode Island) and removing the light to the new light-house, thirteen thousand dollars.

Intercourse with Foreign Nations.—No. 189. For salaries of the ministers of the United States to Great Britain, France, Russia, Prussia, Austria, Spain, Mexico, and Brazil, seventy-two thousand dollars.

No. 190. For salaries of secretaries of legation to the same places, sixteen thousand dollars.

No. 191. For salaries of the chargés des affaires to Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, Belgium, Chili, Peru, Venezuela, New Grenada, Texas, Naples, and Sardinia, fifty-four thousand dollars.

No. 192. For outfits of chargés des affaires to Sweden, Belgium, New Grenada, and Holland, eighteen thousand dollars.

No. 193. For salary of the minister resident to Turkey, six thousand dollars.

No. 194. For salary of a drogoman to the legation to Turkey, two thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 195. For contingent expenses of foreign intercourse, thirty thousand dollars: Provided, That such portion of the appropriations for foreign missions as shall remain unexpended by reason of reduction or discontinuance of missions, (if any should be made,) may be applied to the payment of such allowances as shall become necessary in consequence of such reduction or discontinuance.

For contingent expenses of all the missions abroad, thirty thousand dollars.

No. 196. For salary of the consul at London, two thousand dollars.

No. 197. For the relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries, thirty-five thousand dollars.

No. 198. For clerk hire, office rent, and other expenses of the office of the consul at London, two thousand eight hundred dollars.
No. 199. In full for the balance of expenses of running and marking the boundary line between the United States and Texas, four hundred dollars; and for salaries of the commissioner, surveyor, and clerk, eleven hundred and twenty-five dollars, or so much thereof as may be found due, on the accounts being audited by the appropriate officer.

No. 200. For the benefit of the legal representatives of Edward Lee, (being a re-appropriation of the amount specified in the act of March seven, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, for the relief of Edward Lee,) three hundred and fifty dollars: Provided, That no allowance shall be made, out of any moneys appropriated by this bill, to any clerk or other officer for the discharge of duties, the performance of which belongs to any other clerk or other officer in the same or any other department; and that no allowance shall be made for any extra services whatever, which any clerk or other officer may be required to perform: And provided, also, That no person shall be paid for carrying the office mails or doing any other duties which ought to be done by the messengers of particular departments.

Post Office Department.—For the service of the General Post Office for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, in conformity to the act of second July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, four millions four hundred and eighty-five thousand and nine hundred dollars, viz:

No. 201. For transportation of the mail, three millions one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

No. 202. For compensation of postmasters, nine hundred and fifteen thousand dollars: Provided, however, That in addition to returns now required to be rendered by postmasters, it shall be the duty of Postmasters at New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and New Orleans, and the other several cities of the Union, each and every year hereafter, to render a quarter-yearly account to the Postmaster General, under oath, in such form as the latter shall prescribe, for the purpose of giving full effect to this proviso, of all emoluments or sums by them respectively received for boxes, or pigeon-holes, or other receptacles for letters or papers, and by them charged for to individuals; or for the delivery of letters or papers at or from any place in either of said cities, other than the actual post office of such city; and of all emoluments, receipts, and profits, that have come to their hands by reason of keeping branch post offices in either of said cities; and if, from such accounting, it shall appear that the nett amount received by either of the postmasters at either of such cities, for such boxes, and pigeon-holes, and other receptacles for letters and papers, and for delivering letters or papers at or from any place in either of said cities, other than said post office, and by reason of keeping a branch post office in either of said cities, shall, in the aggregate, exceed the sum of three thousand dollars in any one year, such excess shall be paid to the Postmaster General, for the use and purposes of the Post Office Department; and no postmaster shall, hereafter, under any pretence whatsoever, have, or receive, or retain for himself, in the aggregate, more than five thousand dollars per year, including salary, commissions, boxes, and all other fees, perquisites, and emoluments, of any name or character whatsoever, and for any service whatsoever.

No. 203. For ship, steamboat, and way letters, twenty thousand dollars.

No. 204. For wrapping paper, sixteen thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 205. For office furniture, (for offices of postmasters,) four thousand six hundred dollars.

No. 206. For advertising, thirty-three thousand five hundred dollars.

No. 207. For mail bags, twenty thousand dollars.

No. 208. For blanks, thirty thousand dollars.

No. 209. For mail locks, keys and stamps, ten thousand dollars.
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No. 210. For mail depredations and special agents, twenty-eight thousand dollars.

No. 211. For clerks for offices, (i. e. to deputy postmasters,) two hundred thousand dollars.

No. 212. For miscellaneous, fifty-eight thousand dollars: Provided, That the President and the Postmaster General shall have the same power to transfer funds from one to another head of appropriation, between the foregoing appropriations, made for the service of the General Post Office, as the President and any other head of an Executive Department now have to transfer funds appropriated under one head to the service of another, in any other branch of the public service.

Approved, May 18, 1842.

CHAP. XXX.—An Act changing the times of holding the circuit and district courts of the United States for the districts of East and West Tennessee.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the circuit and district courts of the United States for the district of East Tennessee, shall hereafter be held at Knoxville in said district, on the first Mondays in November and May, in each and every year, instead of the times heretofore fixed by law; and that the circuit and district courts for the district of West Tennessee shall hereafter be held at Jackson, in said district, on the second Mondays in October and April, in each and every year, instead of the times heretofore fixed by law—the spring terms of said circuit court at Knoxville and Jackson, as herein provided, to be held by the district judge; and should any difficult question of law arise in any cause, said judge may, at his discretion, adjourn said cause to the succeeding term of said court. And all writs, pleads, suits, recognizances, indictments, or other proceedings, civil or criminal, issued, commenced, or pending in either of said courts, shall be returnable to, be entered and have day in court, and be heard and tried according to the times of holding said courts, as herein provided.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That such rule days, for the return of process and the filing of pleadings, may from time to time be fixed, and other orders made by said courts, respectively, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States, as may be necessary or proper for the convenience of parties and the advancement of business in said courts; and that the first section of "An act to amend an act, approved the eighteenth of January, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled an act to require the judge of the district of East and West Tennessee to hold a court at Jackson, in said State,' approved June the eighteenth, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, and for other purposes," approved July the fourth, eighteen hundred and forty, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Approved, May 18, 1842.

CHAP. XXXI.—An Act to amend the act of the tenth of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An act to change the time of holding the circuit and district courts in the district of Ohio.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the term of the circuit and district courts of the United States, in the district of Ohio, now required by law to be held on the first Monday of July, annually, at Columbus, shall hereafter be held at the city of Cincinnati; and all process and recognizances, and other proceedings taken or issued, or made returnable at Columbus, at the said July term next, shall be re-

(c) See notes to the act of June 18, 1839, chap. 3.
Chap. XXXII.—An Act regulating commercial intercourse with the port of Cayenne, in the colony of French Guiana, and to remit certain duties. (a)

Bennetted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the act entitled "An act regulating the commercial intercourse with the islands of Martinique and Guadaloupe," approved on the ninth of May, eighteen hundred and twenty-eight, admitting French vessels coming from, and laden with articles, the growth and manufacture of either of the said islands, are hereby extended to the vessels of the same nation coming from the port of Cayenne, in the colony of French Guiana, so as to entitle said vessels coming directly from said port of Cayenne, and laden with articles the growth or manufacture of said colony, which are permitted to be exported therefrom in American vessels, to admission into the ports of the United States, on payment of no higher duties of tonnage, or on their cargoes, as aforesaid, than are imposed on American vessels, and on like cargoes therein imported: Provided, That if the President of the United States shall, at any time, receive satisfactory information that the privileges allowed to American vessels and their cargoes in the said colony of French Guiana by the arrears of its Governor, bearing date the fifth of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, and the twenty-eighth of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, and by the tariffs and regulations in force in the colony, have been revoked or annulled, he is hereby authorized, by proclamation, to suspend the operations of this act, and withhold all privileges allowed under it.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to refund, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such amount of duty, inconsistent with the provisos of the first section of this act, which, since the arreates, and the tariffs, and regulations referred to in the provisions to the first section of this act, have been in operation in said colony, as may have been levied in the ports of the United States upon any French vessels coming directly from the port of Cayenne, laden with such articles, the growth or manufacture of said colony, which were allowed to be exported therefrom in American vessels.

Approved, June 1, 1842.

Chap. XXXVIII.—An Act to authorize the collector of the district of Fairfield to reside in either of the towns of Fairfield or Bridgeport.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the act entitled "An act to regulate the duties on imports and tonnage," approved March second, seventeen hundred and ninety-nine, as requires the collector for the district of Fairfield, in the State of Connecticut, to reside in the town of Fairfield, be, and the same is hereby, repealed;

Statute II.

French vessels coming directly from Cayenne, &c. to pay no higher duties than American vessels. 1028, ch. 49.

President authorized to suspend the operations of this act, when.

Certain duties to be refunded.

Statute II.

So much of act 2d March 1799, ch. 22, as requires the collector to reside at Fairfield, repealed, &c.
and the said collector shall reside in said town of Fairfield, or in the
town of Bridgeport, within said district.

Approved, June 4, 1842.

CHAP. XXXIX.—An Act to provide for the settlement of the claim of the State of
Maine for the services of her militia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to cause to be reimbursed and paid to the State of Maine, on the order of the Governor of said State, out of any money not otherwise appropriated, such amount as the Paymaster General of the United States army, and the accounting officers of the Treasury shall ascertain and certify would have been due from the United States to the militia called into the service of the State in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, for the protection of her northeastern frontier, by the Governor, if said militia had been duly called into the service of the United States, and regularly received and mustered by the officers of the United States army, according to the laws and regulations which have governed in the payment of the volunteers and militia of other States. And the Paymaster General and accounting officers of the Treasury are hereby authorized and required to include the following claims, presented by said State, viz.:

First. The cost of cannon-balls and knapsacks purchased by the State, for the use of the troops called into service, and for defence of the frontier aforesaid: Provided, That said balls and knapsacks shall belong to the United States.

Second. The amount paid by the State for transportation of military stores, and of her troops in actual service as aforesaid; Provided, The amount should, in the opinion of the Secretary of War, appear to be reasonable.

Third. The pay or compensation allowed by the State to the Paymaster and Commissary General, and other staff officers, while they were respectively employed in making or superintending disbursements for the militia in actual service as aforesaid: Provided, The compensation paid by the State, as aforesaid, shall not exceed that paid by the United States for similar services.

Fourth. The sum paid by the State for blankets for the use of her militia while in actual service as aforesaid, or so much thereof as shall appear reasonable.

Fifth. The amount of expenditures by said State in necessary repairs of arms used by the militia while in actual service as aforesaid.

Provided, That the accounts of the agent employed by the State of Maine to make said payments, be submitted to the Paymaster General and the accounting officers for their inspection.

Approved, June 13, 1842.
have been offered at public sale within either of the land districts in said State of Mississippi, contiguous to said lands, within said State," ceded by the Chickasaws, be so amended that the said lands may be selected, under the direction of the Governor of said State of Missis-

sippi, out of any public lands remaining unsold within either of the land districts in said State of Mississippi, contiguous to the lands in said State, ceded by the Chickasaw Indians.

APPROVED, June 13, 1842.

Chap. XLVII.—An Act for the apportionment of Representatives among the several States according to the sixth census. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, the House of Representatives shall be composed of members elected agree-

ably to a ratio of one Representative for every seventy thousand six hundred and eighty persons in each State, and of one additional represen-

tative for each State having a fraction greater than one moiety of the said ratio, computed according to the rule prescribed by the Constitu-

tion of the United States; that is to say: Within the State of Maine,

seven; within the State of New Hampshire, four; within the State of Massachusetts, ten; within the State of Rhode Island, two; within the State of Connecticut, four; within the State of Vermont, four; within the State of New York, thirty-four; within the State of New Jersey, five; within the State of Pennsylvania, twenty-four; within the State of Delaware, one; within the State of Maryland, six; within the State of Virginia, fifteen; within the State of North Carolina, nine; within the State of South Carolina, seven; within the State of Georgia, eight; within the State of Alabama, seven; within the State of Louisiana, four; within the State of Mississippi, four; within the State of Ten-

nessee, eleven; within the State of Kentucky, ten; within the State of Ohio, twenty-one; within the State of Indiana, ten; within the State of Illinois, seven; within the State of Missouri, five; within the State of Arkansas, one; and within the State of Michigan, three.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in every case where a State is entitled to more than one Representative, the number to which each State shall be entitled under this apportionment shall be elected by dis-

tricts composed of contiguous territory equal in number to the number of Representatives to which said State may be entitled, no one district electing more than one Representative.

APPROVED, June 25, 1842.

Chap. L.—An Act confirming certain land claims in Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the claims to lands within the land district of New Orleans, being numbers six, seven, eight, nine, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, thirty, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-eight, forty-seven, fifty-nine, sixty, sixty-one, and sixty-two, of the two reports of the register and receiver of said land district, dated fourteenth of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, and second of November, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and made under the provisions of the act of the sixth of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, entitled "An act for the final adjustment of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana," be, and the same are

Statute II.
June 25, 1842.

House of Repre-

sentatives, how to be com-

posed.

Ratio of Re-

presentation.

Number of Repre-

sentatives to each State.

Where a State is entitled to more than one representative, the election to be by districts, &c.

Statute II.
July 6, 1842.


1835, ch. 17.

(a) See notes of the acts for the apportionment of representatives among the several States, according to the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth census; act of Jan. 14, 1802, chap. 1.
hereby, confirmed: Provided, always, That this is only to operate as a quit-claim on the part of the United States.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise disposed of, to be used by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, in paying the expenses of a copy of all the documents of record, and offered before the register and receiver of the New Orleans land district, in support of the claims reported upon by them, and which are not confirmed by this act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That claims numbers two, five, eight, nine, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, sixteen, seventeen, nineteen, twenty-two, twenty-six, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, thirty-eight, forty and forty-six, of the report of the register and receiver of the Ouachita land district, in the State of Louisiana, dated the twenty-fourth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and made under the provisions of the act of the sixth day of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, are hereby confirmed for six hundred and forty acres each.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That numbers one, four, seven, fifteen, eighteen, twenty-three, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-seven, and forty-eight of said report, are also confirmed, as recommended by the register and receiver; number three, is confirmed to two thousand acres, number twenty-four to one thousand acres, and number forty-five to two hundred acres: Provided, That this act shall amount only to a relinquishment on the part of the United States, and shall in no manner affect the rights of third persons, and, on the presentation to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of a plat of survey duly approved by the surveyor general of the State of Louisiana, the claimant shall be entitled to a patent.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That claims numbers ten, eighteen, nineteen, and twenty, of the list reported by the register and receiver of the land office at Greensburg, formerly St. Helena, under the provisions of the act of Congress of the sixth day of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, entitled “An act for the final adjustment of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana,” be, and the same are hereby confirmed; and upon the presentation to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of a plat, approved by the surveyor general of Louisiana, the owner or owners of said claims shall be entitled to a patent.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That claims numbers seven and eight of the list mentioned in the preceding section are also confirmed, giving the right to the claimants to locate the same within one year after the passage of this act, on any public lands subject to sale at private entry, in the district where said claims are situated; which location, approved and certified by the surveyor general of Louisiana to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, will entitle said claimants to a patent: Provided, Said claimants shall, previous to making said location, relinquish to the United States their claims to the lands originally claimed by them.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the claims to land within the district south of Red river, being numbers thirty-three, thirty-five, forty-five, fifty-two, seventy-seven, seventy-nine, eighty-seven, ninety-three, one hundred, one hundred and two, one hundred and three, one hundred and eight, one hundred and twenty-two, one hundred and thirty-two, one hundred and forty-two, one hundred and forty-seven, one hundred and fifty-one, one hundred and fifty-two, one hundred and fifty-seven, one hundred and fifty-nine, one hundred and sixty, one hundred and sixty-two, one hundred and sixty-three, one hundred and sixty-four, one hundred and sixty-five, one hundred and sixty-six, of the reports of the register and receiver of the land
office at Opelousas, dated the thirtieth May and sixth June, eighteen hundred and forty, made under the provisions of the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-five, aforesaid, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed: Provided, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall cause a further investigation to be made, and further evidence to be taken, in relation to claim number one hundred and sixty-one of said report; and should it appear that the original claimants actually inhabited and cultivated the lands claimed on and prior to the twenty-second day of February, eighteen hundred and nineteen, then and in that case, the same shall be confirmed, by and with the approbation of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That the following claims in the said reports of the register and receiver of the land office at Opelousas be, and the same are hereby, confirmed, as follows, to wit: Number twenty-nine, to the legal representatives of Joseph Maritaurus; number forty-six, to the extent contained in a league square; number forty-nine, for six hundred and forty acres, to the legal representatives of Bernard Lacroix; number fifty-four, to the legal representatives of J. Baptiste Valléry; number seventy-eight, for six hundred and forty acres, to Onezime Guedry, assignee of Nicholas Provost, and six hundred and forty acres to the legal heirs and representatives of Daniel Guedry and Jean Mouton, senior; number ninety-one, for so much as will, with the quantity heretofore confirmed, make the quantity of one league front by the depth of forty arpents; number ninety-nine, for six hundred and forty acres, to embrace the residence and improvements of Hugh Mulhollan on and previous to the twentieth day of December, eighteen hundred and three; number one hundred and fourteen, to the legal representatives of Andre Dumas; number one hundred and fifty-four, to the legal representatives of Antonio Mora; number one hundred and fifty-eight, to the legal representatives of Louis Frizzini; number one hundred and sixty-seven, to Jacob Wallace or his legal representatives.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of the two preceding sections of this act, which confirm donation claims situate in that part of said land district known as the "neutral territory," shall not be regarded as extending to any lands which are held by any person by virtue of any bona fide French or Spanish grant, warrant, or order of survey, made prior to the twentieth of December, eighteen hundred and three, heretofore filed, according to law, with any register, or commissioner, or register and receiver of said district: Provided, That the confirmations made by virtue of the two preceding sections shall only operate as a relinquishment of the right of the United States, and shall not affect the right of third persons, nor preclude a judicial decision between private claimants for the same land; and on the presentation, to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of a plat of survey, duly approved by the surveyor general of Louisiana, the claimant shall be entitled to a patent.

Approved, July 6, 1842.

CHAP. LXIV.—An act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

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 they are hereby, appropriated, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, for the purpose of paying the current expenses of the Indian department, fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes, and contingent expenses, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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For the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, viz: For the pay of the superintendent of Indian affairs at St. Louis, and the several Indian agents, as provided by the acts of June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and thirty-four, and of March third, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, sixteen thousand five hundred dollars.

For the pay of sub-agents authorized by the act of June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and thirty-four, thirteen thousand dollars.

For the pay of interpreters, as authorized by the same act, eleven thousand three hundred dollars.

For the salary of one clerk in the office of the superintendent of Indian affairs south of the Missouri river, one thousand dollars.

For the salary of two clerks, in the office of the commissioner of Indian affairs, employed in the business of grants and reservations under Indian treaties, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For the purchase of provisions for Indians, at the distribution of annuities, while on visits of business with the superintendents and agents, and when assembled on public business, eleven thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the necessary buildings required at the several agencies, and repairs thereof, two thousand dollars.

For postages, rents, stationery, fuel for offices, and other contingencies of the Indian department, and for transportation and incidental expenses, thirty-six thousand five hundred dollars.

For carrying into effect the stipulations of certain Indian treaties, and the laws connected therewith, viz:

For fulfilling treaty with the Christian Indians, four hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Chippewas of the Mississippi, thirty-five thousand dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Chippewas of Saganaaw, five thousand eight hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Chippewas, Menomonies, Winnebagoes, and New York Indians, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Chippewas, Ottowas, and Pottawatamies, thirty-three thousand eight hundred and ninety dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Choctaws, forty-nine thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Creeks, sixty three thousand nine hundred and forty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Chickasaws, six thousand dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Cherokees, five thousand six hundred and forty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Delawares, ten thousand three hundred and forty-four dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Florida Indians, six thousand six hundred and ten dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Iowas, seven thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Kickapoos, five thousand five hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Kaskaskias and Peorias, three thousand dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Kanzas, six thousand and forty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Miamies, fifty-two thousand three hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Eel Rivers, (Miamies,) one thousand one hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Menomonies, thirty-one thousand eight hundred and thirty dollars.
For fulfilling treaties with the Omahas, one thousand four hundred and forty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Ottawas and Chippewas, sixty-two thousand three hundred and sixty-five dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Otoes and Missourias, five thousand six hundred and forty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Osages, thirty-four thousand four hundred and six dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Ottowas, four thousand three hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Pottawatomies, fifteen thousand two hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Pottawatomies of Huron, four hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Pottawatomies of the Prairie, fifteen thousand four hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Pottawatomies of the Wabash, twenty thousand dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Piankeshaws, eight hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Pawnees, nine thousand six hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Quapaws, four thousand six hundred and sixty dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Six Nations of New York, four thousand five hundred dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Senecas of New York, six thousand dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Sioux of the Mississippi, forty thousand five hundred and ten dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Yancton and Santie Sioux, one thousand three hundred and forty dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Sacs and Foxes of Missouri, seven thousand eight hundred and seventy dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Sacs and Foxes of Mississippi, forty-eight thousand five hundred and forty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Shawnees, seven thousand one hundred and eighty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Senecas and Shawnees, two thousand and sixty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Senecas, two thousand six hundred and sixty dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Wyandots, six thousand eight hundred and forty dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Weas, three thousand dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Wyandots, Munsees, and Delawares, one thousand dollars.

For fulfilling treaties with the Winnebagoes, ninety-two thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars.

For fulfilling treaty with the Miamies of twenty-eighth November, eighteen hundred and forty, three hundred and eighty-three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

To enable the Secretary of War to procure medals to be distributed among the chiefs and leading men of the Indians, two thousand five hundred dollars.

To cover expenses incurred by the commissioners in holding treaties with the Sac and Fox, Winnebago and Sioux Indians, over and above the sum of five thousand dollars appropriated last year, and to meet the expenses of negotiations with Sac and Fox, Winnebago and Sioux Indians.
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Expenses of further negotiations with the two former tribes, viz. the Sac and Fox, and Winnebagoes, six thousand two hundred dollars.

For this sum, in addition to the appropriation per act of eighteen hundred and thirty-five, for the expenses of treating with the Comanches and other wild tribes of the Western tribes, eight hundred and seventy-eight dollars and fifty-five cents: Provided, That no part of the money appropriated by this act, shall be applied to the payment of any salary or other compensation to, or on account of, any officer or office, unless the same has been created by law or treaties, or is specifically provided for in the appropriations in this act: Provided, further, that the commissioners appointed to negotiate treaties with the Indian tribes shall not be allowed more than ten cents per mile for travelling on the most direct route to and from his residence to the place of making the treaties, and eight dollars per day while engaged in making said treaties.

Approved, July 17, 1842.

CHAP. LXI.—An Act to regulate the value to be affixed to the pound sterling by the Treasury Department. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all payments by or to the Treasury, whether made here or in foreign countries, where it becomes necessary to compute the value of the pound sterling, it shall be deemed equal to four dollars and eighty-four cents, and the same rule shall be applied in appraising merchandise imported where the value is by the invoice in pounds sterling.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with these provisions, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved, July 27, 1842.

CHAP. LXII.—An Act making an appropriation for the repair of the custom-house in Providence.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to cause the custom-house at the port of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, to be repaired, at an expense not exceeding one thousand dollars; and that the sum of one thousand dollars, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, is hereby appropriated therefor.

Approved, July 27, 1842.

CHAP. LXIII.—An Act to amend "An act for altering the time of holding the district court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania at Williamsport," approved May eighth, eighteen hundred and forty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the October term of the district court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania, which is now directed to be held at Williamsport, in Lycoming county, on the third Monday of October in each year, shall hereafter commence and be held on the first Monday of October in each and every year; and all process, pleadings, motions, suits, and business heretofore begun, pending and undetermined, or which may hereafter be commenced or instituted, prior to the next October term, shall be held returnable and be returned to the first Monday of October next.

Approved, July 27, 1842.

(a) Notes of the acts which have been passed relative to foreign coins, vol. 2, 374.
Chap. LXIX.—An Act to provide for satisfying claims for bounty lands, for military services in the late war with Great Britain, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases of warrants for bounty lands for military services in the war of eighteen hundred and twelve with Great Britain, which remain unsatisfied at the date of this act, it shall be lawful for the person in whose name such warrant shall have issued, his heirs or legal representatives, to enter at the proper land office in any of the States or Territories in which the same may lie, the quantity of the public lands subject to private entry to which said person shall be entitled in virtue of such warrant in quarter sections: Provided, Such warrants shall be located within five years from the date of this act.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the terms prescribed for the issuing of warrants by the Secretary of the Department of War, under the act entitled, “An act to allow further time to complete the issuing and locating of military land warrants during the late war,” and under the act entitled “An act to extend the time of issuing military land warrants to the officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary army,” both of which acts were approved January twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, be, and the same are hereby, respectively, renewed and continued in force for the term of five years from and after the date of this act; and all cases which shall not, within the time aforesaid, be finally disposed of, shall be thereafter for ever barred from the benefits of all claim to bounty land for services performed within the spirit and meaning of said acts: Provided, That warrants issued under the provisions of this section may be located as is provided for warrants under the first section of this act: And provided further, That the certificate of location obtained under the provisions of this act, shall not be assignable, but the patent shall in all cases issue in the name of the person originally entitled to the bounty land, or to his heirs or legal representatives.

Approved, July 27, 1842.

Chap. LXXXII.—An Act to extend the jurisdiction of the corporation of Georgetown.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the jurisdiction of the corporation of Georgetown is hereby extended so as to include the bridge lately constructed by the said corporation across the river Potomac, at the Little Falls, and the site of said bridge and premises appertaining to said site; and that, as often and as long as said bridge shall hereafter, from any cause, be impassable, it shall and may be lawful for the proprietors of land on both sides of the said river, through which the ferry road to connect with the Falls Bridge turnpike must necessarily pass, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to establish and keep a ferry, at any rate of ferriage not exceeding the tolls which the Georgetown Bridge Company were heretofore authorized to charge on their bridge.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That said Corporation of Georgetown, in addition to its present chartered powers, shall have full power and authority to provide for licensing, taxing, and regulating, within its corporate limits, all traders, retailers, pawnbrokers, and to tax vendors of lottery tickets, money changers, hawkers and peddlers.

Approved, July 27, 1842.
Statute II.

July 27, 1842.

Chap. XCVI.—An Act to provide for erecting and lighting lamps on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, to be expended, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, in erecting and lighting lamps on Pennsylvania avenue, between the Capitol and the President's square.

Approved, July 27, 1842.

Statute II.

July 27, 1842.

Chap. CVI.—An Act in relation to marriages within the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the ministers of the gospel, or clergy, who at any time may be legally authorized to unite persons in the bands of wedlock, or to join them together as man and wife, either in the county of Washington or the county of Alexandria, shall be, and are hereby, authorized to do so in any place within the District of Columbia.

Approved, July 27, 1842.

Statute II.

July 30, 1842.

Chap. CVII.—An Act to provide for the permanent employment in the Post Office Department of certain clerks heretofore for several years temporarily employed in that Department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ in the Post Office Department, a topographer, at a salary of sixteen hundred dollars; and eight additional clerks, whose annual compensation shall be as follows: three clerks at fourteen hundred dollars each, four clerks at one thousand two hundred dollars each, and one clerk at one thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the arrears of pay due to said clerks from the first day of January last, at the rates aforesaid, and their regular salaries for the residue of the current year, be regularly paid to them by the proper officer of the Department, and for this purpose the sum of eleven thousand six hundred dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That eleven additional clerks heretofore temporarily employed in the office of the Auditor for the Post Office Department under the provisions of the acts of Congress of the third of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and the seventh of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, shall be permanently added to the force in that office, at the rates of compensation heretofore allowed for their services respectively, and the sum of thirteen thousand two hundred dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of their salaries for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two.

Approved, July 30, 1842.

Statute II.

Aug. 1, 1842.

Chap. CVIII.—An Act to regulate arrests on mesne process in the District of Columbia. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter no person

(a) See act supplementary to an act entitled "An act to regulate arrests on mesne process in the District of Columbia," approved August 1, 1842; June 17, 1844, chap. 100.
shall be held to bail in any civil suit in the District of Columbia, unless on affidavit, filed by the plaintiff or his agent, stating in cases of debt or contract the amount which he verily believes to be due, and that the same has been contracted by fraud or false pretences, or through a breach of trust, or that the defendant is concealing or has concealed his property in the District or elsewhere, or is about to remove the same from this District or the place of his residence, in order to evade the payment of the debt, or that, being a resident of the District and domiciled therein, is about to abscond without paying the debt, and with a view to avoid the payment of the same, setting forth all the facts on which said allegations of fraud or breach of trust are founded, and in all cases setting forth the grounds, nature, and particulars of the claim. The sufficiency of the affidavit to hold to bail, and the amount of bail to be given, shall, upon application of the defendant, be decided by the court in term time, and by any single judge in vacation. In all cases in which the affidavit required by this act is not filed previously to issuing the writ, the defendant, upon its service, shall not be required to give bail, but merely to sign an order to the clerk of the court to enter his appearance in the cause, which, if he refuses to do, he may then be held to bail as in other cases.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That any person now held to bail in a civil suit in the said District may apply to the Circuit Court of the said District in term time, or to any judge thereof in vacation, for a rule to show cause why he shall not be discharged on filing a common appearance, and shall be so discharged unless the plaintiff or his agent shall file a sufficient affidavit, in conformity with the provisions of the preceding section, within a reasonable period of time, to be assigned by the court or the judge to whom the application is made.

Approved, August 1, 1842.

CHAP. CIX.—An Act to extend the provisions of an act entitled “An act to regulate processes in the courts of the United States,” passed the nineteenth May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of an act entitled, “An act to regulate processes in the courts of the United States,” passed the nineteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, shall be, and they are hereby, made applicable to such States as have been admitted into the Union since the date of said act.

Approved, August 1, 1842.

CHAP. CXX.—An Act to constitute the ports of Stonington, Mystic river, and Pawcatuck river, a collection district.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the town of Stonington, in the county of New London, State of Connecticut, shall be a collection district, from and after the thirtieth day of June next; and that the port of Stonington, aforesaid, shall be, and hereby is, made a port of entry.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the district of Stonington shall comprehend all the waters, shores, bays, and harbors, from the west line of Mystic river, including the villages of Portersville and Noank, in the town of Groton, State of Connecticut, to the east line of Pawcatuck river, including the town of Westerly, State of Rhode Island, any thing in any former law to the contrary notwithstanding.

(a) See notes of the decisions of the courts of the United States on the subject of process, vol. 1, 93, and notes to the act of May 19, 1828, chap. 68, vol. 4, 278.
Office of surveyor abolished.

A collector to be appointed—his salary and duties.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the thirtieth day of July present, the office of surveyor of the port of Stonington, aforesaid, be, and the same is hereby, abolished; and a collector for the aforesaid district shall be appointed, to reside at the port of Stonington, who, in addition to his other emoluments, shall be entitled to receive the salary now allowed by law to the surveyor, aforesaid, and no more; and said collector shall also perform the duties heretofore enjoined on the surveyor.

APPROVED, August 3, 1842.

CHAP. CXXI.—An act making appropriations for the naval service for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be appropriated, in addition to the unexpended balances of former appropriations, out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, for the naval service for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, viz:

No. 1. For pay of commission, warrant and petty officers and seamen, two million three hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars: Provided, That till otherwise ordered by Congress, the officers of the navy shall not be increased beyond the number in the respective grades that were in the service on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-two, nor shall there be any further appointment of midshipmen until the number in the service be reduced to the number that were in service on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-one, beyond which they shall not be increased until the further order of Congress.

No. 2. For pay of superintendents, naval constructors, and all the civil establishments at the several yards, seventy-eight thousand four hundred and twenty dollars.

No. 3. For provisions, seven hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

No. 4. For medicines and surgical instruments, hospital stores and other expenses on account of the sick, thirty thousand dollars.

No. 5. For increase, repair, armament, and equipment of the navy, and wear and tear of vessels in commission, two million dollars.

No. 6. For ordnance and ordnance stores on the Northern lakes, fifty-nine thousand and ninety-seven dollars.

No. 7. For improvement and necessary repairs of the navy yard at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, forty-seven thousand four hundred and twenty-five dollars.

No. 8. For improvement and necessary repairs of the navy yard at Charlestown, Massachusetts, twenty-nine thousand dollars.

No. 9. For improvement and necessary repairs of the navy yard at Brooklyn, New York, one hundred and twenty-nine thousand one hundred dollars: Provided, That no part of this or any former appropriation to that object shall be applied to the construction of a dry dock at Brooklyn, except in payment for materials previously contracted for and yet to be delivered, until a suitable place shall be selected in the harbor of New York, and the title to land obtained, and a plan and estimate of the cost made, under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, and approved by him and the President: And provided, also, That the Secretary of the Navy may, in his discretion, apply the sum of one hundred thousand dollars of the amount hereby appropriated, and any balance of former appropriations for the construction of a dry dock at Brooklyn, New York, to the construction of a floating dock at the same place; and if any part of this appropriation shall be expended upon the construction of a floating dock, as hereby authorized, the construction of the dry dock shall be suspended until the further order of Congress.
No. 10. For improvement and necessary repairs of the navy yard at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, one thousand six hundred dollars.

No. 11. For improvement and necessary repairs of the navy yard at Washington, District of Columbia, fifteen thousand three hundred dollars.

No. 12. For improvement and necessary repairs of the navy yard at Gosport, Virginia, fifty-six thousand eight hundred dollars.

No. 13. For improvement and necessary repairs of the navy yard near Pensacola, Florida, and for a naval constructor at said place, thirty-five thousand three hundred dollars.

No. 14. For necessary repairs of the hospital building and its dependencies at Charlestown, Massachusetts, three thousand nine hundred and sixty dollars.

No. 15. For finishing coppering the roof of the hospital building at Brooklyn, New York, fifteen hundred dollars.

No. 16. For necessary repairs of the hospital building and its dependencies at Norfolk, Virginia, thirteen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 17. For building an ice-house and privies at the hospital at Pensacola, Florida, two thousand dollars.

No. 18. For necessary repairs of the Philadelphia naval Asylum, one thousand three hundred dollars.

No. 19. For defraying the expenses that may accrue for the following purposes, viz: For freight and transportation of materials and stores of every description; for wharfage and dockage; storage and rent; traveling expenses of officers, and transportation of seamen; house rent to purers, when duly authorized; for funeral expenses; for commissions, clerk hire, office rent, stationery, and fuel to navy agents; for premiums and incidental expenses of recruiting; for apprehending deserters; for compensation to judge advocates; for per diem allowance to persons attending courts martial and courts of inquiry, or other services authorized by law; for printing and stationery of every description, and for working the lithographic press; for books, maps, charts, mathematical and nautical instruments, chronometers, models, and drawings; for the purchase and repair of fire engines and machinery; for the repair of steam engines in navy yards; for the purchase and maintenance of oxen and horses; for carts, timber wheels, and workmen's tools of every description; for postage of letters on public service; for pilotage and towing ships of war; for taxes and assessments on public property; for assistance rendered to vessels in distress; for incidental labor at navy yards, not applicable to any other appropriation; for coal and other fuel, and for candles and oil for the use of navy yards and shore stations, and for no other object or purpose whatever, four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

No. 20. For contingent expenses for objects not hereinbefore enumerated, three thousand dollars.

No. 21. For the charter of steamers Splendid and Clarion, in September and October, eighteen hundred and forty-one, for the survey of Nantucket Shoal, four thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars and thirty-nine cents.

No. 22. For carrying into effect the acts for the suppression of the slave trade, including the support of recaptured Africans, and their removal to Africa, under authority of said acts, including an unexpended balance of former appropriations carried to the surplus fund, ten thousand five hundred and forty-three dollars and forty-two cents.

No. 23. For the transportation, arrangement, and preservation, of articles brought and to be brought by the exploring expedition, twenty thousand dollars, if so much be necessary.

Marine Corps.—No. 24. For pay of officers, non-commissioned offi-
Pay and subsistence.

Provisions.

Clothing.

Fuel.

Barracks.

Transportation.

Medicines, &c.

Military stores, &c.

Contingent expenses.

STATUTE II.

Aug. 4, 1842.

Chap. CXXII.—An act to provide for the armed occupation and settlement of the unsettled part of the peninsula of East Florida. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any person, being the head of a family, or single man over eighteen years of age, able to bear arms, who has made, or shall, within one year from and after the passage of this act, make an actual settlement within that part of Florida situated and being south of the line dividing townships numbers nine and ten south, and east of the base line, shall be entitled to one quarter section of said land, on the following conditions:

First. That said settler shall obtain from the register of the land office, in the district in which he proposes to settle, a permit describing as particularly as may be practicable, the place where his or her settlement is intended to be made: Provided, That no person who shall be a resident of Florida at the time of the passage of this act, who shall be the owner of one hundred and sixty acres of land, at the time he proposes to settle, shall be entitled to a permit from the register.

Second. That said settler shall reside in the Territory of Florida, south of said township line, for five consecutive years, and to take his grant on any public land south of that township.

Third. That said settler shall erect thereon a house fit for the habitation of man, and shall clear, enclose, and cultivate at least five acres of said land, and reside thereon for the space of four years next follow-

(a) An act to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the armed occupation and settlement of the unsettled part of the peninsula of East Florida," June 15, 1844, chap. 719
ing the first year after the date of his permit, if he or she shall so long

**Fourth.** That such settler shall, within one year after the survey of
said lands, and the opening of the proper office for the entry and sale
of the same by the United States, prove, before such tribunal and in
such manner and form as shall be prescribed by the Commissioner of
the General Land Office, with the approval of the President, the fact
that the settlement has been commenced, and the particular quarter sec-
ton upon which it is located; and, also, that such settler shall, within
six months after the expiration of five years from the date of his permit,
prove, in like manner, the fact of continued residence and cultivation,
as required in the second and third conditions herein above prescribed;
whereupon and not until then, a patent shall issue to said settler, for
such quarter section.

Sec. 2. **And be it further enacted,** That in the case of the settle-
ment of the same quarter section by two or more settlers, the right to
the location shall be determined by priority of settlement, to be ascer-
tained under such rules as the Commissioner of the General Land Office,
with the approval of the President, may prescribe; and the subsequent
settler or settlers shall be permitted to locate the quantity he, she, or
they may be entitled to elsewhere within the same township, upon vac-
cant public lands.

Sec. 3. **And be it further enacted,** That no right or donation shall
be acquired under this act within two miles of any permanent military
post of the United States, established and garrisoned at the time such
settlement and residence was commenced.

Sec. 4. **And be it further enacted,** That all sales, gifts, devises, agree-
ments, bonds, or powers to sell, transfers, or liens, whatsoever, private
or judicial, of the lands, or any portion thereof, acquired by this act,
made at any time before patents shall have issued for the same, shall be
utterly void and without effect, to every intent and purpose, whether in
law or equity; and the purchaser or obligee, under any such sale, agree-
ment, bond, or power to sell, transfer, or lien, shall not be entitled to
recover back the price or consideration paid therefor, but shall forfeit
the same absolutely to such settler or his heirs.

Sec. 5. **And be it further enacted,** That upon the death of any
settler before the end of the five years, or before the issuing of the pa-
tent, all his rights under this act shall descend to his widow and heirs
at law, if he leaves a widow, and to his heirs at law, if he leaves none,
to be held and divided by them according to the laws of Florida, any
previous sale or transfer of the same or of any interest, legal or equita-
ble, in the same, to the contrary notwithstanding. And proof of his
compliance with the conditions of this act, up to the time of his death,
shall be sufficient to entitle them to the patent.

Sec. 6. **And be it further enacted,** That where any settlement, by
the erection of a dwelling, or the cultivation of any portion thereof,
shall be made upon the sixteenth section, before the same shall be sur-
veyed, and in that case other lands shall be selected by the school
commissioners of the township, in lieu of said section sixteen, or such
part thereof as may be claimed under this act.

Sec. 7. **And be it further enacted,** That not exceeding two hundred
thousand acres of land shall be taken for settlement under this act.

Sec. 8. **And be it further enacted,** That the President of the United
States may, at any time, by proclamation, suspend all further permits
and settlements under this act, by giving three months' notice thereof.

Sec. 9. **And be it further enacted,** That the Commissioner of the
General Land Office shall, on or before the first day of February,
eighteen hundred and forty-four, report to Congress the names of every
individual who shall have made the actual settlement required by the

**Settlements, &c. how to be proved.**

In case of set-
tlement by two
or more, the
right to be de-
termined by
priority.

Settlements
not to be made
within 2 miles
of a permanent
military post.

Sales, &c. of
land acquired
by this act, be-
fore the patents
have issued, void.

On the death
of a settler, his
rights descend
to his widow,
&c.

In case of set-
tlement before
survey on a 16th
section, other
school lands to
be selected.

Land for set-
tlement limited.

President may
suspend the set-
tlement.

Names of set-
tlers, &c. to be
reported to Con-
gress.
TWENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS. Sess. II. Ch. 123, 126, 127. 1842.

first section of this act, specifying the heads of families, and the single men, and the location of each quarter section occupied by each of said settlers.

Approved, August 4, 1842.

Chap. CXXIII.—An Act to regulate appeals and writs of error from the district court of the United States for the northern district of Alabama. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all appeals and writs of error from the district court of the United States for the northern district of Alabama, at Huntsville, shall lie directly to the Supreme Court of the United States, when the amount in controversy exceeds the sum of two thousand dollars, exclusive of costs; and that so much of the act to abolish the circuit court at Huntsville, in the State of Alabama, and for other purposes, as requires all appeals and writs of error to lie from said district court to the circuit court at Mobile, without regard to the amount in controversy, be repealed.

Approved, August 4, 1842.

Chap. CXXVI.—An Act to annex a part of the town of Tiverton in the State of Rhode Island, to the collection district of Fall River in the State of Massachusetts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all that part of the town of Tiverton, in the State of Rhode Island, which lies north of the south line of the farm of William Slade, and of the farm of the heirs of Boylston Brayton, to Wattupper Pond, and by said pond to the south line of the State of Massachusetts, and the waters and shores adjoining thereto, be, and the same is hereby, annexed to, and made a part of the collection district of Fall river in the State of Massachusetts.

Approved, August 9, 1842.

Chap. CXXVII.—An Act to provide for the settlement of the claims of the State of Georgia for the services of her militia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to the payment and indemnity of the State of Georgia, for any money actually paid by said State on account of necessary and proper expenses incurred by said State in calling out her militia, in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-five, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, during the Seminole, Cherokee, and Creek campaigns, or for the suppression of Indian hostilities in Florida and Alabama, or so much of said sum as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid, after deducting any sum or sums of money that may have heretofore been advanced by the United States to the State of Georgia, to be applied to the objects aforesaid, and which may not have been previously, so applied.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Paymaster General of the United States army and the accounting officers of the Treasury shall first ascertain and certify what would have been due from the United States to the volunteers and militia called into the service of the said

(a) Notes of the acts relating to the District Court of Alabama, vol. 3, 564.
An act respecting the jurisdiction of certain District Courts, Feb. 19, 1831, chap. 28.
An act to abolish the Circuit Court at Huntsville, in the State of Alabama, and for other purposes Feb. 22, 1839, ch. 12.
State of Georgia, or by her proper authorities, during the time and for the purposes mentioned in the preceding section, if said volunteers and militia had been duly called into the service of the United States, and regularly received and mustered by officers of the United States army, according to the laws and regulations which have governed in the payment of the volunteers and militia of other States: Provided, That the accounts of the agent or other officer of the State of Georgia, employed or authorized to make payments for the aforesaid services, or any of them, be submitted to the Paymaster General and the accounting officers, for their inspection: And provided, also, That no reimbursement shall be made on account of the payment of any volunteers or militia who refused to be received and mustered into the service of the United States, or to serve under officers of the United States army, if any may have been ordered to that service by the President of the United States or other proper authority.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

CHAP. CXXVIII.—An Act to settle the title to certain tracts of land in the State of Arkansas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That each and every owner of a Spanish or French land claim, in the State of Arkansas, which was submitted for adjudication to the superior court of the late Territory of Arkansas, and by that court confirmed, being subsequent purchasers for a valuable consideration, is hereby authorized, within twelve months from the passage of this act, to enter, respectively, the land covered by the said claim, at the minimum price, under such regulations as the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall prescribe: Provided, That no such entry shall be made, except of lands mentioned and described in the original claim, or of such tracts as have been located in pursuance of the act of the twenty-sixth of May, eighteen hundred and twenty-four, entitled "An act enabling the claimants to lands within the limits of the State of Missouri and Territory of Arkansas to institute proceedings to try the validity of their claims," or any act reviving the same; nor unless the owner of the claim shall make and subscribe an oath, before the register or receiver of the land office of the district in which the lands lie, which oath such register or receiver is hereby authorized to administer, that at the time he became the owner of the claim he had no notice or knowledge that the claim was fraudulent, or that the same rested upon any forged warrant, grant, order of survey, or other evidence of title. And, for every entry made under the provisions of this act, a patent shall issue, as though no Spanish or French claim had ever been entered upon said land.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

CHAP. CXXIX.—An Act regulating the services of the several judges in the Territory of Iowa. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That until otherwise ordered by law of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Iowa, the judges for said Territory lately appointed shall be, and they are hereby, assigned to the same districts to which the same judges respectively, were heretofore assigned by the laws of the said Legislative assembly of the Territory of Iowa.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

(a) Notes of the acts relating to Iowa; act of June 12, 1833, chap. 96.
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STATUTE II.
Aug. 11, 1842.

Clerk of the court may appoint a deputy; his powers.

Deputy to take an oath. Clerk responsible for acts of his deputy.

STATUTE II.
Aug. 16, 1842.

Act of Aug. 3, 1842, ch. 120.

The act to take effect from and after 3d August 1842.  
1842, ch. 120.

STATUTE II.
Aug. 16, 1842.

Secretary of War to audit and adjust the claims of Alabama, how.

Sum found due to be paid.

Proviso.

CHAP. CXXX. — An Act in relation to the district court for the northern district of New York. (b)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the clerk of the district court for the northern district of New York, to appoint a deputy, who, in his absence, may exercise all the official powers of the said clerk, at the village of Auburn, in the county of Cayuga, in the said district. And such deputy, before he enters on the discharge of his duties, shall take the usual oath for the faithful performance of his duties as such deputy. And nothing herein contained shall be held to excuse or release the said clerk from legal responsibility for acts performed by his said deputy, in behalf of said clerk in the office aforesaid.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

CHAP. CLXXVII. — An Act explanatory of an act entitled "An act to constitute the ports of Stonington, Mystic river, and Pawcatuck river, a collection district."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of the act entitled "An act to constitute the ports of Stonington, Mystic river, and Pawcatuck river, a collection district," shall be construed in the same manner it would have been had the words "from and after the thirtieth day of June next" been wholly omitted in said section.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the aforesaid act, entitled "An act to constitute the ports of Stonington, Mystic river, and Pawcatuck river, a collection district," approved August third, eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall take effect in all its provisions, and be in force as hereby explained, from and after the said third day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

CHAP. CLXXVIII. — An Act authorizing the settlement and payment of certain claims of the State of Alabama.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and hereby is, directed to audit and adjust the claims of the State of Alabama, under such laws and regulations as have heretofore governed the Department in auditing and allowing the claims of the States on the United States, for moneys advanced and paid by said State for subsistence, supplies, and services of local troops called into service by and under the authorities of said State, but not mustered into the service of the United States, and for provisions and forage furnished the friendly Indians during the Creek and Seminole hostilities, in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-six and eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, in all cases in which the payment was for subsistence, supplies, services, provisions, and forage, which would have been paid for under existing laws and regulations, if such troops had been mustered into the service of the United States, and the provisions and forage had been furnished by an agent of the United States; and that the sum so found due to said State be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: Provided, That, in auditing and adjusting said claims, duly authenticated copies of papers which have been lost or destroyed, upon due proof of such loss or destruction, shall be received as evidence.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War be,

(b) Notes to the acts relating to the times of holding the District Court in the northern district of New York, vol. 3, 414.
and he hereby is, required to report to the House of Representatives a
schedule of such claims as may be presented for adjustment under this
act, and not allowed, with the reasons for such disallowance, at the next
session of Congress.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

CHAP. CLXXIX.—An Act to change the name of the port of entry on Lake Erie,
known as Portland, to that of Sandusky.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after
the first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and forty-two, the port of Portland on Lake Erie, in the dis-
trict of Sandusky, in the State of Ohio, shall be called the port of San-
dusky.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

CHAP. CLXXX.—An Act to amend the act entitled "An act supplementary
of the United States, to the act entitled "An act to amend the judicial
system of the United States."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the fourth circuit shall
be composed of the districts of Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia;
the fifth circuit shall be composed of the districts of Alabama and
Louisiana;
the sixth circuit shall be composed of the districts of North Caro-
line, South Carolina, and Georgia.
The circuit courts in the district of Virginia shall be holden at Rich-
mond on the first Monday in May and on the fourth Monday in No-
vember.
The circuit courts in the district of North Carolina shall be holden
on the fourth Monday of May and second Monday in December.
This act shall not take effect until the first day of February next, be-
fore which time the justices of the Supreme Court of the United States,
or a majority of them, shall allot the several districts among the Justices
of the said Court.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That when the time of holding
any court, by this act has been changed, all processes, proceedings, and
causes shall be returned and held to be continued to the said courts, at
the times herein provided for their meeting, respectively.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

CHAP. CLXXXI.—An Act requiring foreign regulations of commerce to be laid
annually before Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Uni-
ted States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty
of the Secretary of State to lay before Congress, annually, at the com-
 mencement of its session, in a compendious form, all such changes and
modifications in the commercial systems of other nations, whether by
treaties, duties on imports and exports, or other regulations, as shall
have come to the knowledge of the Department.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

CHAP. CLXXXII.—An Act to grant pre-emption rights to settlers on the "Dubuque
claim" so called, in the Territory of Iowa.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the lands lying in the

(a) Notes of acts relating to the territory of Iowa; act of June 19, 1838, chap. 96.
Certain lands reserved for the Dubuque claim, declared to be public lands.

Settlers, &c. may enter said lands. 1834, ch. 54. 1838, ch. 119. 1840, ch. 32. 1841, ch. 16.

Preference to settlers under the earliest law.  
Proviso.

Proviso.

CHAP. CLXXXIII.—An Act making appropriations for the support of the army, and of the military academy, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

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 hereby are, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the army for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

No. 1. For the pay of the army, one million four hundred and seventy-seven thousand seven hundred dollars.

Pay.

No. 2. For commutation of officers' subsistence, five hundred and twenty-seven thousand two hundred and sixty-four dollars.

No. 3. For commutation of forage of officers' horses, one hundred and sixteen thousand nine hundred and seventy-one dollars.

No. 4. For commutation of clothing of officers' servants, thirty thousand two hundred and forty dollars.

For commutation of clothing not drawn in kind by the troops, fifty thousand two hundred and forty dollars.

No. 5. For expenses of recruiting, fifteen thousand seven hundred and nine dollars and thirty-six cents.

For clothing of the army, camp and garrison equipage, cooking utensils, and hospital furniture, thirty hundred and seventy-four thousand eight hundred and seventy-six dollars and eighty cents.

No. 7. For subsistence in kind, exclusive of that of officers, seven hundred and sixty-nine thousand six hundred and sixty-eight dollars.

No. 8. For the regular supplies furnished by the Quartermaster's department, consisting of fuel, forage, straw, stationery, and printing, three hundred and sixteen thousand dollars.

No. 9. For barracks, quarters, and storehouses, embracing the repairs and enlargement of barracks, quarters, storehouses, and hospitals; the erection of temporary cantonments and of gun-houses for the protection of cannon; the purchase of tools and materials and of furniture for the barrack rooms; rent of quarters for officers, of barracks for troops, where there are no public buildings for their accommodation, of storehouses for the safe-keeping of subsistence, clothing, and other military
supplies, and of grounds for summer cantonments and encampments for military practice, one hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars.

No. 10. For the incidental expenses of the Quartermaster's department, consisting of postage on public letters and packets, expenses of courts martial and courts of inquiry, including the additional compensation to judge advocates, members, and witnesses; extra pay to soldiers under the act of March second, eighteen hundred and nineteen; expenses of expresses and of the interment of non-commissioned officers and soldiers; hire of laborers, compensation of clerks in the offices of the quartermasters and assistant quartermasters, at posts where their duties cannot be performed without such aid, and of temporary agents in charge of dismantled works; and to such wagon and forage masters as it may be necessary to employ under the act of the fifth of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight; expenditures necessary to keep the regiments of dragoons and the four companies of light artillery complete, including the purchase of horses to supply the place of those which may be lost and become unfit for the service, and the erection of stables, one hundred and twenty-seven thousand dollars.

No. 11. For transportation of officers' baggage, when travelling on duty without troops, sixty-five thousand dollars.

No. 12. For transportation of troops and supplies, viz: transportation of the army and baggage, freight and ferriages, purchase or hire of horses, mules, oxen, carts, wagons, and boats, for purposes of transportation or garrison use; drayage and cartage; hire of teamsters; transportation of funds for the pay department; expense of transport vessels, and of procuring water at such posts as from their situation require it; transportation of clothing from the depot at Philadelphia to the stations of the troops; of subsistence from the places of purchase and delivery, under contracts, to such places as the circumstances of the service may require; of ordnance, ordnance stores, and small arms, from the foundries and armories, to the arsenals, fortifications, and frontier posts, two hundred and forty-two thousand dollars.

No. 13. For the contingencies of the army, nine thousand dollars.

No. 14. For the medical and hospital department, twenty-eight thousand dollars.

For extending and rendering more complete the meteorological observations conducted at the military posts of the United States, under the direction of the Surgeon General, three thousand dollars.

No. 15. For the current expenses of the ordnance service, one hundred thousand dollars.

No. 16. For the armament of fortifications, including compensation of a special agent to attend at the foundries employed in making cannon, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

No. 17. For ordnance and ordnance stores and supplies, one hundred thousand dollars.

No. 18. For the manufacture of arms at the national armories, three hundred and sixty thousand dollars; of which sum, ten thousand dollars may, at the discretion of the Secretary of War, be applied to the purchase of arms.

No. 19. For repairs and improvements and new machinery at Springfield armory, twenty thousand dollars.

No. 20. For repairs and improvements and new machinery at Harper's Ferry armory, thirty thousand dollars.

No. 21. For arsenals, one hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

No. 22. For purchase of saltpetre and brimstone, forty thousand dollars.

For expense of preparing drawings of a uniform system of artillery, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 23. For preventing and suppressing hostilities in Florida, to be
expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, viz: for forage for the horses of the mounted volunteers and militia, and for the horses, mules, and oxen, in the service of the trains; for freight or transportation of military supplies of every description, from the places of purchase to Florida; for the purchase of wagons, harness, boats, and lighters, and other vessels; of horses, mules, and oxen, to keep up the trains; tools, leather, and other materials for repairs; transportation within Florida, including the hire of steamboats and other vessels, for service in the rivers and on the coast, and the expenses of maintaining the several steamboats and transport schooners connected with the operations of the army; hire of mechanics, laborers, mule drivers, teamsters, and other assistants, including their subsistence; and for miscellaneous and contingent charges, including arrearages, five hundred thousand dollars: Provided, That no more than one hundred and forty-six thousand two hundred and ninety-six dollars and seventy-three cents shall be applied to the payment of arrearages; and no such arrearages shall be paid, unless they are for services rendered or supplies furnished in pursuance of law.

For military surveys for the defence of the frontier, inland and Atlantic, fifteen thousand dollars.

For arrearages and for the preservation of the public property at the several places of harbor and river improvement, fifteen thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That no officer in any branch of the public service, or any other person whose salary, pay, or emoluments, is or are fixed by law or regulations, shall receive any additional pay, extra allowance, or compensation, in any form whatever, for the disbursement of public money, or for any other service or duty whatsoever, unless the same shall be authorized by law, and the appropriation therefor explicitly set forth that it is for such additional pay, extra allowance, or compensation.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the military academy for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, viz:

No. 1. For pay of officers, instructors, cadets, and musicians, sixty thousand five hundred and twenty-four dollars.

No. 2. For commutation of subsistence of officers and cadets, forty thousand and seventy-seven dollars.

No. 3. For commutation of forage of officers' horses, five thousand one hundred and eighty-four dollars.

No. 4. For commutation of clothing of officers' servants, four hundred and twenty dollars.

No. 5. For defraying expenses of the board of visitors, and for the other various current and ordinary expenses of the academy, other than pay and subsistence, twenty-six thousand four hundred and thirty-six dollars.

No. 6. For increase and expense of library, one thousand dollars.

For building and repairing the necessary boats, and for carrying on the improvements on the Missouri, Mississippi, Ohio, and Arkansas rivers, one hundred thousand dollars, under the direction of the Secretary of War; and, for the preservation and repairs of public works heretofore constructed for the improvement of harbors, thirty thousand dollars.

APPROVED, August 23, 1842.
Chap. LXXXIV.—An Act to establish an auxiliary watch for the protection of public and private property in the city of Washington.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be established an auxiliary guard or watch for the protection of public and private property against incendiaries, and for the enforcement of the police regulations of the city of Washington, consisting of a captain, to be appointed by the Mayor of the said city, at an annual salary of one thousand dollars; and fifteen other persons, to be employed by the captain, five of whom shall receive a compensation of thirty-five dollars per month, and the remaining ten, a compensation of thirty dollars per month.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said auxiliary guard shall occupy, as a rendezvous, such building or part of a building belonging to the United States, or furnished by the corporation of Washington, as shall be directed by the President of the United States, and shall be subject to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by a board to consist of the mayor of the city of Washington, the attorney of the United States for the District of Columbia, and the attorney of the corporation of the said city of Washington, with the approbation of the President of the United States.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That, for the compensation of said auxiliary guard, and for the purchase of the necessary and proper implements to distinguish them in the discharge of their duties, the sum of seven thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

Chap. CLXXXV.—An Act to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of horses, or other property, lost or destroyed in the military service of the United States," approved the eighteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the above recited act be so amended, as to embrace the claims of any field, or staff, or other officer, mounted militiaman, volunteer, ranger, or cavalry, who has or shall sustain damage, without any fault or negligence on his part, while in the military service of the United States, by the loss of a horse, destroyed or abandoned by order of the commanding general or other commanding officer, or by the loss of a horse by his being shot, or otherwise lost or destroyed by unavoidable accident, without any fault or negligence of the owner, and when he was in the line of his duty, and for the loss of necessary equipage, in consequence of the loss of his horse, as aforesaid, shall be allowed and paid the value thereof at the time of entering the service.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in auditing and settling the claims provided for in this, and in the act which this is intended to amend, an appeal may be taken and prosecuted from the decision of the Auditor rejecting the claim, to the Second Comptroller of the Treasury, under the direction of the Secretary, whose decision shall be conclusive.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to make compensation for horses, bridles, saddles, and equipments, turned over to the service of the United States, under the act approved October fourteenth, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, whenever it shall be made to appear that the person to whom they were ordered to be delivered was acting as an officer, although there may be no returns in the De-
Evidence receivable.

Statute II.

Aug. 23, 1842.


Dragoons to be reduced. Repealed by act of April 4, 1814, ch. 11.

2d reg'n't dragoons converted into riflemen. Artillery to be reduced. Infantry to be reduced.

No enlistments to be made till after the reduction. Proviso.

Offices of superintendents of armories at Springfield and Harper's Ferry abolished. Relative to master armors, inspectors, clerks, &c.

1821, ch. 13.

Chap. CLXXXVI. — An act respecting the organization of the army, and for other purposes. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter, and so soon as the reduction can be effected as herein provided, each company of dragoons shall consist of the commissioned officers as now provided by law, and of four sergeants, four corporals, two buglers, one farrier and blacksmith, and fifty privates; and the second regiment of dragoons now in service shall be converted, after the fourth day of March next, into a regiment of riflemen; and each company of artillery shall consist of the commissioned officers as now provided by law, and of four sergeants, four corporals, two artificers, two musicians, and forty-two privates; and each company of infantry shall consist of the same number of commissioned officers as now provided, and of four sergeants, four corporals, two musicians, and forty-two privates; and that no recruits shall be enlisted for the dragoons, artillery, or infantry, until the numbers in the several companies shall be reduced by the expiration of the term of service, by discharge, or other causes, below the number herein fixed for the said companies respectively: Provided, That nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the re-enlistment of non-commissioned officers whose terms of service may expire before the army shall be reduced to the number heretofore established.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the offices of the superintendents of the armories at Springfield and at Harper's Ferry shall be, and the same are hereby abolished, and the duties thereof shall be performed by such officers of the ordnance corps as shall be designated by the President; and that from and after the first day of October next, the master armors, at the national armories, shall receive, each, twelve hundred dollars, annually, payable quarter yearly; and the inspectors and clerks, each, eight hundred dollars per annum; and the paymasters and military storekeepers, at the armories, and at the arsenals of construction at Pittsburg, Watervliet, and Washington city, shall receive, each, twelve hundred and fifty dollars annually, payable in like manner, and the said paymasters and military storekeepers, shall give security for the faithful discharge of their duties, in such sum as the Secretary of War shall prescribe. And the two military storekeepers, authorized by the act of second of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, shall receive, each, twelve hundred and fifty dollars per annum. And no military storekeeper, at arsenals, shall, after the first day of October next, receive, as pay, or emoluments, beyond eight hundred dollars per annum, besides quarters actually provided and occupied as such, and the number authorized to be thus employed is hereby limited to ten; and all other offices of military storekeepers are hereby abolished, and discontinued, on and after said first day of October, and the officers hereby dismissed, shall be allowed three months' pay in addition to the pay and emoluments to which they may be entitled on that day. And none of the above-named officers, and no officers at the armories, of any grade whatever, shall hereafter receive emoluments of any kind, or any compensation or commutation beyond their stipulated

pay, in money, except quarters actually provided for and occupied by such officers.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the office of Commissary General of Purchases, sometimes called Commissary of Purchases, shall be, and the same is hereby abolished, and the duties thereof shall hereafter be performed by the officers of the Quartermaster's department, with such of the officers and clerks now attached to the Purchasing department as shall be authorized by the Secretary of War, and under such regulations as shall be prescribed by the said Secretary, under the sanction of the President of the United States.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That, within one month after the passage of this act, the offices of one inspector general, of three paymasters, two surgeons, and ten assistant surgeons of the army shall be abolished, and that number of paymasters, surgeons and assistant surgeons, shall be discharged by the President, and they shall be allowed three months' pay, in addition to the pay and emoluments to which they may be entitled at the time of their discharge.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That a competent person may be employed by the Ordnance bureau, under the direction of the Secretary of War, for such time as may be necessary, to superintend the manufacture of iron cannon at the several foundries where such cannon may be made under contracts with the United States, whose pay and emoluments shall not exceed those of a major of ordnance during the time he shall be so employed, to be paid out of the appropriations for armament of fortifications; and for the services rendered in such superintendence since the first day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-one, under the authority of the War Department, the same compensation shall be allowed as herein provided.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That the rations authorized to be allowed to a brigadier while commander-in-chief, and to each officer while commanding a separate post, by the act of March third, seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, and to the commanding officers of each separate post, by the act of March sixteen, eighteen hundred and two, shall hereafter be allowed to the following officers and no others: to the major general commanding the army, and to every officer commanding in chief a separate army, actually in the field; to the generals commanding the eastern and western geographical divisions; to the colonels or other officers commanding military geographical departments; to the commandant of each permanent or fixed post, garrisoned with troops, including the superintendent of the military academy at West Point, who is regarded as the commandant of that post.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

Chap. CLXXXVII.—An Act to provide for the satisfaction of claims arising under the fourteenth and nineteenth articles of the treaty of Dancing Rabbit creek, concluded in September, one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act approved on the third of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, entitled "An act for the appointment of commissioners to adjust the claims to reservations of land under the fourteenth article of the treaty of eighteen hundred and thirty, with the Choctaw Indians: and also, the act approved on the twenty-second day of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act for the appointment of commissioners to adjust the claims to reservations of land under the fourteenth article of the treaty of eighteen hundred and thirty, with the Choctaw Indians,' so far as the same are not repealed or modified by this act," be, and the same are hereby, Acts of 2d March 1837, ch. 29, and 2d Feb. 1838, ch. 13, so far as so not repealed or modified by this act, revoked.

revived and continued in force until the powers conferred by this act shall be fully executed, subject, nevertheless, to repeal or modification by any act of Congress. And all the powers and duties of the commissioners are hereby extended to claims arising under the nineteenth article of the said treaty, and under the supplement to the said treaty, to be examined in the same manner and with the same effect as in cases arising under the fourteenth article of the said treaty: Provided, That the salary of said Commissioners shall not exceed the rate of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses before the said commissioners, and process to compel such attendance may be issued by the said commissioners, or any two of them, under their seals in the same manner and with the same effect as if issued by courts of record, and may be executed by the marshal of any district, or by any sheriff, deputy sheriff or other police officer designated by the said commissioners, who shall receive for such services the same fees as are allowed in the district court of the United States for the district in which the same shall be rendered for similar services, to be paid, on the certificate of the commissioners, out of the contingent fund appropriated by the fourth section of the act secondly above recited, which was approved on the twenty-second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and which is revived by this act: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to revive such portion of the act approved the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, referred to in the first section of this act, as provides for the employment and pay of the district attorney of either of the districts of the State of Mississippi.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That when the said commissioners shall have ascertained that any Choctaw has complied or offered to comply with all the requisites of the fourteenth article of the said treaty, to entitle him to any reservation under that article, which requisites are as follows, to wit: that said Choctaw Indian did signify his or her intention to the agent, in person, or by some person duly authorized and especially directed, by said Indian, to signify the intention of said Indian to become a citizen of the State, within six months from the date of the ratification of the said treaty, and had his or her name, within the time of six months aforesaid, enrolled on the register of the Indian agent aforesaid, for that purpose; or shall prove, to the entire satisfaction of the said commissioners and to the Secretary of War, that he or she did signify his or her intention, within the term of six months from the date of the ratification of the treaty aforesaid, if his or her name was not enrolled in the register of the agent aforesaid, but was omitted by said agent; and, secondly, that said Indian did, at the date of making said treaty, to wit, on the twenty-seventh day of September, eighteen hundred and thirty, have and own an improvement in the then Choctaw country; and that, having and owning an improvement, at the place and time aforesaid, did reside upon that identical improvement, or a part of it, for the term of five years continuously, next after the ratification of said treaty, to wit, from the twenty-fourth of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, to the twenty-fourth of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, unless it shall be made to appear that such improvement was, before the twenty-fourth day of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, disposed of by the United States, and that the reserve was dispossessed by means of such disposition; and, thirdly, that it shall be made to appear, to the entire satisfaction of said commissioners, and to the Secretary of War, that said Indian did not receive any other grant of land under the provisions of any other article of said treaty; and, fourthly, that it shall be made to appear, in like manner, that said Indian did not remove to the Choctaw country west of the Mississippi
river, but he or she had continued to reside within the limits of the country ceded by the Choctaw Indians to the United States, by said treaty of twenty-seventh September, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty, it shall be the duty of said commissioners, if all and each of the above requisites shall be made clearly to appear to their satisfaction, and the Secretary of War shall concur therein, to proceed to ascertain the quantity of land to which said Indian, by virtue of the fourteenth article of said treaty, is entitled to, which, when ascertained, shall be located for said Indian, according to sectional lines, so as to embrace the improvement, or a part of it, owned by said Indian at the date of said treaty; and it shall be the duty of the President of the United States to issue a patent to said Indian for said land, if he or she be living, and if not, to his or her heirs and legal representatives; and in like manner shall the commissioners aforesaid ascertain the quantity of land granted by said article to each child of said Indian, according to the limitations contained in said article, and locate said quantity, for said children, contiguous to and adjoining the improvement of the parent of such child or children; and the President shall issue a patent for each tract of land thus located, to said Indian child, if living, and if not, to the heirs and legal representatives of such Indian child. But if the United States shall have disposed of any tract of land, to which any Indian was entitled, under the provisions of said fourteenth article of said treaty, so that it is now impossible to give said Indian the quantity to which he was entitled, including his improvements, as aforesaid, or any part of it, or to his children, on the adjoining lands, the said commissioners shall thereupon estimate the quantity to which each Indian is entitled, and allow him or her, for the same, a quantity of land equal to that allowed, to be taken out of any of the public lands in the States of Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, and Arkansas, subject to entry at private sale; and certificates to that effect shall be delivered, under the direction of the Secretary of War, through such agent as he may select, not more than one half of which shall be delivered to said Indian until after his removal to the Choctaw territory west of the Mississippi river. The said commissioners shall also ascertain the Choctaws, if any, who relinquished or offered to relinquish any reservations to which he was entitled under the nineteenth article of the said treaty, or whose reservations under that article had been sold by the United States; and shall also determine the quantity to which such claimant was entitled; and the quantity of land which should be allowed him on extinguishment of such claim, at the rate of two fifths of an acre for every acre of the land to which said claimant was entitled, said land having been estimated under this article at fifty cents per acre: Provided, nevertheless, That no claim shall be considered or allowed by said commissioners, for or in the name or behalf of any Indian claimant whose name does not appear upon the lists or registers of claimants made by Major Armstrong, special agent for that purpose, in conjunction with the three chiefs of the three Choctaw districts, and returned to the Department of War in January, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and who does not appear from those registers to be entitled to a reservation under said nineteenth article.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the said commissioners, within two years from the time of their entering upon the duties of their offices, and as often as shall be required by the President of the United States, shall report to him their proceedings in the premises, with a full and perfect list of names of all the Choctaws whom they shall have determined to be entitled to reservations under this act; the quantity of land to which each shall be so entitled, the number of claims which can be located according to the provisions of the fourth section of this act, and such as cannot be located according to the provisions of the fourth
Powers, &c. of the commissioners, when to cease.

Commissioners to determine claims under the supplement to the treaty.

Upon approval by the Presid't, &c., certificates shall be delivered to claimant, if a Choctaw.

Proviso.

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Accounts to be kept of the certificates, &c. and amount retained from distribution to the States. Claims of white men with Indian families. Patents to be issued, how.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the commissioners to be appointed under this act shall also ascertain and determine the quantity of land to which any Choctaw or other person named in the supplement to the said treaty of Dancing Rabbit creek was entitled by virtue thereof, and which such person has by any means been prevented from receiving.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That if the President of the United States shall approve and confirm the determination of the commissioners heretofore appointed to investigate the claims existing under the fourteenth article of the said treaty of Dancing Rabbit creek, in any case, he shall cause to be delivered to the claimant, if he be a Choctaw Indian, his legal representatives or heirs, certificates, as provided by the fourth section of this act, for the quantity of land to which such claimant shall appear, by such determination, to have been entitled, in full satisfaction and discharge of such claim: Provided, Such determination was made by adhering, in every instance, to the requisites contained in the fourth section of this act: And provided, also, That said claims, nor either of them, cannot now be located, according to the provisions of the fourth section of this act.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That distinct accounts shall be kept of the certificates issued in satisfaction of the claims provided for by this act, and of all expenses attending the execution of the same; and the amount thereof shall be retained and withheld from any distribution to the States.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to authorize the said commissioners to adjudicate any claim which may be presented by a white man who may have had, or now has, an Indian wife or family; and any patent to land, which shall issue on any Indian claim, under the provisions of the treaty aforesaid, shall be issued to the Indian to whom the claim was allowed, if living, and if dead, to his or her heirs and legal representatives, any act of Congress, or usage, or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That no claim shall be allowed, under the fourteenth article of said treaty, if the said commissioners shall be satisfied, by such proof as they may prescribe, that said claim had been, previous to the expiration of five years from the ratification of said treaty, assigned, either in whole or in part; and in case of a partial assignment, or agreement for an assignment thereof, the same shall be allowed so far only as the original Indian claimant was, at that date, the bona fide proprietor thereof.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That all claims under either of the articles of said treaty mentioned above, or the supplemental articles thereof, which shall not be duly presented to said commissioners for allowance within one year after the final passage of this act, shall be therefor for ever barred.

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Statute II.

Aug. 23, 1842.

Act of Sept. 24, 1789, ch. 20.

Commissioners appointed by the circuit courts

Chap. CLXXXVIII.—An act further supplementary to an act entitled, "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," passed the twenty-fourth of September, seventeen hundred and eighty-nine.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commissioners who now are, or hereafter may be, appointed by the circuit courts of the
United States to take acknowledgments of bail and affidavits, and also
to take depositions of witnesses in civil causes, shall and may exercise
all the powers that any justice of the peace, or other magistrate, of any
of the United States may now exercise in respect to offenders for any
crime or offence against the United States, by arresting, imprisoning,
or bailing the same, under and by virtue of the thirty-third section of
the act of the twenty-fourth of September, Anno Domini seventeen hun-
dred and eighty-nine, entitled, "An act to establish the judicial courts
of the United States;" and who shall and may exercise all the powers
that any judge or justice of the peace may exercise under and in virtue
of the sixth section of the act passed the twentieth day of July, Anno Do-
dini seventeen hundred and ninety, entitled "An act for the govern-
ment and regulation of seamen in the merchant service."

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in all hearings before any
justice or judge of the United States, or any commissioner appointed
as aforesaid, under and in virtue of the said thirty-third section of
the act entitled "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United
States," it shall be lawful for such justice, judge, or commissioner,
where the crime or offence is charged to have been committed on the
high seas or elsewhere within the admiralty and maritime jurisdiction
of the United States, in his discretion to require a recognizance of any
witness produced in behalf of the accused, with such surety or sureties
as he may judge necessary, as well as in behalf of the United States,
for their appearing and giving testimony, at the trial of the cause, whose
testimony, in his opinion, is important for the purposes of justice at the
trial of the cause, and is in danger of being otherwise lost; and such
witnesses shall be entitled to receive from the United States the usual
compensation allowed to Government witnesses for their detention and
attendance, if they shall appear and be ready to give testimony at the
trial.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the district courts of the
United States shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit courts
of all crimes and offences against the United States, the punishment of
which is not capital. And in such of the districts where the business
of the court may require it to be done for the purposes of justice, and
to prevent undue expenses and delays in the trial of criminal causes,
the said district courts shall hold monthly adjournments of the regular
terms thereof for the trial and hearing of such causes.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That, in lieu of the punishment
now prescribed by the sixteenth section of the act of Congress, entitled,
"An act for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States,"
passed on the thirtieth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand seven
hundred and ninety, for the offences in the said section mentioned, the
punishment of the offender, upon conviction thereof, shall be by fine
not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding
one year, or by both, according to the nature and aggravation of the
offence.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the district courts as courts
of admiralty, and the circuit courts as courts of equity, shall be deem-
ced always open for the purpose of filing libels, bills, petitions, answers,
pleas, and other pleadings, for issuing and returning mesne and final
process and commissions, and for making and directing all interlocutory
motions, orders, rules, and other proceedings whatever, preparatory to
the hearing of all causes pending therein upon their merits. And it
shall be competent for any judge of the court, upon reasonable notice
to the parties, in the clerk's office or at chambers, and in vacation as
well as in term, to make and direct, and award all such process, com-
missions and interlocutory orders, rules, and other proceedings, when-
ever the same are not grantable of course according to the rules and practice of the court.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That the Supreme Court shall have full power and authority, from time to time, to prescribe, and regulate, and alter, the forms of writs and other process to be used and issued in the district and circuit courts of the United States, and the forms and modes of framing and filing libels, bills, answers, and other proceedings and pleadings, in suits at common law or in admiralty and in equity pending in the said courts, and also the forms and modes of taking and obtaining evidence, and of obtaining discovery, and generally the forms and modes of proceeding to obtain relief, and the forms and modes of drawing up, entering, and enrolling decrees, and the forms and modes of proceeding before trustees appointed by the court, and generally to regulate the whole practice of the said courts, so as to prevent delays, and to promote brevity and succinctness in all pleadings and proceedings therein, and to abolish all unnecessary costs and expenses in any suit therein.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That, for the purpose of further diminishing the costs and expenses in suits and proceedings in the said courts, the Supreme Court shall have full power and authority, from time to time, to make and prescribe regulations to the said district and circuit courts, as to the taxation and payment of costs in all suits and proceedings therein; and to make and prescribe a table of the various items of costs which shall be taxable and allowed in all suits, to the parties, their attorneys, solicitors, and proctors, to the clerk of the court, to the marshal of the district, and his deputies, and other officers serving process, to witnesses, and to all other persons whose services are usually taxable in bills of costs. And the items so stated in the said table, and none others, shall be taxable or allowed in bills of costs; and they shall be fixed as low as they reasonably can be, with a due regard to the nature of the duties and services which shall be performed by the various officers and persons aforesaid, and shall in no case exceed the costs and expenses now authorized, where the same are provided for by existing laws.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That on all judgments in civil cases, hereafter recovered in the circuit or district courts of the United States, interest shall be allowed, and may be levied by the marshal, under process of execution issued thereon, in all cases where, by the law of the State in which such circuit or district court shall be held, interest may be levied under process of execution on judgments recovered in the courts of such State, to be calculated from the date of the judgment, and at such rate per annum, as is allowed by law, on judgments recovered in the courts of such State.

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(a) The decisions of the courts of the United States on the subject of interest have been:

The decree on bottomry is to consider the sum loaned and the premium as a principal, and to allow common interest on that sum for the delay of payment after it is due. The Ship Packet, 3 Mason's C. R. 255.

An administrator is not liable to pay interest upon assets in his hands, unless under special circumstances. Neither is a partner, on partnership accounts before settlement, and a balance struck. Dexter v. Arnold, 3 Mason's C. R. 264.

Interest will not be allowed against a trustee holding a fund where he had made no interest, if there be no laches or neglect or use of the money on his part. Cassels v. Vernon, 5 Mason's C. R. 332.

Interest on money in the hands of the administrator, is not chargeable where the same is retained in his hands until a suit shall determine the right of the claimant thereto. Wade v. The Administrators of Wade, 1 Wash. C. C. R. 477.

The court allowed the customary interest paid at Canton, on a note executed there. Cowqua v. Landerbrun, 1 Wash. C. C. R. 521.

The correct general rule is to calculate interest up to the period when a payment is made, to satisfy which the payment should be first applied; and if it exceed the interest due, the balance is to be applied towards the payment of the principal; but if the payment is not sufficient to discharge the interest, the principal is not to be increased by adding to it the balance of interest due at the time, so as to produce interest on interest. Smith v. The Administrators of Shaw, 2 Wash. C. C. R. 167.
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STATUTE II.

Aug. 23, 1842.

CHAP. CLXXXIX.—An Act making an appropriation to supply a deficiency in the navy pension fund. (c)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of eighty-four

Where the plaintiff has stated an account on a principle unfavorable to himself, as to the charge of interest, he ought to be bound by it. Ibid.

There is no difference as to the application of the general rule relative to calculating interest on debts legally authorized to bear interest, and on those debts where interest is given in the name of damages. Ibid.

The rate of interest fixed by the law of Georgia, the contract having been made there, will be allowed in the courts on such contracts, although it may exceed the interest allowed by the law of the State in which the court sits. Jaffray v. Dennis, 2 Wash. C. C. R. 253.

The defendant settled his account at the treasury department in 1808, on which a balance was stated against him. In 1818 he claimed further credits, which were allowed to him, and which reduced the balance claimed in 1808. The court instructed the jury to allow interest on the actual balance from 1808. United States v. Ormsby, 3 Wash. C. C. R. 195.

Where there have been running accounts between parties, and one party has been in the habit of transmuting his accounts regularly to the other, striking a balance, and charging or giving credit for interest, as the balance might be, and no objections have been made to it, and where this mode of stating accounts is shown to be the custom of trade, such manner of charging interest is legal. Barclay v. Kennedy et al. 3 Wash. C. C. R. 550.

A usage to add interest to the annual account at the end of the year, and interest on the balance, does not apply in a case in which the commercial intercourse between the countries in which the parties respectively reside, had ceased when the account was transmitted; nor will it authorize the creditor to make an account in behind the parties at the time of the commencement of the suit. Benniston et al. v. Imrie, 3 Wash. C. C. R. 296.

Where an alien enemy has an agent in the United States, and this is known to the debtor, interest ought not to abate during a war. Ibid.

A promise was made by the defendant, the drawer of a protested bill of exchange, that if the plaintiff would give time, he would pay the bill when he should be able. In an action on the new promise, the plaintiff is entitled only to the sum stated in the bill, and to interest from the time when defendant was able; and not to any damages. If the jury give more, the court will set aside the verdict, unless the plaintiff enter a remittitur for the overplus. Lonsdale v. Brown, 4 Wash. C. C. R. 148.

If there has not been a previous demand of the penalty of a bond, or an acknowledgment that the whole is due, interest is recoverable only from the commencement of the suit, on a bond with sureties given to the Bank of the United States for the faithful discharge of the duties of cashier of the branch bank at Middletown, Connecticut. United States Bank v. Magill et al., Payne's C. C. R. 661.

Interest is not allowed on unliquidated damages. Gilpins v. Consequa, Peters' C. C. R. 86.

It is generally in the discretion of the jury to give interest in the name of damages. Willings et al. v. Consequa, Peters' C. C. R. 72.


When an attachment is laid on money in the hands of a third person, interest ceases from the time of the attachment until it is dissolved; but where a debtor who is also a creditor lays an attachment in his own hands, interest is chargeable during the continuance of the attachment. Ibid. 303.

It is the usage at Canton to add interest to the other charges on the amount of the articles sold, and for which compensation is demanded. This will be allowed in the United States, on a Canton contract. Ibid.

Interest on debts due by the citizens of the United States to the subjects of the king of Great Britain, ceased during the revolutionary war, and during the war of 1812; but the mere circumstance of war existing between two countries is not a sufficient reason for abating interest on the debts due by the subjects of one belligerent to the subjects of another. Conn et al. v. Penn et al., Peters' C. C. R. 497.

A prohibition of all intercourse with an enemy during a war, furnishes a just reason for the abatement of interest on debts due by the subjects of the belligerent; until the return of peace. Ibid.

The rule as to the abatement of interest during the war, does not apply where the creditor, although a subject of the enemy, remains in the country of the debtor, or has a known agent residing there, and who is authorized to receive the debt. Ibid.

An account current, received and not objected to in a reasonable time, becomes a settled account bearing interest from the time it is stated, and the balance is payable on demand. Bainbridge & Co. v. Wilcox, 39 C. C. R. 639.

An account made up of principal and interest becomes one principal debt; the aggregate balance, where the account is thus settled, bearing interest. Ibid. 540.

Compound interest is not illegal, and may be recovered on an express promise, or one implied by law, as a part of the contract. Ibid. 541.

If an account contains a charge of interest during a war, it is recoverable if there is a promise to pay the amount after peace, or the account is in fact or law a settled account, from which a promise results by operation of law. Ibid. 542.

Whether the jury, in a case in which a man covenants to convey lands without fraud, and it afterwards appeared that, in truth, he had no title to the land, when he covenanted to convey, should allow interest on the money paid by the vendee, for the vendee, in the circumstances of the case, of which they are the proper judges; and it is competent to the defendant to give in evidence any circumstances tending to show interest should not be allowed. Letcher & Arnold v. Woodson, 1 Brockenb. C. C. R. 212.

The interest allowed on the personal estate, for the sums advanced by it to discharge the specialty debts, should, in accordance both with the general course of the court, and with justice in particular cases, be allowed to the personal estate. Ibid. v. Executors of Byrd, 2 Brockenb. C. C. R. 171.

Where a mortgagee is in possession, and the annual rents and profits of the mortgaged estate, exceed

(a) Act relating to the navy pension fund, July 10, 1832, chap. 194.
thousand nine hundred and fifty-one dollars be, and the same is hereby
appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropri-
ated, to supply any deficiency which may exist in the navy pension
fund, for the payment of the semi-annual navy pensions, which will be
due on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-two.

the interest of the debt due, it seems that he should pay interest on the surplus rents and profits. Gordon
v. Lewis, 2 Sumner's C. C. R. 143.

In the ordinary cases, where the relation of mortgagor and mortgagee is uncontroverted, if a mortgagee
receive the rents of a mortgaged estate after his debt has been satisfied, and retain them to his own use,
without paying them over to the mortgagor, he is chargeable with interest. ibid. However, where the
interest was under a mistake, supposing the rights of the mortgagor extinguished; he would not be liable
for interest until after notice of the adverse claim. ibid.

Interest on the amount of the debt as ascertained by the decree of the circuit court, was allowed from
the time of the judgment; but the damages allowed by the court were not permitted to bear interest.

Interest is to be calculated to the present time, upon the aggregate sum of principal and interest in the
judgment below; but not to the next term of the circuit court, when the mandate will operate, as the
party has a right to pay the money immediately. Brown v. Van Braam, 3 Dell. 344; 1 Cond. Rep. 157.

Interest is, in general, allowed from the time a demand is made for the wages of a mariner; and if no
special demand is made, then from the commencement of the suit. Gammell v. Skinner, 2 Gallus. C. C. R. 45.

If captured property is ordered to be sold, then no interest is allowed. Rose v. Himely, 4 Cranch, 291; 2 Cond. Rep. 98.

Interest commences on a pecuniary legacy at the expiration of one year from the decease of the testa-
tor, whatever may be the duration of the estate, unless some other period is specified in the will. The
cases of infant children and of adopted children under age, are exceptions to the general rule. Sullivan v. Winthrop, 1 Sumner's C. C. R. 1.

Where the executors invested certain sums, less than the whole amount of the legacy, in the name of the
legatee; held, that this was, pro tanto, a payment of the legacy; and that the interest accruing on
those sums, within the year from the time of such investment, belonged to the legatee. ibid.

Where the vendor is indebted to the vendee, and the sale is made in order to pay the debt, the vendor
must pay interest from the time the debt is liquidated until he makes a good title; and the vendee is
accountable for the rents and profits from the time the contract is perfected, until it is specifically per-

A party is as well entitled to interest on an appeal bond, as if he were to proceed on the judgment, if
the judgment be on a contract for the payment of money. He is entitled to interest from the rendition
of the original judgment. Sneed et al. v. Wister et al. 8 Wheat. 690; 5 Cond. Rep. 556.

The taking of interest in advance of the discount of a note in the usual course of business by a
banker, is not usurious. This has long been settled, and is not now open for controversy. Thornton v.
The Bank of Washington, 3 Peters, 40.

The taking of interest for sixty-four days on a note is not usurious, if the note given for sixty days, accord-
ing to the custom and usage in the banks at Washington, was not due and payable until the sixty-fourth
day. In the case of Renner et al. The Bank of Columbia, 9 Wheat. 581, it was expressly held, that under
that custom the note was not due and payable before the sixty-fourth day; for until that time the maker
could not be in default. ibid. 40.

Where it was the practice of the party, who had a sixty day note discounted at the bank of Washing-
ton, to pay interest for the day after the discount of another note on the sixty-third day, the maker not being in
fact bound to pay the note according to the custom prevailing in the District of Columbia; such a trans-
action on the part of the banker is not usurious, although on each note the discount for sixty-four days
was deducted. Each note is considered as a distinct and substantive transaction. If no more than legal
interest is taken upon the time the new note has to run, the actual application of the proceeds of the new
note to the payment of the former note before it comes due, does not of itself make the transaction
usurious. Something more must occur. There must be a contract between the bank and the party at
the time of such discount, that the party shall not have the use and benefit of the proceeds until the for-
mer note becomes due, or that the bank shall have the use and benefit of them in the mean time. ibid.

The contract to accept the bills of exchange on which the action was brought, was made in Charleston,
South Carolina. The bills were drawn in Georgia on B. and H. in Charleston, with a view to their
payment in Charleston, where the contract was to be executed. The interest on the bill which was so
drawn and was unpaid, is to be charged at the rate of interest in South Carolina. Boyce & Henry v.
Edwards, 4 Peters, 111.

Interest is not chargeable on money collected by the marshal of the District of Columbia for fines due
to the levy court, the money having been actually expended by the marshal in repairs and improvements
on the jail, under the opinions of the controller and auditor of the treasury department, that these
expenditures were properly chargeable upon this fund, although those opinions may not be well founded.

In an action brought on a note given for payment for teas, the defence was, that teas of an inferior
quality were delivered; the jury must not credit the defendant with the amount of damages, as of
the day the tea were delivered, but of the day when the verdict was rendered. The interest on the note
is to be reckoned to the day of the verdict, and from that amount is to be deducted the amount of the

Assumpsit was brought for the proceeds of a cargo which was taken under legal process by the defend-
ants, the consignees, in a foreign port, for the debts of the prior owners of the ship. Held, that the
proceeds, by this action, had vested in the vendor, and that the action, therefore, was to determine the
amount that should be allowed the defendants; but that the defendants were chargeable with interest from the receipt
by them of the proceeds of the cargo. Rickertson v. Wright, 3 Sumner's C. C. R. 335.
SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the act entitled "An act to provide for the more equitable administration of the navy pension fund," approved March third, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, be, and the same is hereby, repealed, from and after the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-two. And all pensions to officers and seamen in the naval service shall be regulated according to the pay of the navy as it existed on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That so much of an act, entitled "An act directing the transfer of money remaining unclaimed by certain pensioners, and authorizing the payment of the same at the Treasury of the United States," approved April sixth, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, as requires pensions that may have remained unclaimed in the hands of pension agents for eight months to be returned to the Treasury, be, and the same is hereby, repealed, and that the time within which such pensions shall be returned to the Treasury, be, and the same is hereby, extended to fourteen months, subject to all the other restrictions and provisions contained in the said act.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

Chap. CXC.—An Act for the relief of certain settlers in the Territory of Wisconsin.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That every settler in the district of lands subject to sale at Mineral Point, in the Territory of Wisconsin, who shall show, by proof which shall be satisfactory to the register and receiver of the land office at Muscoday, that he, by cultivation and possession, as required by the pre-emption act of the nineteenth of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-four, was entitled to a right of pre-emption; and that he, the said settler, was refused the privileges granted by said act, in consequence of the mineral character of the tract of land applied for by him, shall be permitted to enter, at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents an acre, one complete quarter section of land, of any lands in said land district which have not yet been offered at public sale: Provided, That no tract shall be entered, by any settler claiming under this act, which contains mines or discoveries of lead ore, or on which there may be an improvement, or on which any person may have a residence, or which may have been reserved from sale: And provided, further, That the claimant, under this act, and his witnesses, shall make oath, before a person duly qualified to administer oaths, to all the facts stated by them.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this act be carried into effect, in conformity with the instructions which may be given by the Secretary of the Treasury, to the register and receiver of the land office at Muscoday.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

Chap. CXCI.—An Act to amend the acts of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, and eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, allowing pensions to certain widows.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the marriage of the widow, after the death of her husband, for whose services she claims a pension, under the act of the seventh of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, shall be no bar to the claim of such widow to the benefit of that act, she being a widow at the time she makes application for a pension.

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Statute II.

Act of March 3, 1837, ch. 38, repealed.
Pensions to be regulated according to the pay of the navy on the 1st of January 1835.

Act of April 6, 1838, ch. 56, partially repealed; and the time for unclaimed money to remain in the hands of the agents, extended to 14 months.

Settlers at Mineral Point who have been refused entry under the pre-emption act of June 19, 1834, allowed to enter one quarter section elsewhere, 1834, ch. 54.

Proviso.

Proviso, that the claimant shall make oath to the facts.

Instructions of Sec. Treasury to be complied with.

Statute II.

Act of July 4, 1836, ch. 362.
July 7, 1838, ch. 189.

Marriage of the widow to be no bar to her pension, if a widow at the time of applying.

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Chap. CXCII.—An Act for the payment of Florida militia called into service in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-nine and eighteen hundred and forty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the War Department be, and they are hereby, directed to examine and adjust the claims for pay of Lieutenant Colonel Bailey and staff, Major Bailey and staff, the officers of the quartermaster's department, and the companies of Captains Grigsby, Hagan, McIvers, Langford, Hall, Burney, and Bailey, all of the Florida militia, called into service in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-nine and eighteen hundred and forty, as if they had been regularly called out and mustered:

Provided, That none of the troops herein specified shall be paid but such as the Secretary of War may consider to have been called into service under authority from said Department; and that no payment shall be made to any of the officers but such as were in proper proportion to the number of men in service, according to the existing laws, and for none of the supplies beyond the proportion, or not of the description, authorized by existing laws and regulations; and that the said accounting officers be further directed to settle and adjust all claims growing out of said service in the quartermaster's department, the subsistence department, for ordnance supplies, and supplies of the medical department and private physicians.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War be authorized to direct the payment of the accounts so settled and adjusted by the said accounting officers, provided the whole amount of pay shall not exceed the sum of seventy thousand six hundred and eighteen dollars and six cents; for the quartermaster's department, shall not exceed the sum of fifty-six thousand dollars; for subsistence shall not exceed thirty-two thousand nine hundred and twenty-two dollars and ninety-six cents; for ordnance supplies, shall not exceed one thousand seven hundred and one dollars and eighteen cents; and for private physicians and medicine, shall not exceed five thousand dollars; and that, for the payments aforesaid, a sum not exceeding one hundred and sixty-six thousand two hundred and forty-two dollars and twenty cents be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

Chap. CXCIV.—An Act to authorize the selection of school lands in lieu of those granted to the half-breeds of the Sac and Fox Indians. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the county commissioners of the county of Lee, in the Territory of Iowa, be, and they are hereby, authorized to select, of any of the public lands of the United States subject to private entry within the Iowa Territory, one section for each entire township of land in the "half-breed tract," in said county, and a proportional quantity for each fractional township in said tract, under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury; which land when selected, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations, respecting school lands, as the sixteenth sections in all the townships of the public lands are subject.

Approved, August 23, 1842.

(a) Acts relating to Iowa, July 12, 1838, ch. 96.
Chap. CCII. — An Act legalizing and making appropriations for such necessary objects as have been usually included in the general appropriation bills without authority of law, and to fix and provide for certain incidental expenses of the Departments and offices of the Government, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the respective heads of the Departments of the General Government to employ or appoint the officers and persons hereinafter mentioned, in addition to those already provided by law, in the offices, bureaus, and places connected with their several Departments, and at the following annual salaries, that is to say:

1. In the Department of State.—One superintendent of the northeast Executive building, at two hundred and fifty dollars, and three watchmen, at three hundred and sixty-five dollars each.

2. In the Treasury Department.—In the First Comptroller's office, one assistant messenger, at three hundred and fifty dollars.

In the First Auditor's office, one additional clerk, at one thousand dollars.

In the Second Auditor's office, one additional clerk, at one thousand dollars, until the second of April, eighteen hundred and forty-three.

In the Third Auditor's office, three additional clerks, two at one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars each, and one at one thousand dollars.

In the Fourth Auditor's office, one clerk at twelve hundred dollars.

In the Fifth Auditor's office, two clerks, under the act of seventh July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, at one thousand dollars each.

The compensation of the clerk authorized by the act of May twenty-six, eighteen hundred and twenty-four, in the Treasurer's office, is hereby increased to one thousand dollars; and the compensation of the clerk in the same office authorized by the act of July two, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, is hereby increased to one thousand two hundred dollars.

In the office of the Register of the Treasury, one loan clerk, (to take effect from fifteenth April, eighteen hundred and forty-two,) at one thousand four hundred dollars.

In the office of the Solicitor of the Treasury, three additional clerks, at one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars each, and one law clerk, at fifteen hundred dollars.

One superintendent of the southeast Executive building, at five hundred dollars, and eight watchmen, at three hundred and sixty-five dollars each.

3. In the War Department.—In the office of the Commanding General, one messenger, at five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Adjutant General, one messenger, at five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence, one additional clerk, at one thousand dollars, one messenger, five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Commissioner of Pensions, one messenger, at seven hundred dollars, until the first day of January next, after which time there shall be two messengers only in said office, at a compensation of five hundred dollars each.

In the office of the Chief Engineer, one messenger at five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Surgeon General, one clerk, at one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars, and one messenger at five hundred dollars.

In the office of the Colonel of Ordnance, one messenger at five hundred dollars.
In the bureau of Topographical Engineers, two clerks, each one thousand, one at one thousand four hundred, and one messenger at five hundred dollars.

One superintendent of the northwest Executive building, at two hundred and fifty dollars, and four watchmen, at three hundred and sixty-five dollars each.

4. In the Navy Department.—In the Navy Commissioners' office, two additional clerks, at one thousand four hundred dollars each.

Two additional clerks, at one thousand two hundred dollars each.

One superintendent of the southwest Executive building, at two hundred and fifty dollars, and three watchmen, at three hundred and sixty-five dollars each.

5. In the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives.—One messenger, at the daily compensation received by the other messengers of the House of Representatives, and in lieu of one of them.

6. In the office of the Attorney General.—One messenger, five hundred dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in the Supreme Court of the United States one reporter shall be appointed by the court, with a salary of twelve hundred and fifty dollars: Provided, That he deliver to the Secretary of State, for distribution, one hundred and fifty copies of each volume of reports that he shall hereafter prepare and publish, immediately after the publication thereof, which publication shall be made annually, within four months after the adjournment of the court at which the decisions are made.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the assistant librarian of the library of Congress shall receive eleven hundred and fifty dollars, and the messenger seven hundred dollars, per annum, to take effect from the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-two, in lieu of their present compensation.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Navy, whose salary was fixed at eight hundred dollars by the act of the twentieth of April, eighteen hundred and nineteen, shall receive, in addition thereto, two hundred dollars.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ an additional clerk, as assistant in his office, at a salary of eighteen hundred dollars per annum; and the superintendent of Indian Affairs at St. Louis, and he hereby is, authorized to employ one clerk, at a compensation of twelve hundred dollars, in lieu of the two clerks authorized by the act of May ninth, eighteen hundred and thirty-six; and so much of said last mentioned act as authorizes the employment of two clerks is hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That the several offices, and employments hereinafter mentioned are hereby made and declared to be lawful, to all intents and purposes whatever; and the respective heads of Departments, under whom the same are held and exercised, are hereby authorized and empowered to fill the same, and to continue the exercise and discharge thereof, at the salaries aforesaid, until the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-four, except those otherwise limited by this act: Provided, That in all cases where any of the aforementioned officers, or other persons herein authorized to be employed, have already been employed, and are now in the discharge of their respective duties, or have been so since the first day of January last, under the authority of former appropriation bills, at a different rate of compensation than is hereby authorized and affixed to their respective places, they shall be entitled to receive the same rate of compensation heretofore allowed, and at which they have been retained in employment, from the first day of January last to the time of the passage of this act.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the sum of fifty thousand
dollars, or so much thereof as may be found necessary, be, and the
same is hereby, appropriated, for the year eighteen hundred and forty-
two, out of any unappropriated moneys in the Treasury, to the objects
hereinbefore specified.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the
President of the United States to allow a dragoman at Constantinople,
a salary of more than two thousand five hundred dollars; or a consul at
London, a salary of more than two thousand dollars.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United
States shall not allow to any minister resident a greater sum than at the
rate of six thousand dollars per annum, as a compensation for all his
personal services and expenses: Provided, That it shall be lawful for
the President to allow to such minister resident, on going from the
United States to any foreign country, an outfit, which shall in no case
exceed one year’s full salary of such minister resident.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That the office of Architect
of the Public Buildings be, and the same is hereby, discontinued and
abolished.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duties of
the Secretaries of State, of the Treasury, War, and Navy, of the Com-
misioners of the Navy, of the Postmaster General, of the Secretary
of the Senate, and of the Clerk of the House of Representatives, to report
to Congress, at the beginning of each year, the names of the clerks and
other persons that have been employed, respectively, during the pre-
ceding year, or any part thereof, in their respective departments and
offices, together with the time that each clerk or other person was actu-
ally employed, and the sums paid to each; and, also, whether they have
been usefully employed; whether the services of any of them can be
dispensed with without detriment to the public service, and whether the
removal of any individuals, and the appointment of others in their
stead, is required for the better despatch of business; and no greater
allowance shall be made to any such clerk, or other person, than is, or
may be authorized by law, except to watchmen and messengers, for any
labor or services required of them beyond the particular duties of their
respective stations, rendered at such times as does not interfere with
the performance of their regular duties.

Sec. 12. And be it further enacted, That no allowance or compen-
sation shall be made to any clerk or other officer, by reason of the dis-
charge of duties which belong to any other clerk or officer in the same
or any other department; and no allowance or compensation shall be
made for any extra services whatever, which any clerk or other officer
may be required to perform.

Sec. 13. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of each
chief or principal clerk in the respective departments, bureaus, and
other offices, to supervise, under the direction of his immediately supe-
rior officer, the duties of the other clerks therein, and to see that their
duties are faithfully executed, and that such duties are distributed with
equality and uniformity, according to the nature of the case. And such
distribution shall be revised, from time to time, by the said chief or
principal clerk, for the purpose of correcting any tendency to undue
accumulation or reduction of duties, whether arising from individual
negligence or incapacity, or from increase or diminution of particular
kinds of business; and such chief or principal clerk shall report monthly
to his superior officer any existing defect that he may be aware of in
the arrangement or despatch of business; and such defect shall be
amended by new arrangements of duties, dismissal of negligent or in-
competent officers, or otherwise.

Sec. 14. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the
several heads of Departments, in communicating estimates of expendi-
Manner in which estimates are to be communicated to Congress.

Employment of extra clerks.

Employment of messengers, laborers, &c.

Purchase of newspapers.

Stationery and job printing to be furnished and performed by contract.

Todays and appropriations to Congress, and to any of the committees thereof, to specify, as nearly as may be convenient, the sources from which such estimates are derived, and the calculations upon which they are founded; and, in so doing, to discriminate between such estimates as are conjectural in their character, and such as are framed upon actual information and application from disbursing officers; and, in communicating the several estimates, reference shall be given to the laws and treaties by which they are authorized, the dates thereof, and the volume, page, and section, in which the necessary provisions are contained.

Sec. 15. And be it further enacted, That no extra clerk shall be employed, in any department, bureau, or office, at the seat of Government, except during the session of Congress, or when indispensably necessary to enable such department, bureau, or office, to answer some call made by either House of Congress at one session, to be answered at another; and not then, except by order of the head of the department in which, or in some bureau or office of which, such extra clerk shall be employed; and no such extra clerk, for copying, shall receive more than three dollars per day, or for any other service more than four dollars per day, for the time actually and necessarily employed.

Sec. 16. And be it further enacted, That no messenger, assistant messenger, laborer, or other person, shall be employed in any department, bureau, or office at the seat of Government, or paid out of the contingent fund appropriated to such department, bureau, or office, unless such employment shall be authorized by law, or shall become necessary to carry into effect some object for which appropriations may be specifically made; and not exceeding one hundred dollars per annum shall be applied by each department (except the Department of State,) for the purchase of newspapers for such department, and all the bureaus and offices connected therewith; and such papers shall be preserved as files for said department.

Sec. 17. And be it further enacted, That all stationery, of every name and nature, for the use of the two Houses of Congress, and all stationery and job printing, of every name and nature, for the use of the several departments of Government, and for the bureaus and offices in those departments at Washington, including all stationery, blanks, wrapping paper, and twine, and mail bags, furnished the post offices and collectors' offices throughout the United States, shall hereafter be furnished and performed by contract, by the lowest bidder, as follows: the Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk of the House of Representatives, the head of each department, and such deputy postmasters in the Post Office establishment, and such collectors in the custom-house establishment, as the Postmaster General and the Secretary of the Treasury shall respectively designate for that purpose, shall respectively advertise, once a week, for at least four weeks, in one or more of the principal papers published in the places where such articles are to be furnished, or such printing done, for sealed proposals for furnishing such articles, or the whole of any particular class of articles, or for doing such printing, or the whole of any specified job thereof, to be done at such place, specifying in such advertisement the amount, quantity, and description of each kind of articles to be furnished, and, as near as may be, the nature, amount, and kind of printing to be done; and all such proposals shall be kept sealed until the day specified in such advertisement for opening the same, when they shall be opened, by or under the direction of the officer making such advertisement, in the presence of at least two persons; and the person offering to furnish any class of such articles, or to perform any specified portion or job of said work, and giving satisfactory security for the performance thereof, under a forfeiture not exceeding twice the contract price in case of failure, shall receive a contract for doing the same; and in case the lowest bidder shall fail to enter into such con-
tract and give such security within a reasonable time, to be fixed in such advertisement, then the contract shall be given to the next lowest bidder who shall enter into such contract and give such security. And in case of a failure to supply the articles or to perform the work, by the person entering into such contract, he and his sureties shall be liable for the forfeiture specified in such contract, as liquidated damages, to be sued for in the name of the United States, in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

SEC. 18. And be it further enacted, That all such bids or proposals shall be returned by the person authorized, as aforesaid, to receive the same, to the Executive Department from which such authority is derived, and shall be preserved in said Department, subject to such examination as Congress may at any time order and direct.

SEC. 19. And be it further enacted, That no part of the contingent fund appropriated to any department, bureau, or office, shall be applied to the purchase of books, periodicals, pictures, or engravings, or other thing, except such books, periodicals, and maps, or other thing, as the head of such department shall deem necessary and proper to carry on the business of such department, and shall, by written order, direct to be procured for that purpose.

SEC. 20. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Senate, at the commencement of every regular session of Congress, to report to the Senate, and of the Clerk of the House of Representatives to report to the House, and of the head of each Department to report to Congress, a detailed statement of the manner in which the contingent fund for each House, and of their respective Departments, and for the bureaus and offices therein, has been expended, giving the names of every person to whom any portion thereof has been paid; and if for anything furnished, the quantity and price; and if for any services rendered, the nature of such service, and the time employed, and the particular occasion or cause, in brief, that rendered such service necessary; and the amount of all former appropriations in each case on hand, either in the Treasury or in the hands of any disbursing officer or agent. And they shall require of the disbursing officers, acting under their direction or authority, the return of precise and analytical statements and receipts for all the moneys which may have been, from time to time during the next preceding year, expended by them; and the results of such returns and the sums total shall be communicated annually to Congress, by the said officers, respectively.

SEC. 21. And be it further enacted, That the act entitled "An act to provide for the publication of the laws of the United States, and for other purposes," approved April twentieth, eighteen hundred and eighteen, so far as the same authorizes or requires the laws, resolutions, treaties, and amendments of the Constitution of the United States, to be published in any paper or papers printed in the different States or Territories of the United States, is hereby repealed; and in lieu thereof, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to publish such laws, resolutions, treaties, and amendments, in not less than two nor more than four of the principal newspapers published in the city of Washington for country subscribers, giving the preference to such papers as have the greatest number of permanent subscribers and the most extensive circulation; for which the proprietor of each paper shall receive, as full compensation, at the rate of one dollar for each page of the laws, resolutions, treaties, and amendments, as published in pamphlet form. And if it shall appear, on the examination of any account, that there has been any unreasonable delay or intentional omission in the publication of the laws aforesaid, the proper accounting officer of the Treasury is hereby authorized and required to deduct from such account such sum as shall be charged therein for the publication of any laws which shall have been

Bids and proposals to be preserved, &c.

Relative to the purchase of books, &c.

Detail of the manner in which the contingent funds have been expended, to be reported to Congress.

Act 20th Sept. 1818, ch. 50, requiring the laws to be published in the states and territories, repealed; and in lieu thereof, they shall be published in not less than two or more newspapers in Washington. 1846, ch. 101.

Compensation for publishing.

In case of delay, &c. in the publication, a deduction to be made, &c.
so unreasonably delayed or intentionally omitted; and, in any such case, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to discontinue the publication of the laws in the newspaper belonging to such proprietors, and such newspaper shall in no event be again authorized, nor shall the proprietor thereof be again employed, to publish the laws of the United States.

SEC. 22. And be it further enacted, That, for the purpose of limiting the incidental and contingent appropriations for the necessary expenses of the Government to specific objects, as far as practicable, the following sums are hereby appropriated for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, to the objects hereinafter specified, namely:

Department of State.—For distributing the aggregate returns of the sixth census, eight thousand dollars.

For purchasing and preparing indices to the manuscript papers of the Congress of the Confederation, and to the Washington Papers, deposited in the department of State, one thousand dollars.

Navy Department.—No. 1. In the Secretary's Office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.
For extra clerk hire, four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.
For printing, three hundred dollars.
For labor, three hundred and fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.
No. 2. In the Navy Commissioners' Office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.
For extra clerk hire, two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.
For labor, three hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, six hundred and fifty dollars.
No. 3. For the southwest Executive building:
For labor, three hundred and twenty-five dollars.
For fuel and light, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.
No. 4. For the northeast Executive building:
For labor, one thousand two hundred dollars.
For fuel and light, one thousand four hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, seven hundred dollars.
War Department.—No. 5. In the office of the Secretary of War.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.
For newspapers and periodicals, two hundred and fifty dollars.
For labor, three hundred dollars:
For printing, three hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, five hundred and fifty dollars.
For books, maps, and plans, one thousand dollars.
For extra clerk hire, three thousand dollars.
No. 6. In the office of the Commissioner of Indian affairs:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.
For labor, fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, eight hundred and fifty dollars.
No. 7. In the office of the Commissioner of Pensions:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.
For printing, four hundred dollars.
For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, four hundred and fifty dollars.
No. 8. In the office of the Commanding General:
For miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars.
No. 9. In the office of the Adjutant General:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars.
No. 10. In the office of the Quartermaster General:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars.
For labor, one hundred dollars.
For printing, one hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.

No. 11. In the office of the Commissary General of Purchases:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.

No. 12. In the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars.
For extra clerk hire, six hundred dollars.
For printing and advertising, twelve hundred dollars.
For labor, one hundred dollars.
For fuel, one hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.

No. 13. In the office of the Paymaster General:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars.
For fuel, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.
For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.

No. 14. In the office of the Surgeon General:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars.
For printing, fifty dollars.
For fuel, seventy-five dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 15. In the office of the Chief Engineer:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.
For printing, one hundred and five dollars.
For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars.

No. 16. In the office of the Colonel of Ordnance:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars.
For printing, seventy-five dollars.
For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars.

No. 17. In the Bureau of Topographical Engineers:
For the support of the light-house on the Delaware breakwater, one thousand five hundred dollars.
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars.
For labor, one hundred dollars.
For fuel, two hundred and fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.

No. 18. For the northwest Executive building:
For labor, four hundred dollars.
For fuel and light, two thousand dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one thousand six hundred and seventy dollars.

Treasury Department.—No. 19. In the office of the Secretary of the Treasury:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three thousand five hundred dollars.
For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars.
For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars.
For extra clerk hire, one thousand five hundred dollars.
For printing, (including the printing of the public accounts,) two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.
For sealing ships' registers, one hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, seven hundred dollars.
For translating foreign languages, one hundred and fifty dollars:

Provided, That no part of said sum or sums be paid to any clerk, or other officer of the Government, beyond his salary, for taking charge of or transmitting passports or sea letters.
First Comptroller. No. 20. In the office of the First Comptroller:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars.
For labor, four hundred and fifty dollars.
For extra clerk hire, two hundred and fifty dollars.
For completing indices to public documents in the First Comptroller's office, three hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars.

1st Auditor. No. 21. In the office of the First Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.
For labor, two hundred dollars.
For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars.

2d Auditor. No. 22. In the office of the Second Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars.
For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars.
For extra clerk hire, three hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars.

4th Auditor. No. 23. In the office of the Fourth Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars.
For labor, fifty dollars.
For extra clerk hire, one hundred dollars.
For printing, forty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.

5th Auditor. No. 24. In the office of the Fifth Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dollars.
For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.
For extra clerk hire, fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Treasurer. No. 25. In the Treasurer's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.
For labor, three hundred and seventy-five dollars.
For printing, seven hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars.

Solicitor. No. 26. In the Solicitor's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars.
For labor, one hundred dollars.
For extra clerk hire, four hundred dollars.

Register. No. 27. In the Register's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars.
For labor, three hundred and fifty dollars.
For printing, five hundred dollars.
For miscellaneous items, (including one thousand dollars for cases for the preservation of the records,) two thousand dollars.

General Land Office. No. 28. For the General Land Office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, and parchments, twelve thousand dollars.
For labor, five hundred dollars.
For printing, four thousand dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one thousand dollars.

Arrearages. For office of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, for arrearages, since eighteen hundred and thirty-four, of cost of printing patents, publishing proclamations, printing circulars and blank forms for the land offices, twenty-two thousand six hundred and twenty-eight dollars and seventeen cents, or so much thereof as may be found necessary, on auditing the accounts by the appropriate officer.

Extra clerks and draughtsmen in offices of surveyors general. For compensation of extra clerks and draughtsmen in the offices of the surveyors general, to transcribe field notes of survey, for the purpose of preserving them at the seat of Government, in addition to the
unexpended balances of former appropriations, fourteen thousand dollars, namely:
  For office of surveyor general northwest of the Ohio, four thousand five hundred dollars.
  For office of surveyor general of Wisconsin and Iowa, one thousand dollars.
  For office of surveyor general of Illinois and Missouri, four thousand five hundred dollars.
  For office of surveyor general of Arkansas, one thousand dollars.
  For office of surveyor general of Louisiana, three thousand dollars.
  For surveying in the State of Louisiana, to be expended at a rate not exceeding eight dollars a mile, required in part to pay deficiencies in existing appropriations, thirteen thousand dollars.

No. 29. Southeast Executive building:
  For labor, two thousand two hundred dollars.
  For fuel and light, three thousand seven hundred dollars.
  For miscellaneous items, one thousand nine hundred dollars.

No. 30. In the Auditor’s office of the Post Office Department:
  For blank books, binding, and stationery, two thousand and seventy-six dollars and sixty-eight cents.
  For printing blanks, eight hundred and eleven dollars and fifty cents.
  For labors, one thousand one hundred and twenty dollars.
  For continuing fourteen temporary clerks to January first, eighteen hundred and forty-three, employed under the act of September ninth, eighteen hundred and forty-one, four thousand one hundred and eighty-two dollars and nineteen cents.
  For miscellaneous items, four dollars.
  For blank books and printing, prior to May, eighteen hundred and forty-one, three thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven dollars and seventeen cents.

*Post Office Department.*—No. 31. For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand one hundred and ninety dollars.
  For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars.
  For fuel and oil, including arrearages, three thousand six hundred dollars.
  For miscellaneous items, one thousand two hundred and thirty-seven dollars.
  For printing, four hundred and fifty-three dollars.
  For labor, nine hundred and thirty-eight dollars.
  For one day watchman, three hundred and sixty dollars.
  For compensation of temporary clerks, thirty-five hundred dollars.

*United States Mint and Branches.*—No. 32. For coinage expenses, including materials and implements, fuel, new machinery and repairs of old, die making, and wastage of gold and silver, at the Philadelphia mint, fifteen thousand two hundred dollars.
  For house expenses, including water-rent and taxes, repairs, lighting, cleaning, and watching at the same, four thousand dollars.
  For office expenses, including stationery and postage, six hundred dollars.

No. 33. For coinage expenses, including materials and implements, fuel, repairs, and wastage of gold, at the Charlotte branch mint, one thousand two hundred dollars.
  For house expenses, including repairs, lighting, and cleaning at the same, two hundred dollars.
  For office expenses, including stationery and postage at the same, one hundred dollars.

No. 34. For coinage expenses, including materials and implements, fuel, repairs, and wastage of gold, at Dahlonega branch mint, six hundred dollars.
For house expenses, including repairs, lighting, and cleaning at the same, two hundred dollars.

For office expenses, including stationery and postage at the same, one hundred dollars.

No. 35. For coinage expenses, including materials and implements, fuel, repairs, and wastage of gold and silver, at the New Orleans branch mint, eleven thousand and fifty-two dollars.

For house expenses, including water-rent and taxes, repairs, lighting, cleaning, and watching, three thousand five hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

For office expenses, including stationery and postage, three hundred and fifty dollars.

No. 36. For annual repairs of the Capitol, attending furnaces and water-closets, lamp-lighting, oil, laborers on Capitol grounds, tools, keeping iron pipes and wooden fences in order, attending at the western gates, gardener's salary, and top-dressing for plants, seven thousand four hundred and fifty-eight dollars and fifty cents: Provided, That the salary of the public gardener shall not exceed the sum of one thousand two hundred dollars.

For annual repairs of the President's house, gardener's salary, horse and cart, laborers, tools, and top-dressing for plants, two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

For repairs of fence on Pennsylvania avenue, fronting the War and State Departments, and fence of President's garden, two hundred dollars.

For taking down and removing the two furnaces beneath the Hall of the House of Representatives, and building three new ones on the floor below the crypt, excavating a coal vault, constructing additional flues for hot and cold air for the better ventilation of the Hall and passages, nine thousand six hundred and thirty-four dollars.

For purchase of ground north of the General Post Office, between seventh and eighth streets, or so much thereof as the Postmaster General may deem expedient, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For rebuilding the bridge across Pennsylvania avenue, at Second street, and extending the same over the present stone abutments on said Second street, and reimbursing the corporation of Washington the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, expended in erecting the present wooden structure, twelve thousand dollars.

For altering the two passages and doorways of the roof, new steps, new doors, covering the wood with copper, removing the circular horizontal sash, over the Hall of the House of Representatives, and substituting a permanent roof covered with copper, and repairing the copper work of the roof, six hundred dollars.

For alterations and repairs, and fixtures of the north wing of the Capitol, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three dollars and forty-five cents.

For new floor in the basement story of the President's house, for wooden partition and glass door, and for new caps to the chimneys, five hundred and fifty dollars.

For completing the Post Office building, and fixtures and furniture for the same, twenty-seven thousand and ninety-one dollars and seventy-one cents.

For repairing the stone work which secures the iron pipes where they cross the Tiber, one hundred and fifty dollars.

For repairing the flag footways at the Capitol and President's house, and for repairing lamp posts and lamps at the Capitol, two hundred dollars.

For expenses attending the negotiation of a treaty with the Wyandots.

For expenses attending the negotiation of a treaty with the Wyandots, Indians of Ohio, in addition to former appropriations, one thousand dollars.
For compensation to a clerk in the office of Superintendent of Indian Affairs at St. Louis, authorized by a previous section of this act, twelve hundred dollars: Provided, That any sum heretofore appropriated for two clerks, now dispensed with, be not used or applied.

For compensation to two commissioners to examine claims under the treaty with the Cherokees of eighteen hundred and thirty-five, and pay of a secretary, and provisions for Indians during the session of the board, and for contingent expenses, thirteen thousand five hundred dollars; and for arrearages of the late board of commissioners under same treaty, one thousand five hundred and fifty-eight dollars.

For compensation to two clerks, authorized to be continued by the Secretary of War in the office of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, by joint resolution, approved May twenty, eighteen hundred and forty-two, in addition to former appropriations, fifteen hundred dollars.

Judiciary.—No. 37. For the contingent expenses of the Attorney General's office, five hundred dollars.

Sec. 23. And be it further enacted, That in case the sum appropriated for any object shall be found more than sufficient to meet the expense thereby contemplated, the surplus may be applied, under the direction of the head of the proper department, to supply the deficiency of any other item in the same department or office: Provided, That the expenditure for newspapers and periodicals shall not exceed the amount specifically appropriated to that object by this act.

Sec. 24. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be, and hereby are, appropriated for the objects hereinafter mentioned, viz:

For pay and mileage of the members of Congress and delegates from the Territories, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, one hundred and twenty-two thousand six hundred and thirty dollars.

For stationery, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the Senate, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, seven thousand and fifty-eight dollars.

For stationery, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, in addition to the sum already appropriated to that object during the present session, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Sec. 25. And be it further enacted, That it shall not, at any time hereafter, be lawful for any accounting or disbursing officer of the Government to allow or pay any account or charge whatever, growing out of, or in any way connected with, any commission or inquiry, except courts martial or courts of inquiry in the military or naval service of the United States, until special appropriations shall have been made by law to pay such accounts and charges: Provided, That this shall not extend to the contingent fund connected with the foreign intercourse of the Government placed at the disposal of the President of the United States.

Sec. 26. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be appropriated from the patent fund, viz:

A sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, for printing a digest of patents from January first, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

For the purchase of such scientific books as are necessary for the use of the Patent Office, one thousand dollars.

For the collection of agricultural statistics and for other agricultural purposes, one thousand dollars.

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STATUTE II.
Aug. 26, 1842.
1843, ch. 3.

An annual term to be held on 5th Aug. Vol. 3, 479.

Chap. CCIII.—An Act to establish a district court of the United States in the city of Wheeling, in the State of Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That one annual term of the district court of the United States, for the western district of Virginia, be held in the city of Wheeling, on the twenty-fifth day of August.

Approved, August 26, 1842.

STATUTE II.
Aug. 26, 1842.

Chap. CCIV.—An Act to provide for publishing an account of the discoveries made by the Exploring Expedition, under the command of Lieutenant Wilkes, of the United States Navy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be published, under the supervision and direction of the Joint Committee on the Library, “an account of the discoveries made by the Exploring Expedition, under the command of Lieutenant Wilkes of the United States navy;” which account shall be prepared with illustrations and published in a form similar to the voyage of the Astrolabe, lately published by the Government of France.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That when such account shall have been written, and the illustrations for the same shall have been prepared, an advertisement shall be inserted in the papers publishing the laws of the United States, inviting proposals for printing one hundred copies of the same for the United States, to be delivered to the Librarian of Congress in a time, and at a price to be stipulated in such contract; and the contract shall be made with, and given to, the person offering and giving sufficient assurance to perform the work at the lowest price; and on such contract being made, the “account” shall be delivered to such contractor.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That until other provision be made by law for the safe-keeping and arrangement of such objects of natural history as may be in possession of the Government, the same shall be deposited and arranged in the upper room of the Patent Office, under the care of such person as may be appointed by the Joint Committee on the Library.

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STATUTE II.
Aug. 26, 1842.

Chap. CCV.—An Act to confirm the sale of public lands in certain cases. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases when any entry has been made, under the pre-emption laws, of land which was public land, subject to sale at the date of such entry, and when patents for the same have not been issued from the General Land Office, because of the original tract claimed, or the float arising therefrom, exceeding the quantity specified in the law, or when the adjudication has been made by the receiver and the clerk of the register, acting in the stead of the register, or when the proof upon which the claim is founded is not in the form, nor full, as to all the facts required by law, but substantially so, such entries and sales are hereby confirmed, and patents shall be issued thereon, as in other cases: Provided, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall be satisfied that such entries have been in other respects fair and regular, and that the evidence sustains the claim; that they are not contested by other persons claiming the same, and that no fraud shall appear in them: And provided, also, That the act of

(a) See notes of the acts relating to pre-emption rights, May 23, 1839, ch. 208.
fourth September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," shall be so construed as not to confer on any one a right of pre-emption by reason of a settlement made on a tract heretofore sold under a prior pre-emption law, or at private entry, when such prior pre-emption or entry has not been confirmed by the General Land Office, on account of any alleged defect therein, and when such tract has passed into the hands of an innocent and bona fide purchaser.

Approved, August 26, 1842.

CHAII. CCVI.—An Act to regulate the pay of pursers and other officers of the navy. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all purchases of clothing, groceries, stores, and supplies of every description for the use of the navy, as well for vessels in commission as for yards and stations, shall be made with and out of the public money appropriated for the support of the navy, under such directions and regulations as may be made by the Executive for that purpose; and it shall not be lawful for pursers, or other officers or persons holding commission or employment in the naval service, to procure stores or any other articles or supplies for, and dispose thereof to, the officers or to the crew, during the period of their enlistment, on or for their own account or benefit; nor shall any profit or per centage upon stores or supplies be charged to, or received from, persons in the naval service, other than those which are herein-after prescribed.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Executive to provide such rules and regulations for the purchase, preservation, and disposition, of all articles, stores, and supplies, for persons in the navy, as may be necessary for the safe and economical administration of that branch of the public service.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That, in lieu of the pay, rations, allowances, and other emoluments authorized by the existing laws and regulations, the annual pay of pursers shall be as follows, viz: when attached to vessels in commission for sea service, they shall receive, for ships of the line, three thousand five hundred dollars; for frigates or razzees, three thousand dollars; for sloops of war and steamers of first class, two thousand dollars; for brigs and schooners, and steamers, less than first class, fifteen hundred dollars; on duty at navy yards at Boston, New York, Norfolk, and Pensacola, two thousand five hundred dollars; at Portsmouth, Philadelphia, and Washington, two thousand dollars; at naval stations within the United States, fifteen hundred dollars; and in receiving-ships at Boston, New York, and Norfolk, two thousand five hundred dollars; and at other places, fifteen hundred dollars; on leave or waiting orders, the same pay as surgeons. And it is hereby expressly declared that the yearly pay provided in this act is all the pay, compensation, and allowance, that shall be received, under any circumstances, by pursers, except one ration each per day, when attached to vessels for sea service, and except, also, for travelling expenses, when under orders, for which ten cents per mile shall be allowed.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to affect the bonds which have heretofore been given by pursers in the navy, but the same shall remain in full force and effect, as if this law had not been passed; and the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized and required to demand and receive from them, or any of them, new bonds, with sufficient sureties, in all cases in which he may consider the same necessary and expedient; and in

(a) Notes of the acts regulating the pay of pursers in the navy, vol. 3, 350.
case any purser shall neglect or refuse to give such new bond, it shall be the duty of the Executive to dismiss him forthwith from the service.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the rules and regulations which shall be made in conformity with the provisions of this act shall be laid before Congress at their next session.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for a purser in the navy to advance or loan any sum or sums of money, public or private, or any article or commodity whatever, or any credit, to any officer in the naval service, under any pretence whatever.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this act shall go into effect, within the United States, from the date of its passage; and, in vessels abroad, at the beginning of the quarter after its official receipt.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That pursers attached to, and doing duty in, navy yards, at Boston, New York, and Norfolk, and sea-going vessels of a larger class than sloops of war, shall be authorized to appoint a clerk or assistant, to be approved by the commanding officer of such yard or vessel; and the yearly compensation of said clerk shall be as follows, viz.: in a frigate, or navy yard at Boston, New York, and Norfolk, five hundred dollars; in a ship of the line, seven hundred dollars. Said assistant or clerk shall have the privileges which are allowed to the clerk of the commanding officer; and each purser and clerk, while attached to vessels in commission, shall receive one ration per day.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That all stores of pursers on board ships in commission shall be taken by the Government at a fair valuation, under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That all acts or parts of acts which may be contrary to, or inconsistent with, the provisions of this act, shall be, and are hereby, repealed.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passage of this act, the annual pay of the forward warrant officers of the navy of the United States shall be as follows: for boatswains, gunners, carpenters, and sailmakers, when on duty on board ships of the line, and in the three navy yards at Boston, New York, and Norfolk, eight hundred dollars; on other duty, seven hundred dollars; when on leave of absence or awaiting orders, the said officers shall receive five hundred dollars for the first ten years, and after, six hundred dollars.

Sec. 12. And be it further enacted, That whenever an officer shall perform the duty of a higher grade, by order of the Secretary of the Navy, or the commander of a fleet or squadron, or ship acting singly on foreign service, such officer shall be entitled to receive the pay of such higher grade during the time he performs the duty in that grade and no longer, and no allowance shall be made for performing such service hereafter, unless so ordered.

Approved, August 26, 1842.

Chap. CCVII.—An Act to define and establish the fiscal year of the Treasury of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on and after the first day of July in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty-three, the fiscal year of the Treasury of the United States, in all matters of accounts, receipts, expenditures, estimates, and appropriations, shall commence on the first day of July in each year; and the report and estimates required to be prepared and laid before Congress at the commencement of each session by the Secretary of the Treasury in obedience to the acts of Congress of the second of September, seven-
At next session, report and estimates to be made to 30th June next, &c.

Title of appropriation acts.

Publication of receipts and expenditures.

Accounts to 30th June, to be separate.

Statutes of commerce, &c. to be according to the new fiscal year.

Chap. CCXXVII.—An Act to make an appropriation for certain expenses in the erection of a penitentiary in the Territory of Iowa.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, granted and appropriated, out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, to pay for work heretofore actually done and materials furnished in the construction of a penitentiary in the Territory of Iowa; but no further work or materials are hereby authorized to be done or furnished for the completion of said penitentiary, on the faith of future appropriations by Congress, but the same are expressly prohibited.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

Chap. CCXXVIII.—An Act to provide an insane hospital for the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of the Public Buildings be, and he is hereby, authorized and required, under the direction of the President of the United States, and upon a plan to be by him approved, to cause such alterations to be made in the old jail as will adapt it for the reception and accommodation of the insane of the District of Columbia, and of such sick, disabled, and infirm

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seamen, soldiers, and others, as may, by competent authority, to be here-
after prescribed, be deemed proper to be received therein, which build-
ing, with one half of the ground occupied by the old and new jails, is
hereby assigned for those purposes.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That on the completion of the
said building, the President be authorized to appoint three respectable
persons, residents of the city of Washington, to be a board of inspec-
tors of the said institution, who shall hold their offices two years from
the date of their appointment; and whose duty it shall be to have a
general supervision of the concerns of the said hospital; to appoint
the necessary subordinate officers thereof; to prescribe rules for the ad-
mission and due regulation of patients therein, and to make an annual re-
port to Congress of their proceedings, and of the condition of the said
institution.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That there be, and there is hereby,
appropriated, the sum of ten thousand dollars for the alteration of the
said building, and improvement of the grounds, to be paid out of any
money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

Chap. CCLV.—An Act to provide for the publication of a new edition of the laws
and regulations of the Post Office Department, and a perfect list of the post-
offices in the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster Gen-
eral be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to cause to be collated
and printed in pamphlet form, suitably for distribution, a complete edi-
tion, of not less than eighteen thousand copies, of the laws relating to
the Post Office Department; together with the regulations established
by said Department for the better conduct of its business; and also a
new and complete list of all the post-offices in the United States; show-
ing their respective distances from Washington, and from the capitol
of the States in which the several offices are situated.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That for the purpose of carrying
into effect the provisions of this act, the sum of nine thousand one hun-
dred dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury
not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

Chap. CCLVI.—An Act for creating a new land district in the State of Mis-
souri, and for changing the boundaries of the southwestern and western land
districts in said State.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That all that portion of the
"western land district," created by an act of Congress, entitled "An
act to establish an additional land office in the State of Missouri," ap-
proved third of March eighteen hundred and twenty-three, which is
situated north of the Missouri river, together with the late northwest
addition to the State of Missouri, commonly known as the "Platte river
country," shall constitute a separate land district, to be called the Platte
district.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be a register and
a receiver appointed for said land district, who shall reside and super-
intend the sales of the public lands at such place as the President shall
designate. They shall give security in the same manner and in the
same sums, and their compensation, emoluments, duty, and authority,
shall, in every respect, be the same in relation to the lands which may
be disposed of at said office, as are or may be provided by law relative
to the registers andreceivers of public money in the several offices established for the sale of the public lands.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That all that part of the southwestern district of Missouri which is situated north of the line between townships thirty-four and thirty-five, and that portion of the Fayette land district lying west of the line dividing ranges twenty and twenty-one west, south of the Missouri river, is hereby annexed to, and shall make a part of the western or Lexington district of Missouri, the office for which district shall be located at such place as the President shall designate.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, as soon as the same can be done, to cause the plats of the surveys of the new district hereby created, and of the portion annexed to the western district, to be deposited in the proper offices, and he is hereby authorized to allow and pay, out of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, the reasonable expenses which may be incurred in carrying this act into effect.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after the expiration of six calendar months from the date of the passage thereof.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

Chap. CCLVII. — An Act to provide further remedial justice in the courts of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That either of the justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, or judge of any district court of the United States, in which a prisoner is confined, in addition to the authority already conferred by law, shall have power to grant writs of habeas corpus in all cases of any prisoner or prisoners in jail or confinement, where he, she, or they, being subjects or citizens of a foreign State, and domiciled therein, shall be committed or confined, or in custody, under or by any authority or law, or process found upon of the United States, or of any one of them, for or on account of any act done or omitted under any alleged right, title, authority, privilege, protection, or exemption, set up or claimed under the commission, or order, or sanction, of any foreign State or Sovereignty, the validity and effect whereof depend upon the law of nations, or under color thereof. And upon the return of the said writ, and due proof of the service of notice of the said proceeding to the Attorney General or other officer prosecuting the pleas of the State, under whose authority the petitioner has been arrested, committed, or is held in custody, to be prescribed by the said justice or judge at the time of granting said writ, the said justice or judge shall proceed to hear the said cause; and if, upon hearing the same, it shall appear that the prisoner or prisoners is or are entitled to be discharged from such confinement, commitment, custody or arrest, for or by reason of such alleged right, title, authority, privileges, protection or exemption, so set up and claimed, and the laws of nations applicable thereto, and that the same exists in fact, and has been duly proved to the said justice or judge, then it shall be the duty of the said justice or judge forthwith to discharge such prisoner or prisoners accordingly. And if it shall appear to the said justice or judge that such judgment or discharge ought not to be rendered, then the said prisoner or prisoners shall be forthwith remanded: Provided always, That from any decision of such justice or judge an appeal may be taken to the circuit court of the United States for the district in which the said cause is heard; and from the judgment of the said circuit court to the Supreme Court of the United States, on such

Part of certain districts annexed to the Lexington district.

Plots of surveys to be deposited in the proper offices.

Reasonable expenses to be paid.

Act when to take effect.

Statute II.

Aug. 29, 1842.

Act of Aug. 23, 1842, ch. 188. Justices of the Supreme Court &c. empowered to grant writs of habeas corpus when subjects of foreign States are in custody of the United States, &c.

If the prisoner is entitled to be discharged for the right, &c. claimed, the justice or judge shall forthwith discharge him.

Proviso.
in cases where the U. S. cannot issue patents, the certificates of purchase may be surrendered to be cancelled.

President may cause a resurvey of the unsold lands, &c.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the President of the United States, if he shall deem it expedient, to cause a resurvey of all or any part of the lands lying in said district remaining unsold, or the certificates for which may be surrendered in virtue of this or any other act of Congress, thereby correcting the surveys, and designating the lands covered by private claims under Spanish or French grants; and so soon as said resurveys shall have been returned and confirmed by the Secretary of the Treasury, the unsold public lands therein specified shall be subject to the laws for the disposal of the public lands, and patents therefor shall issue as in other cases: Provided, That purchasers aforesaid may retain their certificates of purchase, and the surveys of said tracts shall be corrected, and when said surveys are corrected, may receive their patents from the United States for the land so purchased by them.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

CHAP. CCLIX.—An Act to provide for the settlement of certain accounts for the support of Government in the Territory of Wisconsin, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be directed to audit and settle the accounts for the expenses of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Wisconsin, including the printing of the laws and other incidental expenses which have not heretofore been closed and settled at the Treasury Department; but no allowance shall be made for extra compensation to any member of the Legislative Assembly of said Ter-
ritory for extra services, except to the presiding officers of the two Houses of said Assembly, nor for extra compensation to the Secretary of said Territory, nor to the Clerk of either House of said Legislative Assembly for the performance of duties required by law, nor for any other purpose not authorized by the eleventh section of the act of Congress, approved April twenty, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An act establishing the Territorial Government of Wisconsin;" and the incidental expenses therein authorized shall be construed to be the ordinary and necessary expenses of the sessions of said Legislative Assembly, and no other.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That all accounts for disbursements in the Territories of the United States, of money appropriated by Congress for the support of Government therein, shall be settled and adjusted at the Treasury Department; and no act, resolution, or order, of the Legislature of any Territory, directing the expenditure of the sum, shall be deemed a sufficient authority for such disbursement, but sufficient vouchers and proof for the same shall be required by said accounting officers. And no payment shall be made or allowed, unless the Secretary of the Treasury shall have estimated thereof, and the object been approved by Congress. No session of the Legislature of a Territory shall be held until the appropriation for its expenses have been made. In the adjustment of said accounts, no charge for the services of a greater number of officers and attendants shall be allowed than for one secretary and assistant secretary, or clerk, one sergeant-at-arms, or doorkeeper, one messenger, and one foreman for each House of the Legislature, to neither of whom shall a greater compensation than three dollars per day be paid. And it shall be the duty of the Secretary of each Territory to prepare the acts passed by the Legislature for publication, and to furnish a copy thereof to the public printer of the Territory within ten days after the passage of each act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That whatever sum of money shall be found due, upon such auditing and settlement, beyond the amount of former appropriations, whether the same have been expended or not, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That said accounting officers of the Treasury be directed to audit and settle the accounts for expenses of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Florida, not heretofore audited and settled, in the same manner and upon the same principles herein prescribed for the settlement of the accounts of the Territory of Wisconsin; and whatever sum of money shall be found due, upon such auditing, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

1836, ch. 54.

Accounts of territories to be adjusted at the Treasury.

No payment to be made, unless approved by Congress.

Secretaries of territories to prepare the acts for publication.

Amount found due to be paid.

Chap. CCLX.—An Act supplementary to "An act to provide for the adjustment of titles to land in the town of Detroit, and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," passed April twenty-one, eighteen hundred and six.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the mayor, recorder, and aldermen of the city of Detroit, in the State of Michigan, be, and they, or a quorum of them in council assembled, are hereby, authorized to hear, examine, and finally adjust, all claims arising under the act to which this is supplementary, against the governor and judges of the late Territory of Michigan, and receive all moneys, or other rights to property to which the said governor and judges were entitled, or became entitled under said act.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said mayor, recorder,
Mayor, &c. authorized to receive journals, &c. of the board acting under act 21st April 1806, ch. 43.

Powers, &c. vested in said board, transferred to the mayor, &c. Mayor, &c. authorized to institute legal proceedings.

All property, except the court house and jail, vested in the mayor, &c.

and aldermen, of the said city of Detroit be, and they are hereby, entitled to receive from any person or persons having possession of the same, the journals, records, papers, and books of the governor and judges of the late Territory of Michigan, acting as a land board, under the Act of April twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred and six, to which this is a supplement; and that all powers and rights vested by the said act in the said governor and judges, for the purposes therein mentioned, are hereby transferred and vested in the mayor, recorder, and aldermen, of the city of Detroit, in the State of Michigan. And the said mayor, recorder, and aldermen, are hereby authorized to institute proceedings at law or in equity, in any court of competent jurisdiction, in all cases where it may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That any land or other property, real or personal, remaining, except the court-house and jail erected under the act to which this is a supplement, after satisfying all just claims provided for in the first section of the act to which this is a supplement, is hereby vested in the said mayor, recorder, and aldermen, of the city of Detroit, to be disposed of by them at their discretion to the best advantage; and they are hereby authorized to make deeds to purchasers thereof, or other sufficient conveyances; and the proceeds of the land or other property effects or claims so disposed of, and of other rights and claims of the said governor and judges, shall, after the payment of all necessary expenses incurred in giving effect to said act and to this act and in the adoption of such measures as they may deem necessary for preserving in proper form the records and other evidences of the proceedings of said governor and judges, be applied by the said mayor, recorder and aldermen, to such object or objects of public improvement in said city, as the said mayor, recorder, and aldermen, may in council direct. And the said mayor, recorder and aldermen are hereby required to take an oath or affirmation for the faithful discharge of their duties under this act, and make a report to Congress, in writing, of their proceedings, on or before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

Statute II.

Aug. 29, 1842.

Chap. CCLXI.—An Act to provide for the payment to the State of Louisiana of the balance due said State for expenditures incurred in raising, equipments, and paying off a regiment of volunteer militia, mustered into the service of the United States, and employed in the Florida war in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of sixty-one thousand three hundred and seventy-eight dollars and fifteen cents, be, and the said sum is hereby, appropriated, to pay the balance due the State of Louisiana for expenditures incurred in raising, equipments and paying off a regiment of volunteer militia, employed in the service of the United States in the Seminole war.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

Statute II.

Aug. 29, 1842.

Chap. CCLXII.—An Act to authorize the States of Indiana and Illinois to select certain quantities of land, in lieu of like quantities heretofore granted to the said States, for the construction of the Wabash and Erie and the Illinois and Michigan canals. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be vested

in the State of Indiana twenty-four thousand two hundred and nineteen acres, and fourteen-hundredths of an acre of land, to be selected under the authority of the Governor of said State, from any of the unsold public lands therein, not subject to the right of pre-emption, as an equivalent for certain lands covered by Indian reservations in the lands acquired by treaties with the Miami Indians, in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-seven and eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, respectively, and which, had said reservations not been permitted or allowed, would have belonged to said State in virtue of the act of the second of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, entitled "An act to grant a certain quantity of land to the State of Indiana, for the purpose of aiding said State in opening a canal to connect the waters of the Wabash river with those of Lake Erie."

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Governor of the State of Illinois is hereby authorized to cause to be selected, from any of the unsold public lands in that State, not subject to the right of pre-emption, the quantity of five thousand seven hundred and sixty acres, in lieu of sections numbered three and nine, in township thirty-two, north of range three east; sections thirteen and twenty-one, in township thirty-four, north of range six east; sections twenty-five and thirty-three, in township thirty-three, north of range eleven east; and sections thirteen, nineteen, and twenty-one, in township thirty-three, north of range eight, east of the third principal meridian, heretofore selected by the said State under "An act to grant a quantity of land to the State of Illinois, for the purpose of aiding in opening a canal to connect the waters of the Illinois river with those of Lake Michigan," but which had been sold and patented to individuals by the United States, before the location by the said State had been approved.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the selections of lands made under this act shall be reported by the Governors of the said States respectively, to the Secretary of the Treasury, and approved by the President of the United States.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXIII. — An Act in addition to an act to promote the progress of the useful arts, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts heretofore made for that purpose. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Treasurer of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized to pay back, out of the patent fund, any sum or sums of money, to any person who shall have paid the same into the Treasury, or to any receiver or depository to the credit of the Treasurer, as for fees accruing at the Patent Office through mistake, and which are not provided to be paid by existing laws, certificate thereof being made to said Treasurer by the Commissioner of Patents.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the third section of the act of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, which authorizes the renewing of patents lost prior to the fifteenth of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, is extended to patents granted prior to said fifteenth day of December, though they may have been lost subsequently: Provided, however, The same shall not have been recorded anew under the provisions of said act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That any citizen or citizens, or alien or aliens, having resided one year in the United States and taken

Lands to be selected in lieu of others granted for the Wabash and Erie canal.

1827, ch. 56.

Lands to be selected in lieu of others granted for the Illinois and Michigan canal.

1827, ch. 51.

Selections to be reported to Secretary of the Treasury, and approved by the President.

Statute II.

Aug. 29, 1842.

Act of July 4, 1836, ch. 357.
Act of March 3, 1839, ch. 88.
Treasurer authorized to pay back, out of the patent fund, certain money paid as fees.

Sec. 3, act of 3d March 1837, ch. 45, extended to patents granted prior to 15th Dec. 1836, though lost subsequently.

Provido. Citizens, &c. may obtain a patent, how.

(a) Notes of the acts passed relative to patents for useful inventions, vol. 1, 102, 318.
Notes of the decisions of the courts of the United States on the acts which have been passed relative to patents for useful inventions, vol. 1, 319, 320, 321.
the oath of his or their intention to become a citizen or citizens who by his, her, or their own industry, genius, efforts, and expense, may have invented or produced any new and original design for a manufac-
ture, whether of metal or other material or materials, or any new and original design for the printing of woollen, silk, cotton, or other fabrics, or any new and original design for a bust, statue, or bas relief or com-
position in alto or basso relievo, or any new and original impression or ornament, or to be placed on any article of manufacture, the same being formed in marble or other material, or any new and useful pattern, or print, or picture, to be either worked into or worked on, or printed or painted or cast or otherwise fixed on, any article of manufacture, or any new and original shape or configuration of any article of manufac-
ture not known or used by others before his, her, or their invention or production thereof, and prior to the time of his, her, or their application for a patent therefor, and who shall desire to obtain an exclusive property or right therein to make, use, and sell and vend the same, or copies of the same, to others, by them to be made, used, and sold, may make application in writing to the Commissioner of Patents expressing such desire, and the Commissioner, on due proceedings had, may grant a patent therefor, as in the case now of application for a patent: Pro-
vided, That the fee in such cases which by the now existing laws would be required of the particular applicant shall be one half the sum, and that the duration of said patent shall be seven years, and that all the regulations and provisions which now apply to the obtaining or protec-
tion of patents not inconsistent with the provisions of this act shall apply to applications under this section.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the oath required for appli-
cants for patents may be taken, when the applicant is not, for the time being, residing in the United States, before any minister, pleni-
potentiary, chargé d'affaires, consul, or commercial agent holding commis-
sion under the Government of the United States, or before any notary public of the foreign country in which such applicant may be.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That if any person or persons shall paint or print, or mould, cast, carve, or engrave, or stamp, upon any thing made, used, or sold, by him, for the sole making or selling which he hath not or shall not have obtained letters patent, the name or any imitation of the name of any other person who hath or shall have obtained letters patent for the sole making and vending of such thing, without consent of such patentee, or his assigns or legal representatives; or if any person, upon any such thing not having been purchased, from the patentee, or some person who purchased it from or under such pat-
tee, or not having the license or consent of such patentee, or his assigns or legal representatives, shall write, paint, print, mould, cast, carve, engrave, stamp, or otherwise make or affix the word "patent," or the words "letters patent," or the word "patentee," or any word or words of like kind, meaning, or import, with the view or intent of imita-
ting or counterfeiting the stamp, mark, or other device of the patentee, or shall affix the same or any word, stamp, or device, of like import, on any unpatented article, for the purpose of deceiving the public; he, she, or they, so offending, shall be liable for such offence, to a penalty of not less than one hundred dollars, with costs, to be recovered by action in any of the circuit courts of the United States, or in any of the district courts of the United States, having the powers and jurisdiction of a circuit court; one half of which penalty, as recovered, shall be paid to the patent fund, and the other half to any person or persons who shall sue for the same.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That all patentees and assignees of patents hereafter granted, are hereby required to stamp, engrave, or cause to be stamped or engraved, on each article vended, or offered for
sale, the date of the patent; and if any person or persons, patentees or assignees, shall neglect to do so, he, she, or they, shall be liable to the same penalty, to be recovered and disposed of in the manner specified in the foregoing fifth section of this act.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXIV.—An Act to provide for the reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the reporter who shall, from time to time, be appointed by the Supreme Court, shall be entitled to receive from the Treasury of the United States, as an annual compensation for his services, and for the copy of the annual volumes of the reports he is hereinafter required to deliver to the Secretary of State, the sum of thirteen hundred dollars: Provided, That the compensation shall not be paid unless the said reporter shall print and publish, or cause to be printed and published, the decisions of the said court, made during the time he shall act as such reporter, within six months after the said decisions shall be made: And provided also, That he shall deliver to the Secretary of State, in lieu of the eighty copies of the annual reports which by former acts he was required to deliver, one hundred and fifty copies of the said reports, so printed and published, which said copies shall be distributed as follows, to wit: to the President of the United States, the justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, the judges of the district courts, the Attorney General of the United States, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Navy, the Postmaster General, the First and Second Comptrollers of the Treasury, the Solicitor of the Treasury, the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Auditors of the Treasury, the Auditor of the General Post Office, the Treasurer of the United States, the Register of the Treasury, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Paymaster General, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the Commissioner of Pensions, the judges of the several territorial courts of the United States, the Governors of the Territories of the United States, the Secretary of the Senate for the use of the Senate, the Clerk of the House of Representatives for the use of the House of Representatives, and to the Commissioners of the Navy, each one copy; to the Secretary of the Senate for the use of the standing committees of the Senate, ten copies; and to the Clerk of the House of Representatives, for the use of the standing committees of the House, twelve copies; and the residue of said copies shall be deposited in the library of Congress, to become a part of the said library: And provided also, That the volumes of the decisions of the Supreme Court shall not be sold by the reporter to the public at large, for a greater price than five dollars for each volume.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in case of the death, resignation, or dismission from office, of either of the aforesaid officers, the said copies of the decisions of the Supreme Court shall belong to, and be delivered up to their respective successors in said offices.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXV.—An Act making an appropriation for the erection of a marine hospital at or near Ocracoke, in North Carolina.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of ten

(a) Notes of the acts relative to a reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States, vol. 3, 376.

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STATUTE II.

Aug. 29, 1842. [Obsolete.]

CHAP. CCLXVI.—An Act making appropriations for certain sites for marine hospitals therein mentioned.

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 sites for marine hospitals, selected and purchased under the act of March third, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, entitled "An act to provide for certain harbors, and for the removal of obstructions in and at the mouths of certain rivers, and for other purposes," viz:

Natchez.
For a site for a marine hospital at Natchez, in the State of Mississippi, seven thousand dollars.

Napoleon.
For a site for a marine hospital at Napoleon, in the State of Arkansas, one thousand dollars.

St. Louis.
For the site for a marine hospital at St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, seven thousand four hundred and sixty-eight dollars.

Paducah.
For the site for a marine hospital at Paducah, in the State of Kentucky, one thousand dollars.

Louisville.
For the site for a marine hospital at Louisville, in the State of Kentucky, six thousand dollars.

Pittsburg.
For the site for a marine hospital at Pittsburg, in the State of Pennsylvania, ten thousand two hundred and fifty-three dollars.

Cleveland.
For the site for a marine hospital at Cleveland, in the State of Ohio, twelve thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said several sums of money be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

STATUTE II.

Aug. 29, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXVII.—An Act to establish and regulate the navy ration.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the navy ration shall consist of the following daily allowance of provisions for each person:

One pound of salted pork, with half a pint of peas or beans; or one pound of salted beef, with half a pound of flour, and a quarter of a pound of raisins, dried apples, or other dried fruits; or one pound of salt beef with half a pound of rice, two ounces of butter, and two ounces of cheese; together with fourteen ounces of biscuit, one quarter of an ounce of tea, or ounce of coffee, or one ounce of cocoa; two ounces of sugar, and one gill of spirits; and of a weekly allowance of half a pound of pickles or cranberries, half a pint of molasses, and half a pint of vinegar.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That fresh meat may be substituted for salted beef or pork, and vegetables or sour-crout for the other articles usually issued with the salted meats, allowing one and a quarter pounds of fresh meat for one pound of salted beef or pork, and regulating the quantity of vegetables or sour-crout so as to equal the value of those articles for which they may be substituted.
SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That, should it be necessary to vary the above described daily allowance, it shall be lawful to substitute one pound of soft bread, or one pound of flour, or half a pound of rice, for fourteen ounces of biscuit; half a pint of wine for a gill of spirits; half a pound of rice for half a pint of beans or peas; half a pint of beans or peas for half a pound of rice. When it may be deemed expedient by the President of the United States, Secretary of the Navy, commander of a fleet or squadron, or of a single ship when not acting under the authority of another officer on foreign service, the articles of butter, cheese, raisins, dried apples or other dried fruits, pickles and molasses, may be substituted for each other and for spirits: Provided, The article substituted shall not exceed in value the article for which it may be issued, according to the scale of prices which is or may be established for the same.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That in cases of necessity, the daily allowance of provisions may be diminished or varied by the discretion of the senior officer present in command, but payment shall be made to the persons whose allowance shall be thus diminished, according to the scale of prices which is or may be established for the same; but a commander who shall thus make a diminution or variation shall report to his commanding officer or to the Navy Department, the necessity for the same, and give to the purser written orders specifying particularly the diminution or reduction which is to be made.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That no commissioned officer or midshipman, or any person under twenty-one years of age, shall be allowed to draw the spirit part of the daily ration, and all other persons shall be permitted to relinquish that part of their ration, under such restrictions as the President of the United States may authorize: and to every person who, by this section, is prohibited from drawing, or who may relinquish, the spirit part of his ration, there shall be paid in lieu thereof, the value of the same in money, according to the prices which are or may be established for the same.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this act shall go into effect in the United States, on the first day of the succeeding quarter after it becomes a law, and in vessels abroad, on the first day of the succeeding quarter after its official receipt: and any acts and parts of acts which may be contrary to, or inconsistent with, the provisions of this act, shall be and are hereby repealed.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXVIII.—An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to contract for the purchase, for the United States, of the right to use Babbit's anti-attrition metal.

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 hereby is, authorized to contract for the purchase, from the proprietor of the patented interest therein, for the United States, of the right to use Babbit's anti-attrition metal in the construction of machinery and other work; subject to the ratification of Congress.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXIX.—An Act establishing a court at Charleston, in the Commonwealth of Virginia. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter terms of the

(a) See notes of the acts relating to the District Courts of Virginia, vol. 3, 479.
District Court to be held at Charleston, in lieu of Lewisburg.

The duties to be paid hereafter on the following articles.

Wool unmanufactured.

Manufactures of wool.

Carpetings.

Blankets.

district court for the western district of Virginia, be held at Charleston, in the county of Kenawha, commencing on the Wednesdays after the second Mondays in April and September of each year, in lieu of the sessions of said district court now held at Lewisburg, in the county of Greenbriar, which said last mentioned sessions of said court are hereby discontinued.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

STATUTE II.

Aug. 30, 1842.

1842, ch. 74.

The duties to be paid hereafter on the following articles.

Wool unmanufactured.

Chap. CCLXX.—An Act to provide revenue from imports, and to change and modify existing laws imposing duties on imports, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, in lieu of the duties heretofore imposed by law on the articles hereinafter mentioned, and on such as may now be exempt from duty, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, the following duties, that is to say:

First. On coarse wool unmanufactured, the value whereof, at the last port or place whence exported to the United States, shall be seven cents or under per pound, there shall be levied a duty of five per centum ad valorem; and on all other unmanufactured wool, there shall be levied a duty of three cents per pound, and thirty per centum ad valorem: Provided, That when wool of different qualities of the same kind or sort, is imported in the same bale, bag, or package, and the aggregate value of the contents of the bale, bag, or package, shall be appraised by the appraisers, at a rate exceeding seven cents per pound, it shall be charged with a duty in conformity to such appraisal: Provided further, That when wool of different qualities, and different kinds or sorts, is imported in the same bale, bag, or package, the contents of the bale, bag, or package, shall be appraised at the value of the finest or most valuable kind or sort, and a duty charged thereon accordingly: Provided further, That if bales of different qualities are embraced in the same invoice, at the same price, the value of the whole shall be appraised according to the value of the bale of the best quality: Provided further, That if any wool be imported having in it dirt, or any material or impurities, other than those naturally belonging to the fleece, and thus be reduced in value to seven cents per pound or under, the appraisers shall appraise said wool at such price, as in their opinion, it would have cost had it not been so mixed with such dirt or impurities, and a duty shall be charged thereon in conformity to such appraisal: Provided also, That wool imported on the skin shall be estimated as to weight and value as other wool.

Second. On all manufactures of wool, or of which wool shall be a component part, except carpetings, flannels,ockings and baizes, blankets, worsted stuff goods, ready-made clothing, hosiery, mitts, gloves, caps, and bindings, a duty of forty per centum.

Third. On Wilton carpets and carpeting, treble ingrain, Saxony, and Aubusson carpets and carpeting, a duty of sixty-five cents per square yard; on Brussels and Turkey carpets and carpeting, fifty-five cents per square yard; on all Venetian and ingrain carpets and carpetings, thirty cents per square yard; on all other kinds of carpets and carpeting, of wool, hemp, flax, or cotton, or parts of either, or other material not otherwise specified, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem: Provided, That bed sides and other portions of carpets or carpetings shall pay the rate of duty herein imposed on carpets or carpeting of similar character.

Fourth. On woollen blankets, the actual value of which at the place whence imported shall not exceed seventy-five cents each, and of the dimensions not exceeding seventy-two by fifty-two inches each, nor less
than forty-five by sixty inches each, a duty of fifteen per centum ad valorem; and on all other woollen blankets, a duty of twenty-five per centum ad valorem.

Fifth. On all manufactures, not otherwise specified, of combed wool or worsted, and manufactures of worsted and silk combined, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem; on all hearth rugs, an ad valorem duty of forty per centum.

Sixth. On woollen and worsted yarn, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem.

Seventh. On woollen and worsted mits, gloves, caps, and bindings, and on woollen or worsted hosiery, that is to say, stockings, socks, drawers, shirts, and all other similar manufactures made on frames, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem.

Eighth. On flannels, of whatever material composed, except cotton, a duty of fourteen cents per square yard on bockings and baizes, fourteen cents per square yard on coach laces, thirty-five per centum ad valorem; on Thibet, Angora, and all other goats' hair or mohair unmanufactured, one cent per pound; on camlets, blankets, coatings, and all other manufactures of goats' hair or mohair, twenty per centum ad valorem.

Ninth. On ready-made clothing, of whatever materials composed, worn by men, women, or children, except gloves, mits, stockings, socks, wove shirts and drawers, and all other similar manufactures made on frames, hats, bonnets, shoes, boots, and bootees, imported in a state ready to be used as clothing by men, women or children, made up either by the tailor, manufacturer, or seamstress, an ad valorem duty of fifty per centum; on all articles worn by men, women, or children, other than as above specified or excepted, of whatever materials composed, made up wholly or in part by hand, a duty of forty per centum ad valorem; on all thread laces and insertings, fifteen per centum ad valorem; on cotton laces, quillings, and insertings, usually known as trimming laces, and on bobbinet laces of cotton, twenty per centum ad valorem; on laces, galloons, tresses, tassels, knots, and stars of gold or silver, fine or half fine, fifteen per centum ad valorem; on all articles embroidered in gold or silver, fine or half fine, when finished, other than clothing, twenty per centum ad valorem; and on clothing, finished in whole or in part, embroidered in gold or silver, fifty per centum ad valorem.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passage of this act, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the importation of the articles hereinafter mentioned, the following duties; that is to say:

First. On cotton unmanufactured, a duty of three cents per pound.

Second. On all manufactures of cotton, or of which cotton shall be a component part, not otherwise specified, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem, excepting such cotton twist, yarn, and thread, and such other articles as are herein provided for: Provided, That all manufactures of cotton or of which cotton shall be a component part, not dyed, colored, printed, or stained, not exceeding in value twenty cents per square yard, shall be valued at twenty cents per square yard; and if dyed, colored, printed, or stained, in whole or in part, not exceeding in value thirty cents the square yard, shall be valued at thirty cents per square yard, excepting velvets, cords, moleskins, fustians, buffalo cloths, or goods manufactured by napping or raising, cutting or shearing, not exceeding in value thirty-five cents the square yard, shall be valued at thirty-five cents per square yard, and duty be paid thereon accordingly.

Third. All cotton twist, yarn, and thread, unbleached and uncolored, the true value of which at the place whence imported shall be less than sixty cents per pound, shall be valued at sixty cents per pound, and shall be charged with a duty of twenty-five per centum ad valorem; all

Manufactures of combed wool, &c.

Yarn.

Gloves, caps, bindings and hosiery.

Flannels, bockings, &c.

Goats' hair, &c.

Clothing, &c.

Thread laces, &c.

Gold and silver laces, &c.

Cotton unmanufactured.

Manufactures of cotton.

Cotton twist, yarn, and thread.
bleached or colored cotton twist, yarn, and thread, the true value of which
at the place whence imported shall be less than seventy-five cents per
pound, shall be valued at seventy-five cents per pound, and pay a duty
of twenty-five per centum ad valorem; all other cotton twist, yarn, and
thread, on spools or otherwise, shall pay a duty of thirty per centum ad
valorem.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage
of this act, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the importation
of the articles hereinafter mentioned, the following duties; that is to say;

First. On all manufactures of silk not otherwise specified, except
bolting cloths, two dollars and fifty cents per pound of sixteen ounces;
on silk bolting cloths, twenty per centum ad valorem: Provided, That
if any silk manufacture shall be mixed with gold or silver, or other
metal, it shall pay a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem.

Second. On sewing silk, silk twist, or twist composed of silk and
mohair, a duty of two dollars per pound of sixteen ounces; on pongees
and plain white silks for printing or coloring, one dollar and fifty cents
per pound of sixteen ounces; on floss and other similar silks, purified
from the gum, dyed, and prepared for manufacture, a duty of twenty-
five per centum ad valorem; on raw silk, comprehending all silks in the
gum, whether in hanks, reeled, or otherwise, a duty of fifty cents per
pound of sixteen ounces; on silk umbrellas, parasols, and sunshades,
 thirty per centum ad valorem; on silk or satin shoes and slippers, for
women or men, thirty cents per pair; silk or satin laced boots or bootees,
for women or men, seventy-five cents a pair; silk or satin shoes or slip-
pers, for children, fifteen cents per pair; silk or satin laced boots or
bootees, for children, twenty-five cents a pair; on men's silk hats, one
dollar each; silk or satin hats or bonnets for women, two dollars each;

on silk shirts and drawers, whether made up wholly or in part, forty per
centum ad valorem; silk caps for women, and turbans, ornaments for
head dress, aprons, collars, caps, cuffs, braids, curls, or frizettes, che-

misettes, mantillas, pelerines, and all other articles of silk made up by
hand in whole or in part, and not otherwise provided for, a duty of thirty
per centum ad valorem.

Third. On unmanufactured hemp, forty dollars per ton; on Manilla,
Sunn, and other hampes of India, on jute, Sisal grass, coir and other
vegetable substances, not enumerated, used for cordage, twenty-five dol-
ars per ton; on codilla, or tow of hemp or flax, twenty dollars per ton;
on tarred cables and cordage, five cents per pound; on un tarred corda-
age, four and a half cents per pound; yarins, twine, and packthread, six
cents per pound; on seines, seven cents per pound: on cotton bagging,
four cents per square yard, on any other manufacture not otherwise spe-
cified, suitable for the uses to which cotton bagging is applied, whether
composed in whole or in part of hemp or flax, or any other material, or
imported under the designation of gunny cloth, or any other appellation,
and without regard to the weight or width, a duty of five cents per
square yard; on sail duck, seven cents per square yard; Russia and
other sheetings, brown and white, twenty-five per centum ad valorem;
and on all other manufactures of hemp, of which hemp shall be a
component part, not specified, twenty per centum ad valorem; on un-
manufactured flax, twenty dollars per ton; on linen, and all other
manufactures of flax, or of which flax shall be a component part, not
otherwise specified, a duty of twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on
glass cloth, a duty of twenty-five per centum ad valorem.

Fourth. On stamped, printed, or painted floor oil cloth, thirty-five
cents per square yard; on furniture oil cloth made on Canton or cotton
flannel, sixteen cents per square yard; on other furniture oil cloth, ten
cents per square yard: on oil cloth of linen, silk, or other materials,
used for hat covers, aprons, coach curtains, or similar purposes, and on medicated oil cloths, a duty of twelve and a half cents per square yard; on Chinese or other floor matting, made of flags, jute, or grass, on all floor mattings not otherwise specified, and on mats, of whatever materials composed, twenty-five per centum ad valorem.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passage of this act, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the importation of the articles hereinafter mentioned, the following duties, that is to say:

First. On iron in bars or bolts, not manufactured in whole or in part by rolling, seventeen dollars per ton; on bar or bolt iron, made wholly or in part by rolling, twenty-five dollars per ton:Provided, That all iron in slabs, blooms, loops, or other form, less finished than iron in bars or bolts, and more advanced than pig iron, except castings, shall be rated as iron in bars or bolts, and pay a duty accordingly:Provided, also, That iron imported prior to the third day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, in bars or otherwise, for railways or inclined planes, shall be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of existing laws, exempting it from the payment of duty on proof of its having been actually and permanently laid down for use on any railway or inclined plane prior to the third day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, and all such iron imported from and after the date aforesaid, shall be subject to and pay the duty on rolled iron.

Second. On iron in pigs, nine dollars per ton; on vessels of cast iron, not otherwise specified, one cent and a half per pound; on all other castings of iron, not otherwise specified, one cent per pound; on glazed or tin hollow ware and castings, sad irons or smoothing irons, hatters and tailors' pressing irons, and cast iron butts or hinges, two and a half cents per pound; on iron or steel wire, not exceeding No. 14, five cents per pound; and over No. 14, and not exceeding No. 25, eight cents per pound; over No. 25, eleven cents per pound; silvered or plated wire, thirty per centum ad valorem; brass or copper wire, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; cap or bonnet wire, covered with silk, twelve cents per pound; when covered with cotton thread or other material, eight cents per pound; on round or square iron, or braziers' rods, of three sixteenths, to ten sixteenths of an inch in diameter, inclusive, and on iron in nail or spike rods, or nail plates, slit, rolled, or hammered, and on iron in sheets, except taggers' iron, and on hoop iron, and on iron slit, rolled or hammered for band iron, scroll iron, or casement rods, iron cables or chains, or parts thereof, manufactured in whole or in part, of whatever diameter, the links being of the form peculiar to chains for cables, two and a half cents per pound; on all other chains of iron, not otherwise specified, the links being either twisted or straight, and, when straight, of greater length than those used in chains for cables, thirty per centum ad valorem; on anchors or parts of anchors, manufactured in whole or in part, anvils, blacksmiths' hammers and sledges, two and a half cents per pound; on cut or wrought iron spikes, three cents per pound; and on cut iron nails, three cents per pound; and on wrought iron nails, on axletrees, or parts thereof, mill irons and mill cranks of wrought iron, or wrought iron for ships, locomotives, and steam engines, or iron chains other than chain cables, and on malleable irons or castings, four cents per pound; on steam, gas, or water tubes or pipes, made of band or rolled iron, five cents per pound; on mill saws, cross-cut saws, and pit saws, one dollar each; on tacks, brads, and sprigs, not exceeding sixteen ounces to the thousand, five cents per thousand; exceeding sixteen ounces to the thousand, five cents per pound; on taggers' iron, five per centum ad valorem:Provided, That all articles partially manufactured, not otherwise provided for, shall pay the same rate of duty as if wholly manufactured:And

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Matting.

Iron in bars or bolts, &c.

Iron imported prior to 3d March 1843, for railways or inclined planes, exempt from duty.


Wire.

Various other manufactures of iron and steel.
provided, also, That no articles manufactured from steel, sheet, rod, hoop, or other kinds of iron, shall pay a less rate of duty than is chargeable on the material of which it is composed, in whole or in part, paying the highest rate of duty either by weight or value, and a duty of fifteen per centum ad valorem on the cost of the article added thereto.

Third. On all old or scrap iron, ten dollars per ton: Provided, That nothing shall be deemed old iron that has not been in actual use, and fit only to be remanufactured; and all pieces of iron, except old, of more than six inches in length, or of sufficient length to be made into spikes and bolts, shall be rated as bar, bolt, rod, or hoop iron, as the case may be, and pay duty accordingly: Provided, also, That all vessels of cast iron, and all castings of iron not rough as from the mould, but partially manufactured after the casting, or with handles, rings, hoops, or other additions of wrought iron, shall pay the same rates of duty herein imposed on all other manufactures of wrought iron not herein enumerated, if that shall amount to more than the duty on castings.

Fourth. On muskets, one dollar and fifty cents per stand; rifles, two dollars and fifty cents each; on axes, adzes, hatchets, plane irons, socket chisels and vices, drawing knives, cutting knives, sickles or reaping hooks, scythes, spades, shovels, squares of iron or steel, plated or polished steel saddlery and brass saddlery, coach and harness furniture of all descriptions, steelyards and scale beams, and all fire arms other than muskets and rifles, and all side arms, thirty per centum ad valorem; on square wire, used for the manufacture of stretchers for umbrellas, when cut in pieces not exceeding the length suitable therefor, twelve and a half per centum ad valorem.

Fifth. On screws made of iron called wood screws, twelve cents per pound; on all other screws of iron not specified, thirty per centum ad valorem; on brass screws, thirty cents per pound; on sheet and rolled brass, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem; on brass battery, or hammered kettles, twelve cents per pound.

Sixth. On cast, shear, and German steel in bars, one dollar and fifty cents per one hundred and twelve pounds; and on all other steel in bars, two dollars and fifty cents per one hundred and twelve pounds; on solid headed pins, and all other package pins, not exceeding five thousand to the pack of twelve papers, forty cents per pack, and the same in proportion for a greater or less quantity; on pound pins, twenty cents per pound; on sewing, tambouring, darning, netting, and knitting, and all other kinds of needles, a duty of twenty per centum ad valorem; on common tinned, and japanned saddlery, of all descriptions, twenty per centum ad valorem.

Seventh. On japanned ware of all kinds, or papier mache, and plated and gilt wares of all kinds, and on cutlery of all kinds, and all other manufactures, not otherwise specified, made of brass, iron, steel, lead, copper, pewter, or tin, or of which either of these metals is a component material, thirty per centum ad valorem: Provided, That all manufactures of iron and steel, or other metals, partly finished, shall pay the same rates of duty as if entirely finished.

Eighth. On lead in pigs and bars, three cents per pound; on old and scrap lead, one cent and a half per pound; leaden pipes, leaden shot, and lead in sheets, or in any other form not herein specified, four cents per pound; on type metal and stereotype plates, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; types, whether new or old, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on copper bottoms cut round, and copper bottoms raised at the edge, and still bottoms cut round and turned up on the edge, and parts thereof, and on copper plates or sheets weighing more than thirty-four ounces per square foot, commonly called braziers' copper, thirty per centum ad valorem; on copper rods and bolts, nails and spikes, four...
cents per pound; on patent sheathing metal composed in part of copper, two cents per pound.

Ninth. On tin, in pigs, bars, or blocks, one per centum ad valorem; tin in plates or sheets, terne plates, taggers’ tin, and tin foil, two and a half per centum ad valorem; on silver-plated metal in sheets, and on argentine, alabata, or German silver, in sheets or otherwise, unmanufactured, thirty per centum ad valorem; on manufactures of German silver, bell metal, zinc, and bronze, thirty per centum ad valorem; on zinc in sheets, ten per centum ad valorem: Provided, That old bells, or parts thereof, fit only to be remanufactured, shall not be considered manufactures of bell metal, but shall be admitted free of duty; on bronze powder, bronze liquor, iron liquor, red liquor, and seppia, twenty per centum ad valorem.

Tenth. On coal, one dollar and seventy-five cents per ton; on coke or culm of coal, five cents per bushel.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passage of this act, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the importation of articles hereinafter mentioned, the following duties; that is to say:

First. On all vessels or wares, articles, and manufactures of cut glass, when the cutting on the article does not exceed one-third the height or length thereof, a duty of twenty-five cents per pound; when the cutting exceeds one-third the height or length, but does not exceed one half the same, a duty of thirty-five cents per pound; when the cutting extends to or exceeds one-half the height or length thereof, a duty of forty-five cents per pound; on cut glass chandeliers, candlesticks, lustres, lenses, lamps, prisms and parts of the same, and on all drops, icicles, spangles, and ornaments used for mountings, a duty of forty-five cents per pound; on articles of plain, moulded, or pressed glass, weighing over eight ounces, a duty of ten cents per pound; on articles of plain, moulded, or pressed glass, weighing eight ounces or under, except tumblers, a duty of twelve cents per pound; on plain, moulded, or pressed tumblers, ten cents per pound; on all plain, moulded or pressed glass, when stoppered, or the bottoms ground, or puntied, an additional duty of four cents per pound: Provided, That all articles of moulded or pressed glass, being cut, roughed, or polished, in part or parts thereof, and all other wares or articles of flint glass, not otherwise specified, shall pay the duty chargeable on articles of cut glass of the description and class to which they may severally belong.

Second. On all apothecaries’ vials and bottles, not exceeding the capacity of six ounces each, one dollar and seventy-five cents per gross; apothecaries’ vials and bottles exceeding six ounces, and not exceeding the capacity of sixteen ounces each, two dollars and twenty-five cents per gross; on all perfumery and fancy vials and bottles, uncut, not exceeding the capacity of four ounces each, two dollars and fifty cents per gross; and those exceeding four ounces, and not exceeding, in capacity, sixteen ounces each, three dollars per gross.

Third. On black and green glass bottles and jars, exceeding eight ounces, and not exceeding in capacity, one quart each, a duty of three dollars per gross; when exceeding the capacity of one quart each, four dollars per gross; on demijohns and carboys, of the capacity of half a gallon or less, fifteen cents each; when exceeding, in capacity, half a gallon, and not exceeding three gallons each, a duty of thirty cents each; exceeding three gallons, fifty cents each.

Fourth. On cylinder or broad window-glass, not exceeding eight by ten inches, two cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding ten by twelve inches, two and a half cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding fourteen by ten inches, three and a half cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding sixteen by eleven inches, four cents
Glass in sheets or tables.

Plate glass.

Porcelain glass, colored glass, &c.

China ware, &c.

Leather, &c.

Shoes and boots.

Raw hides, &c.

Manufactures of leather.

per square foot; above that, and not exceeding eighteen by twelve inches, five cents per square foot; above eighteen by twelve inches, six cents per square foot. On all crown window-glass not exceeding ten by eight inches, three and a half cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding ten by twelve inches, five cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding fourteen by ten inches, six cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding sixteen by eleven inches, seven cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding eighteen by twelve inches, eight cents per square foot; and all exceeding eighteen by twelve inches, ten cents per square foot: Provided, That all glass imported in sheets or tables, without reference to form, shall pay the highest duties herein imposed on the different descriptions of window-glass. On all polished plate glass, whether imported as window-glass, or however otherwise specified, not silvered, and not exceeding twelve by eight inches, five cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding fourteen by ten inches, seven cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding sixteen by eleven inches, eight cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding eighteen by twelve inches, ten cents per square foot; above that, and not exceeding twenty-two by fourteen inches, twelve cents per square foot; all above twenty-two by fourteen inches, thirty per centum ad valorem; if silvered, an addition of twenty per centum shall be made to the duty; if framed, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem: Provided, That on all cylinder or broad glass, weighing over one hundred pounds per one hundred square feet, and on all crown glass weighing over one hundred and sixty pounds per one hundred square feet, there shall be an additional duty on the excess at the same rate as herein imposed.

On porcelain glass, on glass colored, or paintings on glass, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem; on all articles or manufactures of glass not specified, connected with other materials, rendering it impracticable to separate it and determine its weight, twenty-five per centum ad valorem.

Fifth. On China-ware, porcelain-ware, earthen-ware, stone-ware, and all other ware composed of earth or mineral substances, not otherwise specified, whether gilt, painted, printed, plain, or glazed, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem.

Sixth. On tanned, sole or bend leather, six cents per pound; on all upper leather not otherwise specified, eight cents per pound; on calf and seal skins tanned and dressed, five dollars per dozen; on sheep skins tanned and dressed, or skivers, two dollars per dozen; on goat skins or morocco tanned and dressed, two dollars and fifty cents per dozen; on kid skins or morocco tanned and dressed, one dollar and fifty cents per dozen; on goat or sheep skins tanned and not dressed, one dollar per dozen; on all kid and lamb skins tanned and not dressed, seventy-five cents per dozen; and on skins tanned and dressed, otherwise than in color, to wit: fawn, kid, and lamb, usually known as chamois, one dollar per dozen; on men's boots and bootees of leather, wholly or partially manufactured, one dollar and twenty-five cents per pair; men's shoes or pumps, wholly or partially manufactured, thirty cents per pair; women's boots and bootees of leather, wholly or partially manufactured, fifty cents per pair; children's boots, bootees, and shoes, wholly or partially manufactured, fifteen cents per pair; women's double-soled pumps and welts, wholly or partially manufactured, forty cents per pair; women's shoes or slippers, wholly or partially manufactured, whether of leather, trunella, or other material, except silk, twenty-five cents per pair; on raw hides of all kinds, whether dried or salted, five per centum ad valorem; on all skins pickled and in casks, not specified, twenty per centum ad valorem.

Seventh. On men's leather gloves, one dollar and twenty-five cents
Braces, of materials other than India rubber.

Furs, &c.

Hats and bonnets of straw, &c.

Feathers, artificial flowers, hair, moss, &c.

India rubber articles.

Clocks, diamonds, watch and spectacle glasses, precious stones, jewelry, table tops, alabaster ornaments, plate, &c.
specified, of silver or gold, or of which either of these metals shall be a component material of chief value, whether plain, chased, engraved, or embossed, an ad valorem duty of thirty per centum.

Eleventh. On all manufactures of wood, not otherwise specified, thirty per centum ad valorem: Provided, That boards, planks, staves, scantlings, hewn or sawed timber, unwrought spars, and all other descriptions of wood which shall have been wrought into shapes that fit them, respectively, for any specific and permanent use without further manufacture, shall be deemed and taken as manufactured wood, and pay duty accordingly; and on timber to be used in building wharves, and firewood, twenty per centum ad valorem: Provided, also, That rough boards, planks, staves, scantling, and sawed timber, not planed or wrought into any shapes for use, shall pay a duty of twenty per centum ad valorem: And provided, further, That rose wood, satin wood, mahogany, and cedar wood, shall pay a duty of fifteen per centum ad valorem; on walking canes and sticks, frames and sticks for umbrellas, for parasols, and for sunshades, cabinet wares or household furniture, not otherwise specified, musical instruments of all kinds, carriages and parts thereof, thirty per centum ad valorem: Provided, also, That strings for musical instruments, of catgut or whipgut, and all other strings or thread of similar materials, shall pay a duty of fifteen per centum ad valorem.

Twelfth. On unmanufactured marble in the rough, slab, or block, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on marble busts or statuary, not specially imported, as hereinafter provided for, and on all other manufactures of marble not specified, a duty of thirty per centum ad valorem; on slates of all kinds, paving tiles and bricks, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on baskets and other manufactures, not specified, of grass, straw, ozier or willow, and palm leaf, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on wax, amber, or composition beads, and all other beads not otherwise enumerated, and shell or fancy boxes, not otherwise specified, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on combs for the hair, of whatever material composed, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on brushes and brooms of all kinds, thirty per centum ad valorem; and on bristles, one cent per pound; on dolls and toys of every description, of whatever material or materials composed, thirty per centum ad valorem; on metal buttons of all kinds, thirty per centum ad valorem: Provided, That all such buttons, not exceeding in value one dollar per gross, shall be valued at one dollar, and be charged with duty accordingly; on all other buttons, and on all button moulds, of whatever material composed, twenty-five per centum ad valorem: Provided, That lastings, prunellas, and similar fabrics, not specified, when imported in strips, pieces or patterns, of the size and shape suitable for the manufacture exclusively of buttons, shoes, or bootees, and that mohair or worsted cloth, black linen canvas, figured satin, and figured or brocaded or Terry velvet, when imported in strips, pieces, or patterns, of the size and shape suitable for the manufacture exclusively of buttons, tortoise shell, ivory, teeth, horns, &c.

Painters' colors, oils, &c.
half per pound; on sulphate of barytes, one half cent per pound; on
linseed, hempseed, and rapeseed oil, twenty-five cents per gallon; on
putty, one cent and a half per pound.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage
of this act there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the importation
of the articles hereinafter mentioned, the following rates of duty; that
is to say:

First. On bank, folio, quarto post of all kinds, and letter and bank
note paper, seventeen cents per pound; on antiquarian, deny, drawing,
elephant, double elephant, foolscape, imperial, medium, pot, pith, royal,
super-royal, and writing paper, fifteen cents per pound; on copperplate,
blotting, copying, colored for labels, colored for needles, marble or fancy
colored, glass paper, morocco paper, pasteboard, pressing-board, sand
paper, tissue paper, and on all gold or silver paper, whether in sheets or
strips, twelve and a half cents per pound; on colored copperplate, print-
ing, and stainers' paper, ten cents per pound; on binders' boards, box
boards, mill boards, paper-makers' boards, sheathing, wrapping, and
cardboard paper, three cents per pound; and on all paper envelopes,
whether plain, ornamental, or colored, and on all billet-doux or fancy
note paper, of whatever form or size, when of less size than letter
paper, thirty per centum ad valorem; on music paper, with lines, and
on paper gilt or covered with metal other than gold or silver, paper
snuff boxes, japanned or not japanned, and other fancy paper boxes,
twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on all paper hangings, or paper for
screens or fireboards, thirty-five per centum ad valorem; on all blank or
visiting cards, twelve cents per pound; on playing cards, twenty-five
cents per pack; on blank books, when bound, twenty cents per pound;
when unbound, fifteen cents per pound; on all parchment and vellum,
and on asses' skin and imitation thereof, wafers, sealing-wax, and black
lead pencils, crayons of all kinds, and metallic pens, twenty-five per
centum ad valorem; ink and ink powder of all kinds, twenty-five per
centum ad valorem; quills, prepared or manufactured, twenty-five per
centum ad valorem; quills, unprepared or unmanufactured, fifteen per
centum ad valorem; on rags, of whatever material, waste or shoddy, a
quarter of one cent per pound; all other paper not enumerated, fifteen
cents per pound.

Second. On all books printed in the English language, or of which the
English forms the text, when bound thirty cents per pound, when in
sheets or boards, twenty cents per pound: Provided, That whenever the
importer shall prove, to the satisfaction of the collector, when the goods
are entered, that any such book has been printed and published abroad
more than one year, and not republished in this country, or has been
printed and published abroad more than five years before such importa-
tion, then and in such case said books shall be admitted at one half of
the above rate of duties: Provided, That the said terms of one year and
five years, shall in no ease commence, or be computed at and from a day
before the passing of this act; on all books printed in Latin or Greek,
or in which either language forms the text, when bound, fifteen cents
per pound, when unbound, thirteen cents per pound; on all books
printed in Hebrew, or of which that language forms the text, when
bound, ten cents per pound, and when unbound, eight cents per pound;
Provided, That all books printed in foreign languages, Latin, Greek,
and Hebrew excepted, shall pay a duty of five cents per volume when
bound or in boards, and when in sheets or pamphlets, fifteen cents per
 pound; and editions of works in the Greek, Latin, Hebrew, or English
language, which have been printed forty years prior to the date of im-
portation, shall pay a duty of five cents per volume; and all reports of
legislative committees appointed under foreign Governments shall pay
a duty of five cents per volume; on polyglots, lexicons, and dictionaries,
five cents per pound; on books of engravings or plates, with or without letter press, whether bound or unbound, and on maps and charts, twenty per centum ad valorem.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the importation of the articles hereinafter mentioned, the following duties: that is to say,

First. On raw sugar (commonly called brown sugar), not advanced beyond its raw state, by claying, boiling, clarifying, or other process, and on syrup of sugar, or of sugar cane, and on brown clayed sugar, two and a half cents per pound; on all other sugars, when advanced beyond the raw state, by claying, boiling, clarifying, or other process, and not yet refined, four cents per pound; on refined sugars, (whether loaf, lump, crushed, or pulverized, and when, after being refined, they have been tinctured, colored, or in any way adulterated), and on sugar candy, six cents per pound; on molasses, four and one half mills per pound: Provided, That all syrups of sugar or of sugar cane, entered under the designation of molasses, or any other appellation than “syrup of sugar” or of sugar cane, shall be liable to forfeiture to the United States; on comfits, on sweetmeats, or fruits preserved in molasses, sugar, or brandy, and on confectionary of all kinds, not otherwise specified, twenty-five per centum ad valorem: Provided further, That an inspection, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, shall be made of all sugars and molasses imported from foreign countries, in order to prevent frauds, and to prevent the introduction of sugars, syrup of sugar, syrup of cane, or battery syrup, under the title of molasses, or in any other improper manner.

Second. On cocoa, one cent per pound; chocolate, four cents per pound; on mace, fifty cents per pound; nutmegs, thirty cents per pound; cloves, eight cents per pound; cinnamon, twenty-five cents per pound; oil of cloves, thirty cents per pound; Chinese cassia, five cents per pound; Cayenne and African, or Chili pepper, ten cents per pound; ginger, ground, four cents per pound; ginger, in the root, when not preserved, two cents per pound; on mustard, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on mustard seed, and on linseed, five per centum ad valorem; on camphor, refined, twenty cents per pound; crude camphor, five cents per pound; on indigo, five cents per pound; on wood or pastel, one cent per pound; on ivory or bone black, three-fourths of one cent per pound; on alum, one cent and a half per pound; on opium, seventy-five cents per pound; on quicksilver, five per centum ad valorem; on roll brimstone, calomel, and other mercurial preparations, corrosive sublimate, and red precipitate, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on glue, five cents per pound; on gunpowder, eight cents per pound; on copperas and green vitriol, two cents per pound; on blue or Roman vitriol, or sulphate of copper, four cents per pound; on oil of vitriol, or sulphuric acid, one cent per pound; on almonds and prunes, three cents per pound; on sweet oil of almonds, nine cents per pound; on dates, one cent per pound; currants, three cents per pound; figs, two cents per pound; on all nuts not specified, except those used for dyeing, one cent per pound; on muscatel and bloom raisins, either in boxes or jars, three cents per pound; and on all other raisins, two cents per pound; on olives, thirty per centum ad valorem.

Third. On olive oil in casks, twenty cents per gallon; olive salad oil in bottles or bettles, thirty per centum ad valorem; all other olive oil, not salad, and not otherwise specified, twenty per centum ad valorem; on spermaceti oil of foreign fisheries, twenty-five cents per gallon; whale or other fish oil, not sperm, of foreign fisheries, fifteen cents per gallon; whalebone, the product of foreign fisheries, twelve and a half per centum.
ad valorem; on spermaceti or wax candles, and on candles of spermaceti and wax combined, eight cents per pound; wax tapers, thirty per centum ad valorem; tallow candles, four cents per pound; on tallow, one cent per pound; beeswax, bleached or unbleached, and shoemakers' wax, fifteen per centum ad valorem; on Windsor, shaving, and all other perfumed or fancy soaps, or wash balls, and Castle soap, thirty per centum ad valorem; on all other hard soaps, four cents per pound; and on all soft soap, fifty cents per barrel; on marrow, grease, and all other soap stocks and soap stuffs, ten per cent ad valorem; on starch, two cents per pound; on pearl or hulled barley, two cents per pound; on corks, thirty per centum ad valorem; on manufactures of cork, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on spunges and spunk, twenty per centum ad valorem; on oranges and lemons, in boxes, barrels, or casks, and on grapes not dried, in boxes, kegs, or jars, twenty per centum ad valorem.

Fourth. On salt, eight cents per bushel of fifty-six pounds; on salt-petre, partially refined, one fourth of one cent per pound; completely refined, two cents per pound; on bleaching powder, or chloride of lime, one cent per pound; on vinegar, eight cents per gallon; on spirits of turpentine, ten cents per gallon; on beef and pork, two cents per pound; hams and bacon, three cents per pound; prepared meats, poultry or game, in cases or otherwise, and Bologna sausages, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on cheese, nine cents per pound; butter, five cents per pound; lard, three cents per pound; macaroni and vermicelli, gelatine, jellies, and all similar preparations, thirty per centum ad valorem; on wheat, twenty-five cents per bushel; barley, twenty cents per bushel; rye, fifteen cents per bushel; oats, ten cents per bushel; Indian corn, or maize, ten cents per bushel; wheat flour, seventy cents per one hundred and twelve pounds; Indian meal, twenty cents per one hundred and twelve pounds; potatoes, ten cents per bushel; on foreign fish, viz: dried or smoked, one dollar per one hundred and twelve pounds; on mackerel and herrings, pickled or salted, one dollar and fifty cents per barrel; on pickled salmon, two dollars per barrel; on all other fish, pickled in barrels, one dollar per barrel; on all other pickled fish, imported otherwise than in barrels or half barrels, not specified, twenty per centum ad valorem; and on sardines and other fish, preserved in oil, twenty per centum ad valorem; Provided, That fresh caught fish, brought in for daily consumption, shall be exempt from duty; on fish glue or isinglass, twenty per centum ad valorem; on pickles, capers, and sauces of all kinds, not otherwise enumerated, thirty per centum ad valorem; on castor oil, forty cents per gallon; neatsfoot and animal oils, and all volatile and essential oils, not otherwise specified, twenty per centum ad valorem; on all gums and other resinous substances, not specified, in a crude state, fifteen per centum ad valorem; and on the said articles, when not in a crude state, and on pastes, balsams, essences, tinctures, extracts, cosmetics, and perfumes, not otherwise enumerated, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on benzoic, citric, white or yellow muriatic, nitric, oxalic, pyrogallous, and tartaric acids, twenty per centum ad valorem; on boracic acid, five per centum ad valorem; borax or tincal, twenty-five per centum ad valorem; on amber, ambergris, ammonia, annatto, aniseed, arrow root, vanilla beans, French chalk, red chalk, juniper berries, manganese, nitrate of lead, chromate, bichromate, and prussiate of potash, glauber and Rochelle salts, Epsom salts or sulphate of magnesia, and all other chemical salts or preparations of salts not enumerated, malts, sal soda, and all carbonates of soda, by whatever name designated, other than soda ash, barilla, and kelp, twenty per centum ad valorem; on sulphate of quinine, forty cents per ounce, avoidupois; on soda ash, five per centum ad valorem.

Fifth. On brandy, one dollar per gallon; on other spirits manufactured or distilled from grain or other materials, for first and second

Brandy, other spirits, wines, liquors, porter, &c.
proves, sixty cents, for third proof, sixty-five cents, for fourth proof, seventy cents, for fifth proof, seventy-five cents, and all above fifth proof, ninety cents per gallon; on Madeira, Sherry, San Lucar, and Canary wine, in casks or bottles, sixty cents per gallon; on champagne wines, forty cents per gallon; on port, Burgundy, and claret wines, in bottles, thirty-five cents per gallon; on port and Burgundy wines in casks, fifteen cents per gallon; on Teneriffe wines, in casks or bottles, twenty cents per gallon; on claret wines, in casks, six cents per gallon; on the white wines, not enumerated, of France, Austria, Prussia, and Sardinia, and of Portugal and its possessions, in casks, seven and a half cents per gallon; in bottles, twenty cents per gallon; on the red wines not enumerated, of France, Austria, Prussia, and Sardinia, and of Portugal and its possessions, in casks, six cents per gallon, in bottles twenty cents per gallon; on the white and red wines of Spain, Germany, and the Mediterranean, not enumerated, in casks, twelve and a half cents per gallon; in bottles, twenty cents per gallon; on Sicily Madeira, or Marsala wines, in casks or bottles, twenty-five cents per gallon; on other wines of Sicily, in casks or bottles, fifteen cents per gallon; on all other wines, not enumerated, and other than those of France, Austria, Prussia, and Sardinia, and of Portugal and its possessions, when in bottles, sixty-five cents per gallon, when in casks, twenty-five cents per gallon: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be construed or permitted to operate so as to interfere with subsisting treaties with foreign nations: Provided further, That all imitations of brandy or spirits, or of any of the said wines, and all wines imported by any name whatever, shall be subject to the duty provided for the genuine article, and to the highest rate of duty applicable to the article of the same name. And provided further, That when wines are imported in bottles, the bottles shall pay a separate duty, according to the rate established by this act; on cordials and liqueurs of all kinds, sixty cents per gallon; on arrack, absynthe, Kirschen wasser, ratafia, and other similar spirituous beverages, not otherwise specified, sixty cents per gallon; on ale, porter, and beer, in bottles, twenty cents per gallon; otherwise than in bottles, fifteen cents per gallon; on tobacco, in leaf, or unmanufactured, twenty per centum ad valorem; on cigars, of all kinds, forty cents per pound; on snuff, twelve cents per pound; manufactured tobacco, other than snuff and cigars, ten cents per pound.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That from and after the day and year before mentioned, the following articles shall be exempt from duty, namely:

First. All articles imported for the use of the United States.

Second. All goods, wares, or merchandise, the growth, produce, or manufacture of the United States, exported to a foreign country, and brought back to the United States, and books and personal and household effects, not merchandise, of citizens of the United States dying abroad.

Third. Paintings and statuary, the production of American artists residing abroad.

Fourth. Wearing apparel in actual use, and other personal effects, not merchandise, professional books, instruments, implements, and tools of trade, occupation, or employment, of persons arriving in the United States.

Fifth. Philosophical apparatus, instruments, books, maps, and charts, statues, statuary, busts, and casts, of marble, bronze, alabaster, or plaster of Paris, paintings, drawings, engravings, etchings, specimens of sculpture, cabinets of coins, medals, gems, and all other collections of antiquities, provided the same be specially imported in good faith for the use of any society incorporated or established for philosophical or literary purposes, or for the encouragement of the fine arts, or for the use and by the order of any college, academy, school, or seminary of learning in the United States.
Sixth. Anatomical preparations, models of machinery, and of other inventions and improvements in the arts; specimens in natural history, mineralogy, and botany; trees, shrubs, plants, bulbs or roots, and garden seeds not otherwise specified; berries, nuts, and vegetables, used principally in dyeing or composing dyes; all dyewoods in stick; whale and other fish oils of American fisheries, and all other articles the produce of said fisheries; animals imported for breed; fish, fresh caught, imported for daily consumption; fruit, green or ripe, from the West Indies, in bulk: tea and coffee when imported in American vessels from the places of their growth or production.

Seventh. Adhesive felt for sheathing vessels, alcornque, aloes, antimony crude, argol, assafetida, ava root, barilla, bark of cork tree unmanufactured; bells or bell-metal, old and only fit to be remanufactured, or parts thereof, and chimes of bells; brass in pigs or bars, and old brass only fit to be remanufactured; Brazil wood, crude brimstone, and flour of sulphur, bullion, burrstones, unwrought; cantharides, chalk, clay unwrought, cochineal, coins of gold and silver, copper imported in any shape for the use of the mint, copper in pigs, or bars, and copper ore; plates or sheets of copper for sheathing vessels; but none is to be so considered except that which is fourteen inches wide, and forty-eight inches long, and weighing from fourteen to thirty-four ounces per square foot; old copper fit only to be remanufactured; cream of tartar; emery; flints, ground flint, gold bullion, gold epaulettes and wings, grindstones, gum Arabic, gum Senegal, gum tragacanth, India rubber, in bottles or sheets, or otherwise, unmanufactured, old junk, oakum, kelp, kermes, lwc dye, leeches, madder, madder root, mother of pearl, nickel, nux vomica, palm leaf unmanufactured, palm oil; Peruvian bark, pewter when old and only fit to be remanufactured; platina unmanufactured, ivory unmanufactured, plaster of Paris unground, ratans and reeds unmanufactured, rhubarb, saltpetre when crude, sarsaparilla, shellac, silver bullion, silver epaulettes and wings, stones called polishing stones, stone called rotten stone, sumac, tartar when crude, teuteneque, turmeric, weld, woods of all kinds, when unmanufactured, not herein enumerated.

Sec. 10. And it be further enacted, That, on all articles not herein enumerated or provided for, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, a duty of twenty per centum ad valorem.

Sec. 11. And it be further enacted, That an addition of ten per centum shall be made to the several rates of duties by this act imposed, in respect to all goods, wares, and merchandise, on the importation of which, in American or foreign vessels, a specific discrimination between them is not herein made, which, from and after the time when this act shall take effect and go into operation, shall be imported in ships or vessels not of the United States; and a further addition of ten per centum shall be made to the several rates of duties imposed by this act on all goods, wares, and merchandise, which shall be imported from any port or place east of the Cape of Good Hope, in foreign vessels: Provided, That these additional duties shall not apply to goods, wares, or merchandise, which shall be imported after the day that this act goes into operation, in ships or vessels not of the United States, entitled by treaty, or by any act or acts of Congress, to be entered in the ports of the United States, on the payment of the same duties as shall then be paid on goods, wares, or merchandise, imported in ships or vessels of the United States.

Sec. 12. And it be further enacted, That on and after the day this act goes into operation, the duties on all imported goods, wares, or merchandise, shall be paid in cash: Provided, That in all cases of failure or neglect to pay the duties, on completion of the entry, the said goods,
wares, or merchandise, shall be taken possession of by the collector, and deposited in the public stores, there to be kept with due and reasonable care, at the charge and risk of the owner, importer, consignee, or agent; and if any such goods remain in public store beyond sixty days (except in the case of goods imported from beyond the Cape of Good Hope, remaining for the space of ninety days) without payment of the duties thereon, then said goods, wares, and merchandise, or such quantities thereof, as may be deemed necessary to discharge the duties, shall be appraised and sold by the collector at public auction, on due public notice thereof, being first given, in the manner and for the time to be prescribed by a general regulation of the Treasury Department; and, at said public sale, distinct printed catalogues, descriptive of said goods, with the appraised value affixed thereto, shall be distributed among the persons present at said sale; and a reasonable opportunity shall be given, before such sale, to persons desirous of purchasing, to inspect the quality of such goods; and the proceeds of said sales, after deducting the usual rate of storage at the port in question, together with all other charges and expenses, including interest on the duties from the date of entry at the rate of six per centum per annum, shall be applied to the payment of the duties, and any balance of money remaining, over and above the full amount of duties, charges, and expenses and interest aforesaid, as well as such quantities of any goods, wares, or merchandise, as may not have been sold for the purposes before mentioned, shall be delivered, and the money paid over, by the collector, to the owner, importer, consignee, or agent, and proper receipts taken for the same: And provided, That if no claim be made by such owner, importer, consignee, or agent, for the portion of goods which may remain in the hands of the collector, after such sale, the said goods shall be forthwith returned to the public stores, there to be kept at the risk and expense of the owner, importer, consignee, or agent, until claimed or sold for storage agreeably to law; and the proceeds of the sale for duties remaining unclaimed for the space of ten days after such sale, shall, after payment of duties and all expenses aforesaid, at the expiration of that period, be paid by the collector into the Treasury, in the manner provided for in the case of unclaimed goods in the next succeeding section of this act: And provided further, That when any goods are of a perishable nature, they shall be sold forthwith.

Sec. 13. And be it further enacted, That, previous to the sale of any unclaimed goods, the said collector shall procure an inventory and appraisement thereof to be made, and to be verified, on oath or affirmation, by two or more respectable merchants, before the said collector, and to remain with him; and said collector shall afterward cause said goods to be advertised and sold, in the manner provided for in this act, and, after retaining the duties thereon, agreeably to such inventory and appraisement, and interest and charges as aforesaid, shall pay the overplus, if any there be, into the Treasury of the United States, there to remain for the use of the owner or owners, who shall, upon due proof of his, her, or their property, be entitled to receive the same; for which purpose the collector shall transmit, with said overplus, a copy of the inventory, appraisement, and account of sales, specifying the marks, numbers, and descriptions of the packages sold, their contents, the name of the vessel and master in which, and of the port or place whence they were imported, and the time when, and the name of the person or persons to whom said goods were consigned in the manifest; and the receipt or certificate of the collector shall exonerate the master or person having charge or command of any ship or vessel in which said goods, wares, and merchandise were imported, from all claim of the owner or owners thereof: Provided, That so much of the fifty-sixth section of the general collection law of the second of March seventeen hundred and
ninety-nine, which provides for the storage of unclaimed merchandise, as conflicts with the provisions of this act, shall be, and is hereby repealed: Provided, also, That when such goods are of a perishable nature, they shall be sold forthwith.

Sec. 14. And be it further enacted, That on and after the day this law goes into effect, there shall be allowed a drawback on foreign sugar refined in the United States, and exported therefrom, equal in amount to the duty paid on the foreign sugar from which it shall be manufactured, to be ascertained under such regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and no more; and on spirits distilled from foreign molasses, a drawback of five cents per gallon, till the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-three, when it shall be reduced one cent per gallon; and annually, on the first day of January thereafter, the said drawback shall be reduced one cent per gallon until the same shall be wholly discontinued: Provided, That this act shall not alter or repeal any law now in force regulating the exportation of sugar refined or spirits distilled from molasses in the United States, except as to the rates of duties and drawbacks.

Sec. 15. And be it further enacted, That, in the case of all goods, wares, and merchandise, imported on and after the day this act goes into operation, and entitled to debenture under existing laws, no drawback of the duties shall be allowed on the same, unless said goods, wares, or merchandise shall be exported from the United States within three years from the date of the importation of the same; nor shall the additional rate of duty levied by this act on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported in foreign vessels, be refunded in case of re-exportation: Provided, That two and one half per centum on the amount of all drawbacks allowed, except on foreign and refined sugars, shall be retained, for the use of the United States, by the collectors paying such drawbacks, respectively; and in the case of foreign refined sugars, ten per centum shall be so retained.

Sec. 16. And be it further enacted, That in all cases where there is or shall be imposed any ad valorem rate of duty on any goods, wares, or merchandise, imported into the United States, and in all cases where the duty imposed shall by law be regulated by, or directed to be estimated or based upon, the value of the square yard, or of any specified quantity or parcel of such goods, wares, or merchandise, it shall be the duty of the collector, within whose district the same shall be imported or entered, to cause the actual market value or wholesale price thereof, at the time when purchased, in the principal markets of the country from which the same shall have been imported into the United States, or of the yards, parcels, or quantities, as the case may be, to be appraised, estimated, and ascertained, and to such value or price, to be ascertained in the manner provided in this act, shall be added all costs and charges except insurance, and including, in every case, a charge for commissions at the usual rates as the true value at the port where the same may be entered upon which duties shall be assessed. And it shall, in every such case, be the duty of the appraisers of the United States, and every of them, and every person who shall act as such appraiser, or of the collector and naval officer, as the case may be, by all reasonable ways and means in his or their power, to ascertain, estimate, and appraise the true and actual market value and wholesale price, any invoice or affidavit thereto to the contrary notwithstanding, of the said goods, wares, and merchandise, at the time purchased, and in the principal markets of the country whence the same shall have been imported into the United States, and the number of such yards, parcels, or quantities, and such actual market value or wholesale price of every of them, as the case may require; and all such goods, wares, or merchandise, being manufactured of wool, or whereof wool shall be a com-

Drawbacks on foreign sugar refined in the United States and on spirits distilled from foreign molasses.

No drawback unless exported within three years.

No additional duty refunded.

Proviso, a per centum to be retained by the United States.

Actual market value, in the country whence and when imported, to be ascertained.

Costs to be added.
Unfinished woolsen to be rated as finished.

Proviso.

Examination of owners and others, on oath, authorized.

For refusal to attend or answer, a forfeiture of $100, and the appraisal not to be final.

False swearing, perjury—goods forfeited therefor.

In case of dissatisfaction with the appraisement, another may be made—how.

Additions, duty in case the appraisement exceed the invoice 10 per cent.

ponent part, which shall be imported into the United States in an unfinished condition, shall, in every such appraisel, be taken, deemed, and estimated to have been at the time purchased, and place whence the same were imported into the United States, of as great value as if the same had been entirely finished: Provided, That in all cases where goods, wares, and merchandize, subject to ad valorem duty, or on which the duties are to be levied upon the value of the square yard, and in all cases where any specific quantity or parcel of such goods, wares, and merchandize, shall have been imported into the United States from a country in which the same have not been manufactured or produced, the foreign value shall be appraised and estimated according to the current market value or wholesale price of similar articles at the principal markets of the country of production or manufacture, at the period of the exportation of said goods, wares, and merchandize, to the United States.

Sec. 17. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the appraisers, or the collector and naval officer, as the case may be, to call before them and examine, upon oath or affirmation, any owner, importer, consignee or other person, touching any matter or thing which they may deem material in ascertaining the true market value or wholesale price of any merchandise imported, and to require the production, on oath or affirmation, to the collector or to any permanent appraiser, of any letters, accounts, or invoices, in his possession relating to the same, for which purpose they are hereby respectively authorized to administer oaths and affirmations; and if any person so called shall neglect or refuse to attend, or shall decline to answer, or shall, if required, refuse to answer in writing any interrogatories, and subscribe his name to his deposition, or to produce such papers, when so required, he shall forfeit and pay to the United States the sum of one hundred dollars; and if such person be the owner, importer, or consignee, the appraisement which the said appraisers, or collector and naval officer, where there are no legal appraisers, may make of the goods, wares, and merchandize, shall be final and conclusive, any act of Congress to the contrary notwithstanding; and any person who shall wilfully and corruptly swear or affirm falsely on such examination, shall be deemed guilty of perjury; and if he be the owner, importer, or consignee, the merchandise shall be forfeited; and all testimony in writing, or depositions, taken by virtue of this section, shall be filed in the collector’s office, and preserved for future use or reference, to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury when lie shall require the same: Provided, That if the importer, owner, agent, or consignee, of any such goods, shall be dissatisfied with the appraisement, and shall have complied with the foregoing requisitions, he may forthwith give notice to the collector, in writing, of such dissatisfaction; on the receipt of which, the collector shall select two discreet and experienced merchants, citizens of the United States, familiar with the character and value of the goods in question, to examine and appraise the same, agreeably to the foregoing provisions; and if they shall disagree, the collector shall decide between them; and the appraisement thus determined shall be final, and deemed and taken to be the true value of said goods, and the duties shall be levied thereon accordingly, any act of Congress to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided, also, That in all cases where the actual value to be appraised, estimated, and ascertained as hereinbefore stated, of any goods, wares, and merchandize, imported into the United States, and subject to any ad valorem duty, or whereon the duty is regulated by or directed to be imposed or levied on the value of the square yard, or other parcel or quantity thereof, shall exceed by ten per centum or more the invoice value, then, in addition to the duty imposed by law on the same, there shall be levied and collected, on the same goods, wares, and merchan-
disce, fifty per centum of the duty imposed on the same, when fairly invoiced.

Sec. 18. And be it further enacted, That the several collectors be, and they are hereby, authorized, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, whenever they shall deem it necessary to protect and secure the revenue of the United States against frauds or undervaluation, and the same is practicable, to take the amount of duties chargeable on any article bearing an ad valorem rate of duty, in the article itself, according to the proportion or rate per centum of the duty on said article; and such goods, so taken, the collector shall cause to be sold at public auction, within twenty days from the time of taking the same, in the manner prescribed in this act, and place the proceeds arising from such sale in the Treasury of the United States; Provided, That the collector or appraiser shall not be allowed any fees or commissions for taking and disposing of said goods, and paying the proceeds thereof into the Treasury, other than are now allowed by law.

Sec. 19. And be it further enacted, That if any person shall knowingly and wilfully, with intent to defraud the revenue of the United States, smuggle or clandestinely introduce into the United States any goods, wares, or merchandise, subject to duty by law, and which should have been invoiced, without paying or accounting for the duty, or shall make out, or pass, or attempt to pass, through the custom-house, any false, forged, or fraudulent invoice, every such person, his, her, or their aides and abettors, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, or imprisoned for any term of time not exceeding two years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Sec. 20. And be it further enacted, That there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on each and every non-enumerated article which bears a similitude, either in material, quality, texture, or the use to which it may be applied, to any enumerated article chargeable with duty, the same rate of duty which is levied and charged on the enumerated article which it most resembles in any of the particulars before mentioned; and if any non-enumerated article equally resembles two or more enumerated articles, on which different rates of duty are chargeable, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on such non-enumerated article, the same rate of duty as is chargeable on the article which it resembles paying the highest duty; and on all articles manufactured from two or more materials, the duty shall be assessed at the highest rates at which any of its component parts may be chargeable.

Sec. 21. And be it further enacted, That the collector shall designate on the invoice at least one package of every invoice, and one package at least of every ten packages of goods, wares, or merchandise, and a greater number, should he or either of the appraisers deem it necessary, imported into such port, to be opened, examined, and appraised, and shall order the package or packages so designated to the public stores for examination; and if any package be found by the appraisers to contain any article not specified in the invoice, and they or a majority of them shall be of opinion that such article was omitted in the invoice with fraudulent intent on the part of the shipper, owner, or agent, the contents of the entire package in which the article may be shall be liable to seizure and forfeiture on conviction thereof before any court of competent jurisdiction; but if said appraisers shall be of opinion that no such fraudulent intent existed, then the value of such article shall be added to the entry, and the duties thereon paid accordingly, and the same shall be delivered to the importer, agent, or consignee: Provided, That such forfeiture may be remitted by the Secretary of the Treasury, on the production of evidence, satisfactory to him, that no fraud was intended: Provided further, That if on the opening of any of the

Authority to take duties in the article itself, in certain cases, and to sell the same.

Attempts to defraud the revenue punishable by fine and imprisonment.

Duties on non-enumerated articles.

Examination of invoices and packages required, &c.
Where there are no appraisers, appraisal to be made, by whom.

Sec. 21. Treas. to establish rules for the appraisal of goods.

Officers of the customs to execute instructions of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Act not to apply to vessels having left their last port of landing, beyond the Cape of Good Hope, &c. before 1st Sept. 1842—laws applicable thereto.

Laws existing on 1st June 1842, in force for certain purposes.

Laws inconsistent herewith repealed.

Sec. Treas. to ascertain whether the duty on any article has exceeded 35 per cent., and report to Congress.

Indecent prints and paintings prohibited.

Package or packages of goods, a deficiency of any article shall be found, on examination by the appraisers, the same shall be certified to the collector on the invoice, and an allowance for the same be made in estimating the duties.

Sec. 22. And be it further enacted, That where goods, wares, and merchandise shall be entered at ports where there are no appraisers, the mode hereinbefore prescribed of ascertaining the foreign value thereof, shall be carefully observed by the revenue officers to whom is committed the estimating and collection of duties.

Sec. 23. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury from time to time to establish such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States, to secure a just, faithful, and impartial appraisal of all goods, wares, and merchandise, as aforesaid, imported into the United States, and just and proper entries of such actual market value or wholesale price thereof, and of the square yards, parcels, or other quantities, as the case may require, and of such actual market value or wholesale price of every of them.

Sec. 24. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of all collectors and other officers of the customs to execute and carry into effect all instructions of the Secretary of the Treasury relative to the execution of the revenue laws; and in case any difficulty shall arise as to the true construction or meaning of any part of such revenue laws, the decision of the Secretary of the Treasury shall be conclusive and binding upon all such collectors and other officers of the customs.

Sec. 25. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this act contained shall apply to goods shipped in a vessel bound to any port of the United States, actually having left her last port of lading eastward of the Cape of Good Hope or beyond Cape Horn prior to the first day of September, eighteen hundred and forty-two; and all legal provisions and regulations existing immediately before the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall be applied to importations which may be made in vessels which have left such last port of lading eastward of the Cape of Good Hope or beyond Cape Horn prior to said first day of September, eighteen hundred and forty-two.

Sec. 26. And be it further enacted, That the laws existing on the first day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall extend to and be in force for the collection of the duties imposed by this act on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into the United States, and for the recovery, collection, distribution and remission of all fines, penalties, and forfeitures, and for the allowance of the drawbacks by this act authorized, as fully and effectually as if every regulation, restriction, penalty, forfeiture, provision, clause, matter, and thing, in the said laws contained, had been inserted in and re-enacted by this act. And that all provisions of any former law inconsistent with this act, shall be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Sec. 27. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, annually, to ascertain whether, for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June, next preceding, the duty on any article has exceeded thirty-five per centum ad valorem on the average wholesale market value of such articles, in the several ports of the United States for the preceding year; and, if so, he shall report a tabular statement of such articles and excess of duty to Congress, at the commencement of the next annual session thereof, with such observations and recommendations as he may deem necessary for the improvement of the revenue.

Sec. 28. And be it further enacted, That the importation of all indecent and obscene prints, paintings, lithographs, engravings, and transparencies is hereby prohibited; and no invoice or package whatever,
or any part thereof, shall be admitted to entry, in which any such articles are contained; and all invoices and packages wherein any such articles shall compose a part, are hereby declared to be liable to be proceeded against, seized, and forfeited, by due course of law, and the said articles shall be forthwith destroyed.

SEC. 29. And be it further enacted, That, wherever the word "ton" is used in this act, in reference to weight, it shall be deemed and taken to be twenty hundred weight, each hundred weight being one hundred and twelve pounds avoirdupois.

SEC. 30. And be it further enacted, That so long as the distribution of the nett proceeds of the sales of the public lands, directed to be made among the several States, Territories, and District of Columbia, by the act entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands and to grant pre-emption rights," shall be and remain suspended by virtue of this act, and of the proviso of the sixth section of the act aforesaid, the ten per centum of the said proceeds directed to be paid by the said act to the several States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Alabama, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Michigan, shall also be and remain suspended.

Approved, August 30, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXXI.—An Act to establish an additional land office in Florida. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the public lands of the United States in the Territory of Florida, as lies east of the Suwannee river, and west of the line dividing ranges twenty-four and twenty-five, except that lying east of St. Mary's river, north of the basis parallel, shall form a new land district, to be called the Alachua land district; and, for the sale of the public lands within the district aforesaid there shall be a land office established in the town of Newnansville, in the county of Alachua, in the Territory aforesaid.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be a register and receiver appointed to said office, to superintend the sale of the public land in said district, who shall reside at the town of Newnansville aforesaid, give security in the same manner and sums, and whose compensation, emoluments, duties, and authorities, shall, in every respect, be the same, in relation to lands to be disposed of at said office, as are or may be by law provided in relation to the registers and receivers of public money in the several offices established for the sale of the public lands.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That all such public lands, embraced within the district created by this act, which shall have been offered for sale to the highest bidder at any land office in said Territory, pursuant to any proclamation of the President of the United States, and which lands remain unsold at the taking effect of this act, shall be subject to be entered and sold at private sale by the proper officers of the office hereby created, in the same manner, and subject to the same terms, and upon like conditions, as the sale of said land would have been subject to in the said several land offices hereinbefore mentioned, had they remained attached to the same.

Approved, August 30, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXXII.—An Act for the relief of the assistants of the Marshal of the United States for the District of Kentucky.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the circuit judge for

(a) Notes of the acts relating to the territory of Florida, vol. 3, 528, 654.
the eighth judicial circuit of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to examine and review the allowances made by the marshal of the United States for the District of Kentucky, to his assistants, for taking the sixth census or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States within said district; and that the appropriate officers of the United States account to and pay the said assistants so much of the said allowances as shall be approved by said judge: Provided, That no allowances to be made by the said circuit judge, by virtue of the provisions of this act, to any assistant marshal, shall exceed the allowances which the district judge of the District of Kentucky might have made, under the provisions of the census laws, or the allowances which the marshal of the District of Kentucky proposed to make, subject to the revision and approbation of the said district judge.

Approved, August 30, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXXIV.—An Act [to] establish certain post roads.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following be established as post roads, viz:

In Maine.—From Milford, in the county of Penobscot, to Winslow's mills, in Greenfield, and county of Hancock. From Machias, by Crawford, to Alexander. From Houlton, in the county of Aroostook, to Fort Fairfield, in the plantation of Presqu'Isle. From Dennyville, in the county of Washington, by way of Edmunds, to Whiting. From Sedgwick to Swan's Island Plantations. From Standish, in the county of Cumberland, to Saco, in the county of York. From Lovel to Usher. From Fish's mills, by the town of Massardis, in the county of Aroostook, to the mouth of Fish river. From Bowdoinham Village to Bowdoin Centre. From Bath, by way of Merrymeeting Bridge and Richmond Village, to Gardiner.


In Massachusetts.—From Framingham, through Concord, to Lowell.

From South Framingham to Holliston. From Westport to Westport Point. From West Brookfield, North Brookfield, New Braintree, Barre, and Templeton, to Winchenden. From Lee, Tyringham, South Tyringham, Hartsville, Mill river, through East Sheffield, to Canaan, Connecticut.

In Rhode Island.—From Providence to West Brookfield, Massachusetts. From Providence through Fruit Hill, to Centreville.

In Vermont.—From Townsend, through Grafton, to Chester. From Rochester through Brandon, to Sholes's Landing, on Lake Champlain. From East Charleston, through Morgan and Holland, to Derby. From Bellows Falls to Paper Mill Village, in Alstead. From Hyde Park, Lamoiile court-house, through North Hyde Park, Belvidere, Four Corners, Avery's Gore, and Montgomery, to East Berkshire. The route from Waterville, through Belvidere and Avery's Gore, is hereby discontinued.

In New York.—From Durhamville, along the line of the Erie Canal, to the intersection of the Erie and Oneida Lake canals, in Oneida county. From Unionville, in Orange county, New York, to Deckertown, in Sussex county, New Jersey, by the Drowned Road, returning by the Clove Road. From Texas to Oswego, on the North Road, by Cheever's Mills, in Oswego county. From Collins to Irwin, in Erie county. From Cassville to Babcock Hill, in the county of Oneida. From Westerfield to Boonville, as near as may be on the route of the Black river.
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canal, in Oneida county. From Rome to Clinton, in Oneida county. From Warsaw, in Wyoming county, by Silver Lake and Castile, to Portageville, in the county of Allegany. From Attica, by Varysburg, Johnsonburg, North Java, and East Java, to China, in Wyoming county. From Cortlandville to Marathon, in the county of Cortland. From Elmira, by way of Baldwin's Creek, Jerusalem settlement, through the south part of Erie, to Van Ettersville, in the county of Chemung. From the Manlius Depot, on the Syracuse Railroad, to the village of Matthews Mills, in the county of Onondaga. From North Adams, through Field's Settlement, to Watertown, in the county of Jefferson.

In New Jersey.—From New Hampton, in Hunterdon county, by Whitehall and German Valley, to Schooley's Mountain, in Morris county. From Plainfield, in Essex county, to Millington, in Somerset county.


In Maryland.—From Sang Run, Alleghany county, to Yough Glade. From Millersville, Anne Arundel county, to Marley. From Princess Anne, Maryland, to Roach's Store, Somerset county, Maryland.

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House of Mr. Hoskins, on the Northwestern Turnpike. From Wheeling, via Beeler's Station, Sockman's Fish Creek, to Woodland's Post Office, in Marshall county. From Hansonville, via Moecasin Creek, to Quillensville, in Scott county. From Newbern, in Pulaski county, via Back Road, to Wytheville. From Lynchburg, to Logwood's Store, in Bedford county, by way of Cheese Creek Church. From Bickley's Mills, in Russell county, via Guest's Station, the Pound, and Three Forks of Powell's river, to Turkey Cove, in the county of Lee. From Jarrott's Depot, in Sussex county, to Pleasant Grove. From the Blue Sulphur Springs, via Palestine and Egypt, to the Red Sulphur Springs. From Lynchburg, to Pedlar Mills in Amherst county. From Fincastle via Jeffersonville, to Cumberland Gap.

N. Carolina.

In North Carolina.—From Turkey Creek and Spring Creek, in Buncombe county, by Pines Creek and Crabtree, in Haywood county, to Waynesville. From Aqualla, on Shoal Creek, in Haywood county, by William F. McKees, in Macon county, to Jamesville, in Cherokee county. From Shelby, in North Carolina, to Yorkville, in South Carolina. From Shelby to South Point, in Lincoln county. From South Washington, by the house of Isham Armstrong, to Wilmington. From Jefferson, in North Carolina, to Marion, in Virginia. From Roxborough to Pleasant Hill. From Lexington, via Thompson's Store, to the house of Smith and Barringer, upon the Yadkin river. Either from Gravelly Hill or Elizabethtown, to the house of Robert Melvin, on Turnbull Creek, in Bladen county. From Ashville, via Pigeon river, to Waynesville. From Wilkesboro', by way of "Deep Gap," to Counsell's Store, in Ashe county. From Greenville, in Pitt county, via Snowhill, in Greene county, Goldsborough. From Lewisburg to Cooley's Store, in Franklin county. From Hillsborough, by Rock Creek and Long's Mills, to Ashborough.

S. Carolina.

In South Carolina.—From Aikin to Treadway's Bridge, in Barnwell district. From Traveller's Rest to Pumkintown, in Pickens district. From Conwayborough, in Horry district, South Carolina, to Fair bluff, Columbus county, North Carolina. From Winsborough, by Grayden's, to Rocky Mount. From Lincolnton, North Carolina, by Long Creek Shoals, Falls, Crowder's Creek, to Yorkville, South Carolina. From Hurricane, Spartanburg, to Hancocville, in Union district. From Crowder's Creek, North Carolina, by way of Bethel, to Yorkville, South Carolina. From Greenville Court-house, by Miller's, Brockman's, Cashville, to Woodruff's, and from Woodruff's, by Van Patten's, William Goldsmith, jr.'s, and Dr. Austin's, to Greenville. From Charleston, via Adams' Run and Ashepoo Ferry, to Savannah. From Adams' Run to Edisto Island. From Marion Court-house, via Brittons Neck, to Conwayborough.

Georgia.

that the present route from Henderson, in Houston county, to Bainbridge, be discontinued. From Albany to Thomasville. From Troupville to the Suwannee Springs, in Columbia county, Florida. From Waresborough to Mount Pleasant, Ware county. From Lafayette, in Walker county, to the Court-house, in Dade county. From Spring Place, Georgia, Cross Plains, Buzzard’s Roost, Medicinal Springs, Chestnut Flat, Lafayette, Summerville, Hopkinsville, and Cedar Bluff, to Jacksonville, Alabama. From Franklin, Georgia, Houston, Wadka, Standing Rock, and Fredonia, to Chambers Court-house, Chambers county, Alabama. From Americus, by way of Lumpkin, Irwinville, Alabama, Clayton, Montevallo, Montezuma, Covington, Carlington, and Fort Crawford, to Blakeley, Alabama. From Irwinville, by way of John Henderson’s and Mrs. Parish’s, to Troupville, Lowndes county. From Jacksonville, Telfair county, by way of Irwinville, to Albany. From Griffin, in Pike county, by way of Fayetteville and Campbellton, to Marietta, in Cobb county. From Americus to Cuthbert, Georgia.

In Alabama.—From Ashville, by Holloway’s Bridge, in St. Clair county, to Jefferson, Alabama. From Lebanon, De Kalb, Alabama, to intersect the line from Rome, Georgia, to Elyton, Alabama, at Holloway’s Bridge. From Louis ville, by Trenton, Larkinsville, and Berryville, to Bellefonte. From Thorn Hill, in Walker county, by way of William Johnson’s, Pikeville, and Millville, to Cotton Gin Port, Monroe county, Mississippi. From Pikeville, Alabama, to Fulton, Mississippi. From Russellville, Alabama, to Jacinto, Mississippi. From Mobile, by way of Jackson, on the Tombecbee river, Grove Hill, Mott’s post office, in Clarke county, Woodwardville, Shiloh, Linden and Demopolis in Marengo county, thence by way of Erie in Greene county, to Carthage, in Tuscaloosa county. From Milford, in Butler county, by Merrill’s store, to Montezuma, in Covington county. From Hope post office, Pickens’ county, Alabama, by the way of Fairfield, to Macon, in Noxubee county, Mississippi. From Gainesville, Alabama, Wahalak, Kemper county, Mississippi, to Macon, Mississippi. From Irwinvont, by way of Jenkins’s Midway post office, and William Dick’s to Cubahachee, in Macon county. From Gainesville, in the State of Alabama, by the way of De Kalb, to Jackson in the State of Mississippi. From Black’s Bluff, in Sumter county, to Tuscaloosa, in Washington county. From Columbia, Henry county, by way of Woodville, Neel’s Landing, Florida, Cedar Bluff, to Marianna, Florida. From Centreport, in Dallas county, to Greenville, in Butler county. From Barboursville, in Wilcox, by way of Beaver creek and Dixon’s Mills, to Nanafalia, in Marengo county. From Bellefonte, by way of Larkinsville and Trenton, to Louis ville, Alabama. And that the routes from Larkin’s fork, by way of Larkinsville, Trenton, and Sangston, to Marshall, and from Larkinsville to Woodville, be discontinued. From Montgomery to Troy in Pike county, and from thence to Dixon precinct and Scroggin’s mill to the Court-house of Dale county. From Sugsville in Clarke county to Mount Pleasant, in Monroe county. From Cahaba, Dallas county, by Hanell’s Cross roads to Marion in Perry county. From Marion by Union Tavern to Prais eville. From Tuskegee via Valverda, Union Springs, Aberfoil to Troy, in Pike county.

In Mississippi.—From Charleston, in Tallahatchee county, via Lincolнопis, Big Prairie, in the county of Coohoma, Port Royal, to the town of Delta, Mississippi. From Grenada, Yallahbusa county, to the house of William Denly, in said county. From Coffeeville, in Yallabusha county, to Houston in Chickasaw county, Mississippi. From Victoria to Coffeeville, Mississippi. From Eastport to Jacinto, Mississippi.

In Louisiana.—From Vicksburg, Mississippi, via Richmond, Hill’s Ferry, on Bayou Macon, Mackey’s, and McCloud’s, on Deer creek, Norris, Sicily Island, to Harrisonburg, Louisiana. From the mouth

In Tennessee.—From Jacksborough, Tennessee, via John L. Smith's on the Straight Fork, and Thomas I. Wheeler's Store, on Buffalo creek, to Monticello, Kentucky. From Cleveland, Tennessee, via Benton, Columbus, Springtown, Coker creek, and Turtleton, to Murphy, North Carolina. From Dyersburg, Tennessee, via George C. Booth's and Joseph Mitchell's, to Hale's Point, on the bank of the Mississippi river. From Lancaster, by the house of Elisha New, to Smithville. From Clinton to Woodbourne, via A. Moore's and J. Bayliss. From Rutledge to Newport, via Austin's ferry, Mossy creek and mouth of Chucky. From Troy, Tennessee, via Jos. A. Faulk's, (his place being known by the name of Sylvan Retreat,) to Point Pleasant, Missouri, crossing the Mississippi river at or near said last mentioned point. From Greenville, Tennessee, to Newport, Cocke county, via Wood's ferry and Parrotsville. From McMinnsville, Tennessee, to Smithville, Tennessee.

In Kentucky.—From Harlan Court-house, via John Lewis's residence on the Poor fork of the Cumberland river, and Brashear's Salt Works, on the north fork of the Kentucky river, to Perry Court-house. From Breathitt Court-house to Manchester, in Clay county. From Shelbyville, via Floydsburg, to Brownsborough. From Munfordville, via Mammoth Cave, to Brownville. From the Three Forks, in Barren county, via Mammoth Cave, Grayson Springs, to Litchfield. From Hawesville, in Hancock county, to Lewisport. From Owensborough to Litchfield. From Nottsville to New Boston, in Daviess county. From Lock and Dam on Green river, at the mouth of Muddy river, via Lock and Dam at Rumsey, Lock and Dam at Spottsville, to the town of Henderson. From Owensborough to Spottsville. From Spottsville, Kentucky, via the mouth of Green river, to Evansville, Indiana. From the town of Henderson in Henderson county, Kentucky, by Harman's Ferry, and by Wall's store, in Daviess county, to the town of Rumsey, in Muhlenberg county, Kentucky. From Hopkinsville, Kentucky, via Lindsey's Mill to Dover, Tennessee. From Jamestown, Kentucky, via Seventy-six, to Albany, Kentucky. From Hardensville, Kentucky, by Harrisonville, to Mount Eden. From Taylorsville, by McGee's Mill, to Jeffersontown, in Jefferson county.

county. From West Liberty, via Middleburg, to Quincy, in Logan county. From Urbanna, via Middletown and Lewisburg, to Cobert's, in Union county. From Zanesville, by the Ridge Road, to Marietta, to the point where said road intersects the river road.


In Missouri.—From Marshall, Saline county, via Greenville and Miami Post Office, to Carrollton. From Caledonia, Washington county, to Van Buren, in Ripley county, via the seat of justice of Shannon county. From Van Buren, Ripley county, Missouri, via Alfred Death- erade's and John Shields's, to Little Piney Post Office. From Merri- mack Iron Works, Crawford county, via Burdine's on Bryant's Fork, Grigsby, on Little North Fork of White river, to Forsyth, Taney county. From Paris, Monroe county, via Bloomington, and Centre- ville, to the seat of justice of Adair county. From Carrollton, via Chilicothe and Trenton, in Grundy county, to Union Mills, in said county. From Marshall, via Salt Pond and Johnson's Grove, to Lex- ington. From Eleven Points, Ripley county, via Green B. Hesterley's, to Jackson, in Arkansas. From Thorp's Mill, Holt county, via John Blair's, Daniel Dearborn's, and Roundtree's, to Sonora, on the Mis- souri river. From Plattsburg, via Boyer's settlement, Third Fork of Platte river, and Rochester, on the main Platte river, to Savannah. From Platte city, via the county seats of Buchanan and Andrew coun-

In Arkansas.—From Antoine, in Clark county, to Ultima Thule, in Sevier county, on the Fort Towsn road. From Fayetteville, Washington county, by way of Stout's Mills, Onstol's Mills, and the head of Cove creek, to Natural Dam, in Crawford county. From the town of Elizabeth, in Jackson county, to Pocahontas, in Randolph county. From Clinton, in Van Buren county, to Yellville, in Marion county, through Lebanon, in Searcy county. From Whittington, Hot Springs county, via Aiken's store and Duston's mill, to Mount Idá, intersecting the mail route, from Scott court-house, to Washington, in Hempstead county, at that place. From Columbia, Chicot county, by way of Bayou Beauf, to Monroe, in Louisiana. From Jackson, in Lawrence county, in Arkansas, by way of Williams's, on Strawberry river, to Izard court-house.


In Wisconsin.—From Patch Grove, in Grant county, to Blue river. From Fort Winnebago, via Grand Rapids, to Plover Portage. From Delavan, by Darien, to Beloit. From Fort Atkinson, by Cold Spring and White Water, to Elkhorn. From Summit, in Milwaukee county, via Piperville and Watertown, to Washara, (or Fox Lake.) From Southport, via Aurora post office, to Burlington. From Madison, by Monroe, to Freeport, Illinois. From Milwaukie, via Muskegeo, Rochester, and Burlington, to Geneva.


Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the above routes shall go into operation on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-three, or sooner, should the funds of the Department justify the same: Provided, That as soon as a responsible contractor shall offer to transport the mails over any portion of the above routes for the revenue derived from the new offices to be established thereon, until the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-three, the Postmaster General shall forthwith put them into operation.

Approved, August 31, 1842.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and hereby is, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for carrying into effect the treaty with the Wyandott Indians, dated March seventeen, eighteen hundred and forty-two, and ratified by the Senate on the seventeenth of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, with amendments, the sum of fifty-five thousand six hundred and sixty dollars: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended until the assent of said tribe is duly and formally given to said amendments. To make good the interest on investments and State stocks, and bonds for Indian tribes not yet paid by the States, to be reimbursed out of the interest when collected, fifteen thousand six hundred dollars and ninety-two cents.

For defraying expenses of the Supreme, Circuit and District Courts of the United States, including the District of Columbia, also for jurors and witnesses, in aid of the funds arising from fines, penalties, and forfeitures incurred in eighteen hundred and forty-two and preceding years, and likewise for defraying the expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, and of prosecutions for offences committed against the United States, and for the safe-keeping of prisoners, in addition to former appropriations, one hundred thousand dollars.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That professors of mathematics in the navy of the United States shall be entitled to live and mess with the lieutenants of sea going and receiving vessels, and shall receive such rations as lieutenants of the same ship or station shall receive.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

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 to contract for the building of a suitable house for a depot of charts and instruments of the navy of the United States, on a plan not exceeding in cost the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of ten thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, towards carrying this law into effect.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said establishment may be located on any portion of the public land in the District of Columbia which the President of the United States may deem suited to the purpose.

Approved, August 31, 1842.
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 shall appoint the requisite number of chief engineers and assistant engineers, not to exceed one chief engineer, two first assistant, two second assistant and three third assistant engineers for each steam ship of war, for the naval service of the United States, who shall be paid when in actual service as follows:

To the chief engineer, fifteen hundred dollars per annum and one ration per day; to the first assistant engineer, nine hundred dollars per annum and one ration per day; to the second assistant engineer, seven hundred dollars per annum and one ration per day; to the third assistant engineer, five hundred dollars per annum and one ration per day; the chief engineer shall be entitled to mess in the ward room of ships of war, and in all cases of prize money he shall share as a lieutenant; the first assistant engineer shall share as a lieutenant of marines; the second assistant engineer shall share as a midshipman; the third assistant engineer shall share as the forward officers; but neither the chief nor the assistant engineers shall hold any other rank than as engineers.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy shall be authorized to enlist and employ the requisite number of firemen, who shall receive, each, thirty dollars per month and one ration per day, and the requisite number of coal-heavers, who shall receive, each, eighteen dollars per month, and one ration per day; and the said firemen and coal-heavers shall, in all cases of prize money, share as seamen.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said chief engineer and assistant engineers, when waiting orders, shall be paid as follows: To the chief engineer, twelve hundred dollars per annum; to the first assistant engineer, seven hundred dollars per annum; to the second assistant engineer, five hundred dollars per annum; to the third assistant engineer, three hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy shall appoint a skilful and scientific engineer in chief, who shall receive for his services the sum of three thousand dollars per annum, and shall perform such duties as the Secretary of the Navy shall require of him touching that branch of the service.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy shall be authorized to prescribe a uniform for the said chief engineers and assistant engineers, and to make all necessary rules and regulations for the proper arrangement and government of the corps of engineers and assistant engineers, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the United States. The said engineers and assistant engineers shall be in all respects, subject to the laws, rules, and regulations of the naval service, in like manner with other officers of the service.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That the said chief engineers shall [be] appointed by commission, and the assistant engineers shall be appointed by warrant from the Secretary of the Navy, in such form as he may prescribe.

And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish, at such places as he may deem necessary, suitable depots of coal, or other fuel, for the supply of steam ships of war.

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STATUTE II.
Aug. 31, 1842.

Appropriations
for subsistence
in act 23d Aug.
1842, ch. 192,
al applicable
to subsistence
furnished in 1839
and 1840.

Proviso.

Proviso.

STATUTE II.
Aug. 31, 1842.

Newcastle and
Nobleboro
annexed as ports of
delivery.

Repealed by
act of March 3,
1843, ch. 79.

Sale of lottery
tickets in the
District of Co-

lumbia, after 1st
January 1843,
unlawful.

Penalty for
offending.

Sales of lottery
tickets void—
lawful to reco-
over the money.

Certain lottery
tickets excepted
for one year.

CHAP. CCLXXX.—An act concerning the payment of Florida militia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the appropriations for subsistence made in the act entitled "An act for the payment of Florida militia called into service in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, and eighteen hundred and forty," and approved August twenty-third, eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall be applicable to the settlement of any claims for subsistence furnished to the Florida militia in eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, and eighteen hundred and forty, not heretofore settled: Provided, That no supplies be paid for other than those authorized by law or regulation: And provided, further, That the appropriation specified in said act shall not be exceeded.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXXXI.—An act to extend the collection district of Wiscasset.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the towns of Newcastle and Nobleboro, lying on the Damariscotta river, in the State of Maine, be annexed to the collection district of Wiscasset, as ports of delivery only.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXXXII.—An act to suppress the vending of lottery tickets in the Dis-

trict of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, it shall not be lawful, to keep within the District of Columbia any office or place of business for the sale of lottery tickets, or of any share or interest in lottery tickets, nor shall it be lawful to sell or offer for sale within the said District, any lottery ticket or any share or interest in any lottery ticket; and every person who shall be duly convicted of offending against the provisions of this act shall be punished by imprisonment in the common jail of the county in which the offence shall have been committed for a period not less than one, nor more than six calendar months, and shall forfeit and pay a fine of not less than one hundred nor exceeding one thousand dollars, one half of which shall go to the informer, and the other half to the municipal corporation within whose corporate limits the offence shall have been committed; but if committed without the limits of any municipal corporation, then such moiety of the fine shall go to the United States.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the contract of sale for such lottery ticket or tickets, or share or interest in such lottery ticket or tickets, shall be absolutely void, and the person or persons paying therefor shall have a right to recover back the money paid therefor as money paid on a void consideration: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to restrain the selling of lottery tickets, so far as the same is authorized by any existing contract made by the Common Council of the city of Alexandria, under an ordinance of the Common Council of the said city, passed on the fifth day of December, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, and approved by the President of the United States, if such contract is made, and so far as the same is made, in conformity with the provisions of its charter, nor so far as the selling of the same is authorized by any subsisting license of any of the cities of the said District, for the period of one year from the passage of this act: And provided, further, That it shall not be lawful, under color of any
contract made with the Common Council of the said city of Alexandria, as aforesaid, to vend or sell tickets, or parts of tickets, or shares, in any lottery or lotteries, authorized by the Legislature of any State or Territory within the United States, or any foreign Government.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

Chap. CCLXXXIII.—An Act to provide for purchasing materials and for the support of the penitentiary in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of seven thousand nine hundred and sixty-five dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the purpose of furnishing raw materials for manufacture and for the support of the penitentiary in the District of Columbia, to be expended under the direction of the board of inspectors of said penitentiary, and to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

Chap. CCLXXXVI.—An Act to reorganize the Navy Department of the United States. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act approved February seventh, eighteen hundred and fifteen, entitled "An act to alter and amend the several acts establishing a Navy Department, by adding thereto a Board of Commissioners," be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be attached to the Navy Department the following bureaus, to wit:
1. A bureau of Navy Yards and Docks.
4. A bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography.
5. A bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint, from the captains in the naval service, a chief for each of the bureaus of Navy Yards and Docks, and of Ordnance and Hydrography, who shall each receive a salary of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum, in lieu of all other compensation whatever, in the naval service; and shall, in like manner, appoint a chief of the bureau of Construction, Equipment, and Repairs, who shall be a skilful naval constructor, and shall also appoint a chief of the bureau of Provisions and Clothing, who shall each receive for his services three thousand dollars per annum; and shall in like manner appoint from the surgeons of the navy a chief of the bureau of Medicine and Surgery, who shall receive for his services two thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy shall appoint the following clerks, to wit:

For the office of the Secretary of the Navy, a chief clerk, who shall receive for his services two thousand dollars per annum; one recording clerk, who shall receive for his services one thousand four hundred dollars per annum; three recording clerks, who shall receive for their services each one thousand dollars per annum; one principal corresponding clerk, who shall receive for his services one thousand five hundred dollars per annum; and two assistant corresponding clerks, who shall receive for their services each twelve hundred dollars per annum; one

(a) Notes of the acts relating to the navy of the United States, vol. 2, 699.
warrant clerk, who shall receive for his services twelve hundred dollars per annum; and one miscellaneous clerk, who shall receive for his services eight hundred dollars per annum.

For the bureau of Navy Yards and Docks, one civil engineer, who shall receive for his services two thousand dollars per annum; one draughtsman, who shall receive for his services one thousand dollars per annum; one chief clerk, who shall receive for his services one thousand four hundred dollars per annum; and two assistant clerks, one of whom shall receive for his services one thousand dollars per annum, and the other shall receive for his services eight hundred dollars per annum.

For the bureau of Construction, Equipment, and Repairs, one assistant constructor and draughtsman, who shall receive for his services the sum of one thousand six hundred dollars per annum; and four clerks, one of whom shall receive for his services fourteen hundred dollars per annum, and the others shall receive for their services one thousand dollars per annum, each.

For the bureau of Provisions and Clothing, one chief clerk, who shall receive for his services one thousand four hundred dollars per annum; and two clerks, one of whom shall receive for his services one thousand two hundred dollars per annum, and the other shall receive for his services eight hundred dollars per annum.

For the bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography, one draughtsman, who shall receive for his services one thousand dollars per annum; and three clerks, one of whom shall receive for his services twelve hundred dollars per annum, and the others shall receive for their services one thousand dollars per annum, each.

For the bureau of Medicine and Surgery, two clerks, one of whom shall receive for his services twelve hundred dollars per annum, and the other shall receive for his services eight hundred dollars per annum; and one assistant surgeon, who shall receive for his services not less than the highest pay of his grade in the service.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy shall assign and distribute among the said bureaus such of the duties of the Navy Department, as he shall judge to be expedient and proper, and all the duties of the said bureaus shall be performed under the authority of the Secretary of the Navy, and their orders shall be considered as emanating from him, and shall have full force and effect as such.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That there shall be allowed to each bureau a messenger, who shall receive for his services a compensation not exceeding seven hundred dollars per annum.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the chief of each bureau hereby established shall be authorized to frank all communications from his bureau; and all communications to his bureau, on the business thereof, shall be free of postage.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That the books, records, and papers, now belonging to the office of the Navy Commissioners shall be distributed among the bureaus, according to the nature of their duties respectively; and the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to provide for each bureau, such books of record and accounts, and such stationery, as may be found necessary; for which purpose the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, payable out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That the unexpended balance of the appropriation for clerks in the office of the Secretary of the Navy, and the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the Commissioners of the Navy, their Secretary and clerks, together with such additional sum as may be necessary to carry this law into effect, be, and the same
are hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not other-

wise appropriated.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy
shall, if the same can be done without detriment to the public service,
appoint, with their consent, officers of the navy, not above the grade of
lieutenants, to perform the duties of any clerkship created by this act,
(except as herein otherwise provided,) who shall receive each for their
services not more than nine hundred dollars per annum, including their
regular pay and rations; but the appointment of any officer in the navy
to any of the offices or clerkships in this act, shall in no manner what-
ever interfere with his grade in the service.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That all acts, or parts of acts
authorizing the President of the United States, or the Secretary of the
proper Department, under his direction to transfer any portion of the
moneys appropriated for a particular branch of expenditure in that De-
partment, to be applied to another branch of expenditure in the same
Department, be, and are hereby, so far as relates to the Department of
the Navy, repealed.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

Statute II.
Aug. 31, 1842.
[Obsolete.]

No stock au-
thorized by acts of 21st July
1841, ch. 3, and 18th April 1842,
ch. 26, to be sold below par.

Issue of trea-
sury notes au-
thorized upon
certain contin-
gencies.

Time for the
issuing of the
 treasurynotes
limited.

To be issued under the pro-
visions and limit-
atons of acts of
12th October
1837, ch. 2, and
31st March
1840, ch. 5.
Proviso.

Amount out-
standing not to
exceed $6,000,-
000.

Relative to
the issuing of cer-
 tificates of stock.

Chap. CCLXXXVII. — An Act to limit the sale of the public stock to par, and to
authorize the issue of Treasury notes, in lieu thereof, to a certain amount. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That no stock au-
thorized to be issued for a loan, by the act entitled "An act authorizing
a loan not exceeding the sum of twelve millions of dollars," approved
July twenty-first, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and the act amenda-
tory of the same, entitled "An act for the extension of the loan of
eighteen hundred and forty-one, and for an addition of five million of
dollars thereto, and for allowing interest on Treasury notes due," ap-
proved April fifteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall hereafter
be sold below par; and in case the same cannot be sold at or above par,
and the exigencies of the public service shall require the same, then and
in that case the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and hereby is,
authorized to issue Treasury notes in lieu of so much thereof as cannot
be thus negotiated, to an amount not exceeding six millions of dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Treasury notes au-
thorized to be issued by virtue of this act shall not be issued after the time
limited by said last mentioned act, being the fifteenth day of April,
eighteen hundred and forty-three, for making said loan, and they shall
be issued under the provisions and limitations contained in the act
entitled "An act to authorize the issuing of Treasury notes," approved
the twelfth day of October, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and as
modified by the act entitled "An act additional to the act on the sub-
ject of Treasury notes," approved March thirty-first, eighteen hundred
and forty: Provided, That the notes authorized to be issued by virtue of
this act may, when redeemed, be reissued, or new notes issued in
lieu of such as may be redeemed within the time above prescribed for
issuing the same, provided that not more than six millions in amount
shall be outstanding at any one time under the authority of this act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That nothing in the act contained,
entitled an act authorizing the loan, above referred to, and an act amena-
datory of the same, shall be so construed as to authorize the issue of
certificates of stock, for debts now due or to become due by the United
States, for any other purpose than a bona fide loan to the Government

(a) Notes of the acts authorizing the issuing of treasury notes, vol. 2, 766.
according to the original intention of that law, and that no certificate for any loan shall be issued for a less sum than one hundred dollars.

APPROVED, August 31, 1842.

STATUTE II.

Aug. 31, 1842. [Obsolete.]

CHAP. CCLXXXVIII.—An Act making appropriations for certain fortifications of the United States, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

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, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, for the preservation, repairs, and construction of certain fortifications, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, viz.:

Fort Preble.
For repairs at Fort Preble, Portland, Maine, one thousand dollars.

Fort Scammel.
For repairs of Fort Scammel, Portland, Maine, five thousand dollars.

Fort McClary.
For repairs of Fort McClary, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, five thousand dollars.

Fort Constitution.
For repairs of Fort Constitution, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, five thousand dollars.

Deer Island.
For repairs of sea-wall on Deer Island, Boston harbor, two thousand dollars.

Fort Independence.
For repairs of Fort Independence and sea-wall at Castle Island, balance of the original estimated cost of this work, being thirty thousand dollars.

Castle Island.
For Fort Warren, Boston harbor, thirty-three thousand dollars.

Fort Warren.
For repairs of old Fort Griswold, New London harbor, Connecticut, five thousand dollars.

Ft. Griswold.
For completing the repairs of Fort Niagara, at the mouth of Niagara river, New York, and erecting and repairing the necessary buildings therein, five thousand dollars.

Ft. Niagara.
For completing the repairs of Fort Ontario, at Oswego, New York, and erecting the necessary buildings therein, six thousand dollars.

Ft. Schuyler.
For Fort Schuyler, New York harbor, twenty thousand dollars.

Castle Williams.
For completing Castle Williams, New York harbor, five thousand dollars.

South Battery.
For completing South Battery, New York harbor, two thousand dollars.

Ft. Columbus.
For completing Fort Columbus, New York harbor, two thousand dollars.

Wharves, New York Harbor.
For permanent wharves for Fort Columbus, Castle Williams, and South Battery, Governor's Island, New York harbor, and to complete the work according to the original estimates, eight thousand dollars.

Ft. Hamilton.
For repairs at Fort Hamilton, New York harbor, five thousand dollars.

Ft. Lafayette.
For repairs and for correcting defective construction of Fort Lafayette, New York harbor, twelve thousand dollars.

Ft. Monroe.
For Fort Monroe, Old Point Comfort, Virginia, thirty-five thousand dollars.

Ft. Macon.
For repairs of Fort Macon, Beaufort, North Carolina, five thousand dollars.

Ft. Sumter.
For preservation of the site of the same, seven thousand dollars.

Ft. Livingston.
For Fort Livingston, Barrataria bay, Louisiana, ten thousand dollars.

Ft. Towson.
For carrying on the work at Fort Towson, ten thousand dollars.

Ft. Smith.
For carrying on the work at Fort Smith, ten thousand dollars.

APPROVED, August 31, 1842.
RESOLUTIONS.

No. 2. Joint Resolution on the subject of printing the tables of the sixth census.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the payment of the money heretofore appropriated by Congress, to pay the expenses of the sixth census, be so far suspended, as that no money shall be paid for the printing of the compendium or abridgment of the sixth census by counties and principal towns, together with the tables of apportionment, as prepared at the Department of State for the use of Congress, until the further order of Congress.

Approved, April 14, 1842.

No. 3. A Resolution further to provide for the distribution of the printed returns of the sixth census, and other documents connected with the same, the printing of which has been heretofore directed by law.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the statistics, including the census of pensioners, and the compendium or abridgment of the sixth census of the United States, heretofore required by law to be printed under the direction of the Secretary of State, shall be distributed and disposed of by the Secretary in the manner and in the proportions specified in the joint resolution of Congress passed the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one: Provided, always, That seventeen thousand copies of the said compendium or abridgment shall be distributed among the States, Territories, and persons entitled to distribution under the said resolution, and in the proportions therein specified, and that the remaining copies of the said statistics and compendium be placed in the Library of Congress for future distribution.

Approved, April 15, 1842.

No. 4. Joint Resolution to continue two clerks in the business of reservations and grants under Indian treaties.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the authority given to the Secretary of War by the joint resolution, approved second May, one thousand eight hundred and forty, to continue the employment of two clerks in the business of reservations and grants under Indian treaties, be extended, after the expiration of the period for which that authority was granted, for the term of two years.

Approved, May 18, 1842.

No. 5. A Resolution to authorize the extension of the contract for carrying the mail on the route between Mobile and New Orleans.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General be, and he hereby is, authorized to extend the existing contract for carrying the mail upon the steamboat route between Mobile and New Orleans for three years from the time at which said contract would expire by its own limitations, if, in his opinion, the public interest and convenience will be promoted by such extension of said contract.

Approved, June 1, 1842.
Aug. 11, 1842.

No. 7. Joint Resolution to authorize the commission appointed to prepare rules and regulations for the naval service to appoint a clerk.

Resolved 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, agreeably to his request, to employ a temporary clerk for the purpose of aiding the Attorney General and himself in carrying into effect the resolution of the twenty-fourth May, eighteen hundred and forty-two, which requires of them the preparation of rules and regulations for the Navy.

Approved, August 11, 1842.

Aug. 16, 1842.

No. 8. A Resolution declarative of the pension act of July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the benefits of the act entitled “An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows,” approved the seventh day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, shall not be withheld from any widow whose husband died after the passage of the act of the seventh of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and before the act of the seventh July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, if otherwise entitled to the same.

Approved, August 16, 1842.

Aug. 30, 1842.

No. 10. Joint Resolution to institute proceedings to ascertain the title to Rush Island, ceded in the Caddo Treaty.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the District Attorney of the United States for the Western District of Louisiana be, and is hereby directed to institute such legal proceedings in the proper court as may be necessary to vindicate the right of the United States to Rush Island, which is alleged to have been improperly included in the limits of the lands ceded by the Caddo Indians to the United States, by the treaty of the first July, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, and reserved by said treaty in favour of certain persons by the name of Grappe.

Approved, August 30, 1842.

Aug. 31, 1842.

No. 12. Joint Resolution authorizing experiments to be made for the purpose of testing Samuel Colt’s submarine battery, and for other purposes.

Resolved, 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, instructed to render Mr. Samuel Colt facilities to test his submarine battery to an extent which will settle the questions whether these or any other plan can, with ease and safety, successfully be employed as a power sufficient to destroy the largest class of ships of war, when in motion passing in or out of harbor, without the necessity of approach within reach of shot from guns of the largest caliber; and whether continued operations of the destruction of one or more vessels can be effected with renewing the means under exposure of an advancing squadron; and whether the same can be used for the defence of a harbor without endangering the passage in or out of other than hostile vessels. And that he report at the next session of Congress, the expense and result of these experiments: Provided, That the amount so expended does not exceed the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, to be taken from the fund appropriated by the act of eleventh of September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, for experiments connected with the naval service of the United States.
SEC. 2. And be it further resolved, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to make such experimental trial of the several inventions of Thomas M. Easton, Ethan Campbell, Aaron Quincy, or either of them, or of other persons, to prevent the explosion of steam boilers, as may be necessary to test their value and utility as applicable for the purposes aforesaid, to the steamships of the United States; and the sum of six thousand dollars is hereby appropriated therefor out of the fund heretofore named.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

No. 13. A Resolution to provide for the payment of the expenses incurred by the Legation at Mexico.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of six thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses incurred by the Legation of the United States at Mexico, on account of the subsistence, clothing and transportation of prisoners, Provided so much be necessary upon the adjustment of the accounts of the State Department.

Approved, August 31, 1842.

No. 14. A Resolution to authorize an extension of a contract for carrying the mail.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General be, and he is hereby, authorized, if in his opinion the interest of the Department will be promoted thereby, to extend at this time the contract for the conveyance of the mail on the Potomac, for four years from the termination of the present contract, in such a way as to receive the regular transmission of the mail, by means of ice-boats: And provided That the compensation does not exceed the present rates for two boats' service.

Approved, August 31, 1842.
ACTS OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS
OF THE
UNITED STATES,

Passed at the third session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the 5th day of December, 1842, and ended the 3d day of March, 1843.

JOHN TYLER, President of the United States. WILLIE P. MANGUM, President of the Senate, pro tempore. JOHN WHITE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE III.

CHAP. II. — An Act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of Government for the half calendar year ending the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-three.

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 hereby are, appropriated to the objects hereinafter expressed, for the half calendar year ending on thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-three, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, namely:

For compensation and mileage of Senators and members of the House of Representatives and Delegates from the Territories, three hundred and sixty-six thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight dollars.

For compensation of the officers and clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives, twenty thousand two hundred and seventy-four dollars.

For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the Senate, thirty-five thousand dollars.

For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

For compensation of the principal and two assistant librarians, and messenger of the library of Congress, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said library, four hundred dollars.

For purchase of books of [for] said library, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For purchase of law books for said library, five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the President of the United States, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

Department of State.—For compensation of the Secretary of State, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his department, thirteen thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For incidental and contingent expenses of said department, including publishing and distributing the laws, twelve thousand six hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the superintendent and three watchmen of the northeast executive building, six hundred and seventy-two dollars and fifty cents.

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:

For labor, six hundred dollars;
For fuel and light, seven hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars.

Treasury Department.—For compensation of the Secretary of the Treasury, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, thirteen thousand nine hundred and twenty-five dollars.
For compensation of the First Comptroller, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, eleven thousand four hundred and seventy-five dollars.
For compensation of the Second Comptroller, and the clerks and messenger in his office, seven thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars.
For compensation of the First Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, nine thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars.
For compensation of the Second Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, ten thousand seven hundred and five dollars and forty-nine cents.
For compensation of the Third Auditor, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nineteen thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars.
For compensation of the Fourth Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, ten thousand and seventy-five dollars.
For compensation of the Fifth Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, seven thousand four hundred dollars.
For compensation of the Treasurer of the United States, and the clerks and messenger in his office, six thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars.
For compensation of the Register of the Treasury, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, fourteen thousand three hundred dollars.
For compensation of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the recorder, solicitor, draughtsman, assistant draughtsman, clerks, messengers, and packers, in his office, forty-nine thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.
For compensation of the Solicitor of the Treasury, and the clerks and messenger in his office, six thousand two hundred dollars.
For the incidental and contingent expenses of the Treasury Department, viz.:
In the office of the Secretary of the Treasury:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For newspapers and periodicals, fifty dollars;
For labor, seventy-five dollars;
For extra clerk hire, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For printing, (including the printing of the public accounts,) one thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars;
For sealing ship registers, fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars;
For translating foreign languages, seventy-five dollars;
In the office of the First Comptroller:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;
For labor, two hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For extra clerk hire, two hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars;
In the office of the Second Comptroller:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, one hundred dollars;
For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars;
1st Auditor.
In the office of the First Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, one hundred dollars;
For extra clerk hire, one hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;

2d Auditor.
In the office of the Second Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For extra clerk hire, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;

3d Auditor.
In the office of the Third Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For extra clerk hire, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;

4th Auditor.
In the office of the Fourth Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;
For labor, twenty-five dollars;
For extra clerk hire, fifty dollars;
For printing, twenty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars;

5th Auditor.
In the office of the Fifth Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For labor, sixty-two dollars and fifty cents;
For extra clerk hire, twenty-five dollars;
For miscellaneous items, sixty-two dollars and fifty cents;

Treasurer.
In the Treasurer's office:
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and fifty cents;

Solicitor.
In the Solicitor's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, fifty dollars;
For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars;

Register.
In the Register's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;
For labor, one hundred and seventy-five dollars;
For printing, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars;

In the General Land Office:
For blank books, binding, stationery, and parchments, six thousand dollars;
For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For printing, two thousand dollars;
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars;
For compensation of the superintendent and eight watchmen of the
southeast executive building, one thousand seven hundred dollars;
For contingent expenses of said building, viz.:
For labor, one thousand one hundred dollars;
For fuel and light, one thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, eight hundred and fifty dollars.

S. E. executive building.
Contingent expenses.

War Department.
Secretary.
Commissioner of Ind. affairs, &c.

War Department.—For compensation of the Secretary of War, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nine thousand six hundred and seventy-five dollars.
For compensation of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and the
clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nine thousand seven hundred dollars.

For compensation of the Commissioner of Pensions, and the clerks and messengers in his office, seven thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerk and messenger in the office of the Commanding General, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Adjutant General, three thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Quartermaster General, three thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Paymaster General, three thousand five hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of clothing and equipage at Philadelphia, two thousand one hundred dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence, two thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Chief Engineer, two thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Surgeon General, one thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Colonel of Ordinance, four thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the bureau of Topographical Engineers, two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the superintendent and four watchmen of the northwest executive building, eight hundred and fifty-five dollars;

For contingent expenses of the War Department, viz:

In the office of the Secretary of War:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;

For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars:

For printing, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, two hundred and seventy-five dollars;

For books, maps, and plans, five hundred dollars.

For extra clerk hire, one thousand five hundred dollars.

In the office of Commissioner of Indian affairs:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;

For labor, twenty-five dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

In the office of the Commissioner of Pensions:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dollars:

For printing, two hundred dollars;

For fuel, seventy-five dollars;

In the office of the Commanding General:

For miscellaneous items, two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

In the office of the Quartermaster General:

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

In the office of the Chief Engineer:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For labor, fifty dollars;

For printing, fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars.

Commissioner of Pensions, &c.

Office of Commanding General.

Adjutant General.

Quartermaster General.

Paymaster General.

Clothing and Equipage.

Commissary General of Subsistence.

Chief Engineer.

Surgeon General.

Colonel of Ordnance.

Topographical Engineers.

N. W. executive building.

Contingent expenses.

Office of the Secretary.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Commissioner of Pensions.

Commanding General.

Quartermaster General.

Chief Engineer.
Colonel of Ordnance.

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.
In the office of the Colonel of Ordnance:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars;
For printing, fifty dollars.
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

Topographical Engineers.

In the Bureau of Topographical Engineers:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars;
For labor, fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars.

N.W. executive building.

For the northwest executive building:
For labor, two hundred dollars;
For fuel and light, one thousand dollars;
For miscellaneous items, eight hundred dollars.

Navy Department.

Secretary's office.

For compensation of the Secretary of the Navy, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nine thousand six hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For contingent expenses of said office, including blank books, binding, stationery, extra clerk hire, printing, labor, miscellaneous items, and newspapers and periodicals, two thousand three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Navy-yards and Docks, and the draughtsman, clerks, and messenger, in his office, four thousand two hundred dollars.

Bureau of Navy-yards and Docks.

For the contingent expenses of the bureau of Navy-yards and Docks, two hundred and fifty dollars.

Bureau of Construction, Equipment and Repair.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Construction, Equipment, and Repair, and the assistant constructor, clerks, and messenger, in his office, four thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, including blank books, stationery, printing, labor, and miscellaneous items, two hundred and fifty dollars.

Bureau of Provisions and Clothing.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Provisions and Clothing, and the clerks and messenger in his office, three thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, including blank books, stationery, binding, and miscellaneous items, two thousand and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography, and the draughtsman, clerks, and messenger, in his office, four thousand seven hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, two hundred and fifty dollars.

Bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and the clerks and messenger in his office, two thousand six hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, including blank books, binding, stationery, and miscellaneous items, four hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the superintendent and three watchmen of the southwest executive building, six hundred and sixty-eight dollars.

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:
For labor, one hundred and sixty-two dollars;
For fuel and lights, six hundred and seventy-five dollars;
For miscellaneous items, five hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Post Office Department.

Postmaster General, &c.

For compensation of the Postmaster General and the three Assistant Postmasters General, and the clerks, messenger, and three assistant messengers, and two watchmen, of the Post Office Department, thirty-seven thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said department, viz:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;
For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars;
For fuel and oil, one thousand five hundred dollars;
For printing, two hundred dollars;
For labor, four hundred dollars;
For one day watchman, one hundred and eighty dollars;
For compensation of temporary clerks, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the Auditor for the Post Office Department, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, forty-two thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said office, viz:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars;
For printing blanks, four hundred dollars;
For labor, five hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.

Surveyors and their Clerks.—For compensation of the surveyor general northwest of the Ohio, and the clerks in his office, four thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Illinois and Missouri, and the clerks in his office, two thousand nine hundred and ten dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Arkansas, and the clerks in his office, two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Louisiana, and the clerks in his office, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Mississippi, and the clerks in his office, three thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Alabama, and the clerks in his office, two thousand dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Florida, and the clerks in his office, two thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Wisconsin and Iowa, and the clerks in his office, one thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the secretary to sign patents for public lands, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the Commissioner of Public Buildings in Washington city, and the three assistants, as draw-keepers at the Potomac bridge, including oil, fire wood, and repairs, two thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars.

United States Mint and Branches.—For compensation of the officers and workmen of the mint at Philadelphia, viz:
For the director, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the treasurer, one thousand dollars;
For the chief coiner, one thousand dollars;
For the assayer, one thousand dollars;
For the melter and refiner, one thousand dollars;
For the engraver, one thousand dollars;
For the assistant assayer, six hundred and fifty dollars;
For four clerks, two thousand two hundred dollars;
For wages to workmen, twelve thousand dollars;
For specimens of ores and coins to be reserved at said mint, three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at Charlotte, in North Carolina, viz:
For the superintendent, one thousand dollars;
For the assayer, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the coiner, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the clerk, five hundred dollars;
For wages to workmen, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at Dahlonega, in Georgia, viz:
For the superintendent, one thousand dollars;
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For the assayer, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the coiner, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the clerk, five hundred dollars;
For wages to workmen, one thousand four hundred and forty dollars.

For incidental and contingent expenses of said branch, including fuel, materials, stationery, taxes and wastage of gold, six hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at New Orleans, viz:
For the superintendent, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;
For the treasurer, one thousand dollars;
For the coiner, one thousand dollars;
For the assayer, one thousand dollars;
For the melter and refiner, one thousand dollars;
For two clerks, one thousand two hundred dollars;
For wages to workmen, ten thousand dollars.

For incidental and contingent expenses of said branch, including fuel, materials, stationery, and wastage of gold and silver, eight thousand dollars.

Governments in the Territories of the United States.—For compensation of the officers of Wisconsin Territory, viz.: For Governor, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars; for three judges, two thousand seven hundred dollars; for secretary, six hundred dollars;
For contingent expenses of said Territory, one hundred and seventy-five dollars;
For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, pay of officers, printing, stationery, fuel, furniture, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, nineteen thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars;
For compensation of the officers of Iowa Territory, viz.: For Governor, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;
For three judges, two thousand seven hundred dollars;
For secretary, six hundred dollars.
For contingent expenses of said Territory, one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the officers of the Florida Territory, viz:
For Governor, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;
For five judges, four thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For secretary, seven hundred and fifty dollars.
For contingent expenses of said Territory, one hundred and seventy-five dollars.
For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Council of said Territory, pay of officers, stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, including the private secretary of the executive office, twenty-seven thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Judiciary.—For compensation of the officers of the Judiciary, viz:
For the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, two thousand five hundred dollars;
For eight associate judges of said court, eighteen thousand dollars;
For the district judge of Maine, nine hundred dollars;
For the district judge of New Hampshire, five hundred dollars;
For the district judge of Massachusetts, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Vermont, six hundred dollars;
For the district judge of Rhode Island, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Connecticut, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of New York, northern district, one thousand dollars;

Workmen. Contingent expenses.

Branch mint at New Orleans—officers.

Workmen. Contingent expenses.


For the district judge of New York, southern district, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of New Jersey, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Pennsylvania, eastern district, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Pennsylvania, western district, nine hundred dollars;
For the district judge of Delaware, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Maryland, one thousand dollars;
For the district judge of Virginia, eastern district, nine hundred dollars;
For the district judge of Virginia, western district, eight hundred dollars;
For the district judge of Kentucky, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Tennessee, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Ohio, five hundred dollars;
For the district judge of North Carolina, one thousand dollars;
For the district judge of South Carolina, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Georgia, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Louisiana, one thousand five hundred dollars:
For the district judge of Mississippi, one thousand dollars;
For the district judge of Indiana, five hundred dollars;
For the district judge of Illinois, five hundred dollars;
For the district judge of Alabama, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Missouri, six hundred dollars;
For the district judge of Michigan, seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For the district judge of Arkansas, one thousand dollars;
For the chief justice of the District of Columbia, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;
For the two associate judges of said District, two thousand five hundred dollars;
For the judge of the Criminal Court of said District, one thousand dollars;
For the judge of the Orphans' Court of Washington county, in said District, five hundred dollars;
For the judge of the Orphans' Court of Alexandria county, in said District, five hundred dollars;
For the Attorney General of the United States, and the clerk and messenger in his office, and the contingent expenses thereof, three thousand dollars;
For the reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, six hundred and fifty dollars.
For the district attorney of Maine, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of New Hampshire, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Massachusetts, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Vermont, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Rhode Island, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Connecticut, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of New York, northern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of New Jersey, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Pennsylvania, eastern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Pennsylvania, western district, one hundred dollars.

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For the district attorney of Delaware, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Maryland, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Virginia, eastern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Virginia, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Tennessee, eastern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Tennessee, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Tennessee, Jackson district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Kentucky, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Ohio, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of North Carolina, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of South Carolina, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Georgia, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Louisiana, eastern district, three hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Louisiana, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Mississippi, northern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Mississippi, southern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Indiana, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Illinois, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Alabama, northern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Alabama, southern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Missouri, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Michigan, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Arkansas, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Florida, eastern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Florida, middle district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Florida, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Florida, southern district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Florida, Appalachian district, one hundred dollars.
For the district attorney of Wisconsin, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.
For the district attorney of Iowa, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Maine, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of New Hampshire, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Vermont, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Rhode Island, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Connecticut, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of New York, northern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of New Jersey, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Pennsylvania, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Delaware, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Virginia, eastern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Virginia, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of North Carolina, two hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Kentucky, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Ohio, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Tennessee, eastern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Tennessee, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Tennessee, Jackson district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Louisiana, eastern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Louisiana, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Mississippi, southern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Mississippi, northern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Indiana, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Illinois, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Alabama, northern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Alabama, southern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Missouri, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Michigan, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Arkansas, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Florida, eastern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Florida, middle district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Florida, western district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Florida, southern district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Florida, Appalachiocola district, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Wisconsin, one hundred dollars.
For the marshal of the district of Iowa, one hundred dollars.
For defraying the expenses of the supreme, circuit, and district courts of the United States, including the District of Columbia; also, for jurors and witnesses, in aid of the funds arising from fines, penalties and forfeitures, incurred in the year eighteen hundred and forty-three, and preceding years; and likewise for defraying the expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, and of prosecutions for offences committed against the United States, and for the safe-keeping of prisoners, including expenses under the bankrupt law, two hundred and thirty-eight thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.—Annuities and grants:
To Josiah H. Webb, twenty-five dollars;
To Rachel Dohrman, one hundred and fifty dollars;
To Elizabeth C. Perry, two hundred dollars;
For compensation of the two keepers of the public archives in Florida, five hundred dollars;
For expenses attending the preparation of the results and account of the exploring expedition for the publication thereof ordered by Congress, twenty thousand dollars.

For the support and maintenance of the penitentiary of the District of Columbia, six thousand six hundred and ninety dollars and eighty-four cents.

To make good a deficiency in the eighteen months ending the thirtieth of June, eight hundred and forty-three, and estimated deficiency in the year ending on the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and forty-four, in the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, as established by the act of the third of May, eighteen hundred and three, [two,] fifty-eight thousand five hundred dollars.

For carrying on the work of the new custom-house building at Boston, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For the discharge of such miscellaneous claims, not otherwise provided for, as shall be admitted in due course of settlement at the treasury, six thousand dollars: Provided, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended in the payment of any claims for finishing and furnishing the new custom-house in the city of New York.

Light-house Establishment.—For supplying the light-houses, containing two thousand six hundred and seventy-eight lamps, with oil, tube glasses, wicks, buffkins, whiting, and cotton cloth, transportation, and keeping apparatus in order, fifty-two thousand five hundred and ninety-five dollars and fifteen cents.

For repairs, refitting, and improvements of light-houses, and buildings connected therewith, thirty-eight thousand six hundred and thirty-three dollars and one cent.

For compensation of two hundred and thirty-six keepers of light-houses, eighteen of them being charged with double lights, and one with three, forty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine dollars.

For compensation of thirty keepers of floating lights, eight thousand dollars.

For seamen's wages, repairs, and supplies of thirty floating lights, thirty-one thousand five hundred and thirty-six dollars and fourteen cents.

For weighing, mooring, cleansing, repairing, and supplying the loss of beacons, buoys, chains, and sinkers, ten thousand four hundred and sixty-five dollars and fourteen cents.

For expenses of examining annually and reporting the condition of the light-houses, four thousand dollars.

For superintendents' commissions, at two and one half per cent., four thousand eight hundred and four dollars and seventy-three cents.

Intercourse with Foreign Nations.—For salaries of the ministers of the United States to Great Britain, France, Russia, Prussia, Austria, Spain, Mexico, and Brazil, thirty-six thousand dollars.

For salaries of the secretaries of legation to the same places, eight thousand dollars.

For salaries of the chargés des affaires to Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, Belgium, Chili, Peru, Venezuela, New Grenada, Texas, Naples, and Sardinia, twenty-seven thousand dollars.

For salary of the minister resident to Turkey, three thousand dollars.

For salary of a drogoman to the legation to Turkey, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For the contingent expenses of all the missions abroad, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the contingent expenses of foreign intercourse, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the salary of the consul at London, one thousand dollars.

For the relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries, twenty-five thousand dollars.
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For clerk hire, office rent, and other expenses of the office of the American consul at London, one thousand four hundred dollars.

For the expenses of intercourse with the Barbary Powers, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That, in case the sum appropriated for any object of contingencies should be found more than sufficient to meet the expense thereby contemplated, the surplus may be applied, under the direction of the head of the proper department, to supply the deficiency of any other item in the same department or office: Provided, That the expenditure for newspapers and periodicals shall not exceed the amount specifically appropriated to that object by this act, except in the State Department.

APPROVED, December 24, 1842.

CHAP. III.—An act to amend the act establishing a district court of the United States at Wheeling, Virginia. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter two annual terms of the district court for the western district of Virginia shall be holden at the city of Wheeling, commencing on the twenty-fifth March and the twenty-fifth of October, in lieu of the one term of the said district court now directed to be held at Wheeling.

APPROVED, January 20, 1843.

CHAP. IV.—An act to continue the office of Commissioner of Pensions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the office of Commissioner of Pensions shall be, and the same is hereby continued until the fourth of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That a Commissioner of Pensions shall be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the consent of the Senate, and that he shall execute, under the direction of the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, such duties in relation to the various pension laws as may be prescribed by the President: and also such duties in relation to the laws granting military bounty lands as may be assigned to him by the Secretary of War with the sanction of the President.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioner shall receive an annual salary of two thousand five hundred dollars, and shall have the privilege of sending and receiving letters and packets by mail free of postage.

APPROVED, January 20, 1843.

CHAP. XX.—An act to re-enact and continue in operation the several acts now in force for the relief of insolvent debtors of the United States. (b)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled, "An act to extend for a longer period the several acts now in force for the relief of insolvent debtors of the United States," approved the twenty-seventh May, eighteen hundred and forty, and the several acts therein mentioned, shall be, and the same are hereby, re-enacted and continued in force for three years from and after the expiration of the said first-mentioned act, and until the cases which may be depending

(a) See notes of the acts relating to the District Courts of Virginia, vol. 3, 479.
(b) See notes to the act of March 2, 1831, chap. 63.

Expenses of consulate at London. Barbary powers.

Any surplus for contingencies may be applied to supply deficiencies. Provided.


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when such first-mentioned act shall expire shall be determined, for the purpose of finally disposing of such cases, and for no other purpose.

APPROVED, January 28, 1843.

Statute III.

Feb. 4, 1843.

Chap. XXVI.—An Act for the payment of seven companies of Georgia militia, for services rendered in the years eighteen hundred and forty and eighteen hundred and forty-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War cause to be paid the companies of Captains Johnson, Henderson, Knight, Jones, and North, for services rendered in the year eighteen hundred and forty, according to the muster-rolls of said companies, now on file in the War Department, made out and verified by Captain J. Brown, of the United States army; and that he cause to be paid, also, the companies of Captains Jernigan and Sweat, for services rendered in the year eighteen hundred and forty-one, according to the muster-rolls of said companies, now on file in the War Department, as verified by Assistant Adjutant General W. W. S. Bliss, of the United States army; and that the laws and regulations applicable to the payment of the volunteers and militia of the United States govern in the payment of these companies; and that the sum of nineteen thousand three hundred and ninety-nine dollars and eighty-seven cents be, and hereby is, appropriated for the purpose of making said payments, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 4, 1843.

Statute III.

Feb. 14, 1843.

[Obsolete.]

Chap. XXVII.—An Act making appropriations for pensions for the half calendar year beginning the first day of January and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

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 not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of pensions for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four:

For invalid pensions for the said half calendar year, eighty-six thousand two hundred and forty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one hundred and fifty-eight thousand four hundred dollars.

For revolutionary pensions under the act of the eighteenth March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, for the said half calendar year, seventeen thousand six hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one hundred and ninety-two thousand dollars.

For pensions to widows and orphans, under the act of fourth of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, for the said half calendar year, four thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year two hundred and twenty-two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For five years' pensions to widows, under the act of seventh of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, for the said half calendar year, ten thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

(a) An act to define and establish the fiscal year of the treasury of the United States, Aug. 26, 1842, chap. 207.
For arrearages prior to July, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, payable through the Third Auditor, for the said half calendar year, one thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand dollars.

For arrearages and half pay pensions, through the Second Auditor, for the said fiscal year, five hundred dollars.

For half pay pensions, payable through the Third Auditor, for the said fiscal year, three thousand dollars.

Approved, February 14, 1843.

Chap. XXX.—An Act to amend the charter of the town of Alexandria.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Mayor of the town of Alexandria shall hereafter be annually elected, by ballot, by the citizens qualified to vote for members of the Common Council of the said town; and that the votes for Mayor shall be taken by the Commissioners appointed to superintend the election for members of the Common Council in the several wards of the said town, under the same laws and regulations as now govern the election of members of the Common Council, and at the same time and places appointed therefor, excepting so far as may by this act be otherwise hereinafter directed; and the Commissioners for all the wards, or a majority of the Commissioners for each ward, shall meet on the day after the said election at the Council Chamber in the town of Alexandria, or at such other fit and convenient place as the Common Council may, from time to time, direct, and then and there add and compare the votes given for Mayor in their respective wards, and the individual having the highest number of votes for the office of Mayor, shall be declared by the Commissioners so assembled to be duly elected; and they shall make out a certificate thereof, and cause the same to be delivered to the person elected, and a duplicate thereof to the Clerk of the Common Council; and if two or more persons voted for as Mayor shall have an equal and the highest number of votes, the Commissioners shall certify that fact, with the names of such persons, to the President or Chairman of the Common Council, whereupon the Common Council shall proceed to elect the Mayor from among those who received the equal and highest number of votes, in the manner now provided by law.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners, before they shall receive any vote for Mayor, shall, in addition to the oath or affirmation now required of them by law, severally take an oath or affirmation, truly and faithfully to receive and count the votes of such persons as are by law entitled to vote for Mayor of Alexandria in ward No. ———, and not knowingly to receive the vote of any person for Mayor who is not legally entitled to the same, which oath shall be administered by the Mayor, or any justice of the peace for the county of Alexandria.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That on the refusal of any person elected to the office of Mayor of Alexandria, in the mode prescribed in the foregoing sections, to accept the same, or on the death, resignation, inability, or removal of any person filling such office of Mayor of Alexandria, the Common Council of said town shall proceed to elect another person to fill said office for the remainder of the year.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the first election under this act shall be held at the time when the members of the Common Council of Alexandria are elected next after this act goes into effect: Provided, however, That nothing in the foregoing sections contained, shall in any wise alter, change, or affect the powers, duties, qualifications, or term of service of the Mayor of said town of Alexandria, as now provided by law, except so far as the same may be in conflict with this enactment.

Approved, February 15, 1843.

Arrearages and half-pay pensions.

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Election of the Mayor.

Commissioners of election to take an additional oath.

In case of vacancy, the Common Council to make the election.

Time of the first election.

Proviso. limiting the effect of this act.
CHAP. XXXI.—An Act to authorize the chief clerk in the office of the Secretary of State to frank public and official documents sent from that office.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the right and privilege of franking all public and official documents, that may be sent from the office of the Secretary of State, be, and hereby is, granted to the chief clerk in that office.

APPROVED, February 15, 1843.

CHAP. XXXII.—An Act to change the place of holding the circuit and district courts in the district of Maine.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the term of the circuit court of the United States, for the district of Maine, heretofore held at Wiscasset, in and for said district, on the first day of October, shall hereafter be held at Portland, in said district, on the first day of October, and that all writs, pleas, and recognizances and indictments, and all other proceedings, both civil and criminal, pending in said court, shall be returnable to and have day and be heard, tried, and proceeded in at Portland, in the same manner as they might have been done at Wiscasset, had the place of holding said court not been changed: Provided, however, if the first day of October happen on Sunday, then the court shall be held on the second day of said month.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the term of the district court of the United States for the district of Maine, heretofore held at Wiscasset, on the fourth Tuesday of February, shall hereafter be held at Portland on the first Tuesday of February, and that the term of said court heretofore held at Portland on the first Tuesday of June, shall hereafter be held at Bangor in said district, on the fourth Tuesday of June.

APPROVED, February 15, 1843.

CHAP. XXXIII.—An Act to authorize the Legislatures of the States of Illinois, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Tennessee, to sell the lands heretofore appropriated for the use of schools in those States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Legislatures of Illinois, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Tennessee, be, and they are hereby, authorized to provide by law for the sale and conveyance in fee simple, of all or any part of the lands heretofore reserved and appropriated by Congress for the use of schools within said States, and to invest the money arising from the sales thereof in some productive fund, the proceeds of which shall be forever applied, under the direction of said Legislatures, to the use and support of schools within the several townships and districts of country for which they were originally reserved and set apart, and for no other use or purpose whatever: Provided, Said land, or any part thereof, shall in no wise be sold without the consent of the inhabitants of such township or district, to be obtained in such manner as the Legislatures of said States shall by law direct; and in the apportionment of the proceeds of said fund, each township and district shall be entitled to such part thereof, and no more, as shall have accrued from the sum or sums of money arising from the sale of the school lands belonging to such township or district.

(a) District Court of Maine, vol. 3, 413.

Notes of the acts relating to the circuit court of the district of Maine, vol. 3, 773.
SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Legislatures of said States be, and they are hereby, authorized to make such laws and needful regulations as may be deemed expedient to secure and protect from injury or waste, the sections reserved by the laws of Congress, for the use of schools, to each township, and to provide by law, if not deemed expedient to sell, for leasing the same for any term not exceeding four years, in such manner as to render them productive, and most conducive to the object for which they were designed.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That if the proceeds accruing to any township or district from said fund, shall be insufficient for the support of schools therein, it shall be lawful for said Legislatures to invest the same in the most secure and productive manner, until the whole proceeds of the fund belonging to such township or district shall be adequate to the permanent maintenance and support of schools within the same: Provided, That the Legislatures aforesaid shall, in no case, invest the proceeds of the sale of the lands in any township in manner aforesaid, without the consent of the inhabitants of said township or district, to be obtained as aforesaid.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That any sales of such lands, reserved as aforesaid, as have been made in pursuance of any of the laws enacted by the Legislatures of said States, and not inconsistent with the principles of this act, are hereby ratified and confirmed so far as the assent of the United States to the same may be necessary to the confirmation thereof.

Approved, February 15, 1843.

CHAP. XXXIV.—An Act for the relief of the owners of the fund received from the British Government as an indemnity for slaves lost from on board the Comet and Encomium at Nassau, Bahamas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of seven thousand nine hundred and sixty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents, a balance of the indemnities received from the British Government for loss of slaves from on board the Comet and the Encomium, at Nassau, paid into the treasury by the late John Forsyth, be paid, on the order of the Secretary of State, to the persons or companies entitled thereto.

Approved, February 18, 1843.

CHAP. XLIV.—An Act altering the times of holding the circuit court of the United States for the district of Connecticut.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the circuit court of the United States for the district of Connecticut, shall hereafter be held on the fourth Tuesday in April, and on the third Tuesday in September in each year, instead of the last Wednesday in April, and the seventeenth day of September, the times heretofore established by law.

And all indictments, informations, recognisances, writs, suits, pleas, actions, motions, and all other proceedings, civil and criminal, shall be heard, tried, proceeded with, and determined by the said court, in the same manner as they might and ought to have been done, had the said court been holden at the times heretofore directed by law.

Approved, February 24, 1843.
Statute III.
Feb. 24, 1843.
1850, ch. 17.

Act of 17th March, 1800, ch. 15, so far as relates to Mary-
land, revived and continued to 1st June, 1850.

Proviso.

Statute III.
Feb. 27, 1843.

Duties of melter and refiner transferred from the assayer to
the coiner in the branch mints at Dahlonega and Charlotte.

Statute III.
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The appropria-
tion for Ocracoke hospital not to revert to the surplus
fund.
1842, ch. 255.

Statute III.
March 1, 1843.

Act of 16th July, 1798, ch. 77, extended to the coasting
trade.
Act of July 29, 1840, ch. 48.
Act of Feb. 22, 1842, ch. 3.
Measures to be taken to collect hospital money.

Chap. XLV.—An Act to continue in force an act therein mentioned, relating to
the port of Baltimore.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act pass-
ed the seventeenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred, entitled
"An act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States
of Maryland and Georgia," and which by subsequent acts has been re-
vived and continued in force until the third of March, one thousand
eight hundred and forty-three, be, and the same, so far as it relates to
the act of the State of Maryland, is hereby revived and continued in
force until the first day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred
and fifty: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall authorize the
demand of a duty on tonnage on vessels propelled by steam employed
in the transportation of passengers.

Approved, February 24, 1843.

Chap. XLVI.—An Act amendatory of an act establishing the branch mint at
Dahlonega, Georgia, and defining the duties of assayer and coiner.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled, That an act passed
the thirteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-
seven, to amend an act entitled "An act to establish branches of the
mint of the United States," passed the third day of March, one thou-
sand eight hundred and thirty-five, be, and it is hereby, altered and
amended so as to transfer the duties of melter and refiner from the
assayer to the coiner at the branches of Dahlonega in Georgia, and of
Charlotte in North Carolina, respectively, and that all laws and parts of
laws conflicting with this act be, and they are hereby, repealed.

Approved, February 27, 1843.

Chap. XLVII.—An Act to amend an act entitled "An act making an appropria-
tion for the erection of a marine hospital at or near Ocracoke, North Carolina."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of ten thousand
dollars, appropriated by an act entitled "An act making an appropria-
tion for the erection of a marine hospital at or near Ocracoke, North
Carolina," shall not revert to the surplus fund at the expiration of two
years from and after the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred
and forty-four, anything in the act of March third, seventeen hundred
and ninety-five, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, February 27, 1843.

Chap. XLIX. — An Act amendatory of "An act for the relief of sick and dis-
able seamen."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions and
penalties of the act of the sixteenth of July, one thousand seven hundred
and ninety-eight, entitled "An act for the relief of sick and disabled
seamen," be, and the same hereby are, extended to the masters, owners
and seamen of registered vessels employed in carrying on the coasting
trade; and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to
issue such instructions to the collectors of the various ports as shall
secure the collection of hospital money from said seamen, masters and
owners.

Approved, March 1, 1843.
CHAP. L. — An Act to perfect the titles to lands south of the Arkansas river, held under New Madrid locations, and pre-emption rights under the act of one thousand eight hundred and fourteen [fifteen]. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the locations heretofore made of warrants issued under the act of the seventeenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the late county of New Madrid, in Missouri Territory, who suffered by earthquakes" of those locations which were made on the south side of the Arkansas river, if made in pursuance of the provisions of that act in other respects, shall be perfected into grants, in like manner as if the Indian title to the lands on the south side of said river had been completely extinguished at the time of the passage of said act.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in all cases in which the locations so made on the south side of the Arkansas river may have been sold, and the lands thus located under the act aforesaid have been appropriated by the United States, the owner of the warrants issued under the provisions of the act aforesaid shall have a right to enter, within twelve months after the passage of this act, without payment, the like quantity of the public lands, of any of the unappropriated and unimproved lands in the State of Arkansas, corresponding with the legal subdivisions.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That every settler on the public lands south of the Arkansas river shall be entitled to the same benefits accruing under the provisions of the pre-emption act of one thousand eight hundred and fourteen [fifteen], as though they had resided north of said river.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That all Cherokee pre-emptions which have been or may be located upon any of the surveyed lands of the United States, south of the base line in Arkansas, shall be confirmed, and patents shall issue thereon as in other cases.

Approved, March 1, 1843.

CHAP. LI. — An Act in relation to the two per cent. fund of the State of Mississippi.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the assent of Congress is hereby given to the appropriation, by the State of Mississippi, to the completion of the railroad from Brandon to Jackson, of the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, as a part of the two per cent. fund heretofore relinquished by Congress to said State; and that the Governor of said State be, and he is hereby, authorized, with the said two per cent. fund now in the Treasury of the United States, to enter any public lands in said State, subject to private entry, and in the name and on behalf of said State, to be held subject to the same trusts and purposes of said fund.

Approved, March 1, 1843.

(a) Under the act of February 17, 1815, chap. 45, New Madrid certificates could be located upon lands before they were offered at public sale under a proclamation of the President, or even surveyed by the public surveyor. Barry v. Gamble, 3 Howard, 32.

The act of April 26, 1832, chap. 40, recognised locations of this kind, although they disregarded the sectional lines by which the surveys were afterwards made. Ibid.
CHAP. LII. — An Act making appropriations for the support of the army and of the military academy, and for armories, arsenals, arms and munitions of war, and surveys, for the half calendar year ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

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 hereby are, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the army and of the military academy, and for armories, arsenals, arms and munitions of war, and surveys, for the half calendar year, commencing on the first day of January, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four:

For pay of the army for said half calendar year, two hundred and fifty-eight thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven dollars and ninety-two cents; and for said fiscal year, one million three hundred and thirteen thousand three hundred and seventy dollars.

For commutation of officers' subsistence for said half calendar year, one hundred and forty-nine thousand one hundred and seventy-three dollars and forty cents; and for said fiscal year, four hundred and sixty-one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight dollars.

For commutation of forage for officers' horses for said half calendar year, thirty-one thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars and fifty-six cents; and for said fiscal year, one hundred and one thousand and thirty-five dollars.

For payments in lieu of clothing for discharged soldiers and officers' servants, for said half calendar year, twenty-nine thousand four hundred and fifteen dollars; and for said fiscal year, fifty-eight thousand eight hundred and thirty dollars.

For subsistence in kind for said fiscal year, four hundred and ninety-five thousand four hundred and sixty-five dollars and sixty cents.

For clothing, camp and garrison equipage, for said fiscal year, one hundred thousand dollars.

For regular supplies in the quartermaster's department for said half calendar year, thirty thousand dollars; and for said fiscal year, one hundred and ninety-five thousand dollars.

For barracks, quarters, and storehouses, embracing the repairs and enlargement of barracks, quarters, storehouses, and hospitals; the erection of temporary cantonments and of gun-houses for the protection of cannon; the purchase of tools and materials and of furniture for the barrack rooms, rent of quarters for officers, of barracks for troops where there are no public buildings for their accommodation, of storehouses for the safe-keeping of subsistence, clothing, and other military supplies, and of grounds for summer cantonments and encampments for military practice, for said half calendar year, forty-five thousand dollars; and for said fiscal year, one hundred and five thousand dollars.

For arrearages for the completing quarters and barracks at Fort Severn, Maryland, nine thousand and twenty-nine dollars and fifty-three cents.

For the incidental expenses of the quartermasters' department, consisting of postage on public letters and packets, expenses of courts martial and courts of inquiry, including the additional compensation to judge advocates, members and witnesses; extra pay to soldiers under the act of March second, eighteen hundred and nineteen; expenses of
expresses and of the interment of non-commissioned officers and soldiers; hire of laborers; compensation of clerks in the offices of the quartermasters and assistant quartermasters, at posts where their duties cannot be performed without such aid, and of temporary agents in charge of dismantled works; and to such wagon and forage masters as it may be necessary to employ under the act of the fifth of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight; expenditures necessary to keep the regiments of dragoons and the four companies of light artillery complete, including the purchase of horses to supply the place of those which may be lost and become unfit for the service, and the erection of stables, for said fiscal year, one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars.

For transportation of officers' baggage, when travelling on duty without troops, for said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.

For transportation of troops and supplies, viz: transportation of the army and baggage, freight and ferriages, purchase or hire of horses, mules, oxen, carts, wagons, and boats, for purposes of transportation or garrison use; drayage and cartage; hire of teamsters; transportation of funds for the Pay department; expense of transport vessels and of procuring water at such posts as from their situations require it; transportation of clothing from the depot at Philadelphia to the stations of the troops; of subsistence from the places of purchase and delivery, under contracts, to such points as the circumstances of the service may require; of ordnance, ordnance stores, and small arms, from the foundries and armories, to the arsenals, fortifications, and frontier posts, for said fiscal year, one hundred and seventy thousand dollars.

For the current expenses of ordnance service for the said fiscal year, eighty thousand dollars.

For armaments of fortifications, including compensation of a competent person to superintend the manufacture of cannon, for the said fiscal year, one hundred thousand dollars.

For ordnance and ordnance stores, for the said fiscal year, seventy-five thousand dollars.

For manufacture of arms at national armories, for the said fiscal year, three hundred thousand dollars.

For repairs, improvements, and new machinery, at Springfield armory, for the said fiscal year, twenty-six thousand five hundred dollars.

For repairs, improvements, and new machinery, at Harper's Ferry armory, for the said fiscal year, thirty-thousand five hundred dollars.

For arsenals for the said fiscal year, ninety thousand dollars.

For purchase of saltpetre and brimstone for the said fiscal year, forty thousand dollars.

For completing the principal buildings of the arsenal at Charleston, South Carolina, for the said fiscal year, thirty-two thousand dollars.

For expenses of preparing drawings of artillery for the said fiscal year, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For surveys in reference to the military defences of the frontier, inland and Atlantic, for the said fiscal year, including a survey of the direct communication from Albemarle Sound to the Atlantic ocean, with a view to re-open a ship channel, fifteen thousand dollars.

For military and geographical surveys west of the Mississippi, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

For continuation of the surveys of the Northern and Northwestern lakes of the United States for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

For medical and hospital department, for said half calendar year, nine thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For continuing the meteorological observations at the military posts
of the United States, under the direction of the Surgeon General for said fiscal year, two thousand dollars.

For the continuation of improvements on the Missouri, Mississippi, Ohio and Arkansas rivers, for said half year, fifty thousand dollars; and for said fiscal year, one hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the military academy for the half calendar year and for the fiscal year aforesaid.

For pay of officers, instructors, cadets, and musicians, for said half calendar year, thirty thousand two hundred and thirty-two dollars; and for the said fiscal year, sixty thousand four hundred and sixty-four dollars: Provided, That hereafter in all cases of appointments of cadets to the West Point Academy, the individual selected shall be an actual resident of the congressional district of the State or Territory, or District of Columbia, from which the appointment purports to be made: And provided further, That the number of cadets by appointments hereafter to be made, shall be limited to the number of the representatives and delegates in Congress, and one for the District of Columbia, and that each congressional and territorial district and District of Columbia, shall be entitled to have one cadet at said academy: Provided, That nothing in this section shall prevent the appointment of an additional number of cadets not exceeding ten to be appointed at large, without being confined to a selection by congressional districts.

For commutation of subsistence, for said half calendar year, nineteen thousand eight hundred and seventy-three dollars and eighty cents; and for the said fiscal year, forty thousand and seventy-seven dollars.

For commutation of forage for officers’ horses, for said half calendar year, two thousand five hundred and ninety-two dollars; and for said fiscal year, five thousand one hundred and eighty-four dollars.

For commutation of clothing for officers’ servants, for said half calendar year, two hundred and ten dollars, and for said fiscal year, four hundred and twenty dollars.

For the various current and ordinary expenses of the academy, other than pay and subsistence, for said half calendar year, eleven thousand eight hundred and five dollars and ten cents; and for said fiscal year, twenty-four thousand nine hundred and forty-one dollars and twenty cents: Provided, That hereafter there shall not be a board of visitors appointed to visit the West Point Academy unless otherwise ordered by Congress.

For increase and expense of library, for said half calendar year, six hundred and fifty dollars; and for said fiscal year, one thousand three hundred dollars.

For construction of barracks for cadets for said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

Approved, March 1, 1843.

CHAP. LIII.—An Act regulating the mode of paying over to the State of Alabama the two per cent, fund relinquished to said State by the act approved on the fourth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the registers and receivers of public moneys at the different land offices in the State of Alabama be, and they are hereby, authorized and required, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, to take and receive from the actual settlers on the public lands in said State, in payment for their houses and improvements, entered by virtue of any of the pre-emption laws now in force, the bills of the Bank of the State of
Alabama, or any of the branches thereof, to an amount equal to the amount of the two per cent. fund relinquished to this State by the Congress of the United States, remaining unpaid: Provided, That no settler shall be allowed to enter more than one quarter section of land with the bills of said bank, or either of them: And provided further, That the State of Alabama shall receive from the Government of the United States, in payment of said two per cent. fund, the bills of the Bank of the State of Alabama, and the several branches thereof, taken and received by the registers and receivers, as aforesaid, from the settlers aforesaid, in payment for their pre-emption claims: And provided further, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to change the terms, conditions, and limitations, annexed to the relinquishment of said fund to the said State, by the act aforesaid; but such terms, conditions, and limitations, shall apply and be in full force in reference to said fund, notwithstanding its payment in the mode provided by this act.

Approved, March 1, 1843.

CHAP. LXXI.—An Act regulating the currency of foreign gold and silver coins in the United States. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, the following foreign gold coins shall pass current as money within the United States, and be receivable, by weight, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the rates following, that is to say: the gold coins of Great Britain, of not less than nine hundred and fifteen and a half thousandths in fineness, at ninety-four cents and six-tenths of a cent per pennyweight; and the gold coins of France, of not less than eight hundred and ninety-nine thousandths in fineness, at ninety-two cents and ten-thousandths of a cent per pennyweight.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, the following foreign silver coins shall pass current as money within the United States, and be receivable by tale, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the rates following, that is to say: the Spanish pillar dollars, and the dollars of Mexico, Peru, and Bolivia, of not less than eight hundred and ninety-seven thousandths in fineness, and four hundred and fifteen grains in weight, at one hundred cents each; and the five franc pieces of France, of not less than nine hundred thousandths in fineness, and three hundred and eighty-four grains in weight, at ninety-three cents each.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to cause assays of the coins made current by this act to be had at the mint of the United States, at least once in every year, and to make report of the result thereof to Congress.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXX. — An Act making appropriations for certain fortifications of the United States for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

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 they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, for the preservation, repairs, and construction of certain fortifications, for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June,

(a) Notes of the acts of Congress relating to the currency of foreign coins, vol. 2, 374.
one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four:

Fort Independence. For repairs of Fort Independence and sea-wall, Castle Island, Boston harbor, for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Fort Warren. For Fort Warren, Boston harbor, for the said half calendar year, twenty-five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.

Lovell's Island. For sea-wall on Lovell's Island, Boston harbor, for the said fiscal year, sixteen thousand dollars.

Fort Adams. For Fort Adams, Rhode Island, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year thirty thousand dollars.

Ft. Trumbull. For rebuilding Fort Trumbull, New London harbor, Connecticut, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four thousand dollars.

Fort Niagara. For repairs for Fort Niagara, New York, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars.

Fort Ontario. For repairs for Fort Ontario, New York, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

Fort Schuyler. For Fort Schuyler, East river, New York, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.

Fort Wood. For repairs of Fort Wood, Bedlow's island, New York harbor, New York, for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Fort Hamilton. For repairs of Fort Hamilton, New York harbor, New York, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

Fort Washington. For repairs of Fort Washington, Potomac river, Maryland, for the said fiscal year, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

Fort Monroe. For Fort Monroe, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, twenty-five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.

Fort Macon. For repairs of Fort Macon, Beaufort harbor, North Carolina, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, seven thousand dollars.

For preservation of site of Fort Macon, Beaufort harbor, North Carolina, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirteen thousand dollars.

Fort Caswell. For repairs for Fort Caswell, Cape Fear river, North Carolina, for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

Drunken Dick shoal. For dike to Drunken Dick shoal, for preservation of Sullivan's Island and site of Fort Moultrie, South Carolina, for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

Fort Sumter. For Fort Sumter, Charleston harbor, South Carolina, for the said fiscal year, forty-five thousand dollars.

Fort Johnson. For preservation of site of Fort Johnson, South Carolina, for the said calendar year, six thousand five hundred dollars.

Fort Pulaski. For Fort Pulaski, Georgia, for the said half calendar year, thirty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

Fort Pickens. For Fort Pickens, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calendar year, seven thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

Fort McRee. For Fort McRee, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calendar year, four thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four thousand dollars.

Ft. Barrancas. For Fort Barrancas, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calen-
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For repairs of Fort Morgan, Mobile point, Alabama, for the said fiscal year, thirty-three thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort Dupre, Louisiana, for the said fiscal year, ten thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort Jackson, Mississippi river, Louisiana, for the said fiscal year, ten thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort St. Philip, Mississippi river, Louisiana, for the said fiscal year, five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, five thousand dollars.

For Fort Livingston, Grand Terre island, Barrataria bay, Louisiana, for the said fiscal year, twenty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

For repairing and rebuilding barracks at Fort Gibson at its present site, or in the vicinity thereof, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the completion of the works at Fort Smith, Arkansas, for the said fiscal year, twenty thousand dollars.

For completion of barracks, quarters, and storehouses, at Fort Atkinson, Turkey river, for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, appropriated by the act of Congress, approved ninth of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, for defensive works, barracks, and other necessary buildings, and purchase of a site for depot at or near the junction of the Mattawamkeag and Penobscot rivers, Maine, may be applied to the purchase of a site and commencement of defensive works at or near the Narrows of the Penobscot, Maine.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Chap. LXXI. — An Act declaring Robbinston in the State of Maine, to be a port of delivery.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the town of Robbinston, in the State of Maine, shall be a port of delivery, to be annexed to the district of Passamaquoddy, and shall be subject to the same regulations as other ports of delivery in the United States.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Chap. LXXII. — An Act to permit the entry of merchandise recovered from shipwreck, in certain cases, free from duty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any ship or vessel laden with merchandise, in whole or in part, subject to duty, shall be, or shall have been, sunk in any river, harbor, bay, or waters, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, and within its limits, and shall have remained so sunk for the period of two years, and shall be abandoned by the owners thereof, any person or persons who may raise such ship or vessel, shall be permitted to bring any merchandise recovered therefrom, into the port nearest to the place where said ship or vessel was so raised, free from the payment of any duty thereupon, and without being obliged to enter the same at the custom-house, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

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CHAP. LXXXIII.—An Act to reduce the salary of the surveyor of the port of Camden, New Jersey.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the salary of the surveyor of the port of Camden, in the State of New Jersey, shall be fixed at two hundred and fifty dollars per annum, besides the lawful fees allowed to surveyors.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXXIV.—An Act to change the times of holding the circuit and district courts for the district of East Tennessee. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the circuit and district courts of the United States for the district of East Tennessee, shall hereafter be held on the third Mondays of April and October in each and every year, instead of the times now prescribed by law, under the same rules, in the same manner, and under the same regulations now prescribed for the holding of said courts.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That in case of the non-attendance of any of the district judges at either of the courts in either of the districts in the State of Tennessee, required or authorized to be held by him, the circuit judge whose circuit includes said districts may hold the same, and in addition to the jurisdiction now conferred on him, shall have and exercise the same jurisdiction and powers now conferred on said district judge.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXXV.—An Act to fix the compensation of the Commissioner of Public Buildings.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the compensation of the Commissioner of Public Buildings shall be two thousand dollars per annum, and no more.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That no portion of the appropriation for public buildings and grounds, or any improvement or alteration of the same, shall be applied to the payment of a clerk or clerks in the office of said commissioner, or of an architect, unless the same be expressly provided for in the act.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be, and the same hereby are, repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXXVI.—An Act making appropriations for the payment of navy pensions due on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

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 (a) Circuit courts in Tennessee, vol. 2, 420, 477, 516, 693.
the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of the navy pensions, which will become due on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

To pay the invalids now on the rolls, (and those who may be added during the first half year of one thousand eight hundred and forty-three,) on the said first day of July, twenty thousand dollars; and on the [said] first day of January, twenty thousand dollars.

To pay widows' pensions under the act of June thirty, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, (including not only those who are now on the rolls, but those who may be added for the first half year of one thousand eight hundred and forty-three,) on the said first day of July, three thousand dollars; and on the said first day of January, three thousand dollars.

To pay the claims of widows and orphans, under the act of March third, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, on the said first day of July, eight thousand dollars; and on the said first day of January, eight thousand dollars.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXVII.—An Act to set aside certain reservations of lands, on account of live oak in the southeastern district of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the reservations made by the United States in eighteen hundred and thirty-two, of lands situate in township thirteen, range twelve east; township fourteen, ranges twelve and thirteen east; township fifteen, range thirteen east; township sixteen, range sixteen east; and township seventeen, range sixteen east, in the southeastern district of Louisiana, on account of the live oak supposed to grow thereon, be set aside and annulled; and that any persons entitled to pre-emption under the existing laws, within the limits of the said townships, be admitted to make their proofs and complete their titles, in the same manner as if the reservations for live oak had not been made.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXVIII.—An act authorizing the sale of lands, with the improvements thereon erected by the United States, for the use of their agents, teachers, farmers, mechanics, and other persons employed amongst the Indians.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be sold all such dwelling-houses, churches, school-houses, workshops, and other buildings belonging to the United States, as have been, or hereafter shall be, erected for the use of their agents, teachers, farmers, mechanics, and other persons employed amongst the Indians, when the lands on which the same are erected shall have become the property of the United States, and are no longer necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be sold, at his discretion, with each of such buildings mentioned in the preceding section of this act, a quantity of land not exceeding one section; and on the payment of the consideration agreed for, into the treasury of the United States by the purchaser, the said Secretary shall make, execute, and deliver, to the said purchaser, a title in fee simple for such lands and tenements.

Approved, March 3, 1843.
CHAP. LXXIX.—An Act to repeal an act entitled "An act to extend the collection district of Wiscasset."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to extend the collection district of Wiscasset," passed August thirty-first, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXX.—An Act making appropriations for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes, and for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, for the half calendar year beginning the first day of January and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, for the purpose of fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes, and of paying the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated:

For the fulfilment of the treaties with various Indian tribes, for the said half calendar year, seven hundred and twenty-three thousand seven hundred and eight dollars; and for the said fiscal year seven hundred and forty-nine thousand and sixty-five dollars.

For the payment of three drafts, drawn on the department by Governor Doty, for goods, provisions, and presents, procured and delivered by him to the Sioux Indians, while holding the treaty with them in one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and which treaty was rejected by the Senate, at its late session, for said half calendar year, thirteen thousand seven hundred and seventy-six dollars and forty-nine cents.

For the removal to the west of the Mississippi, of two hundred and fifty of the New York Indians of the Seneca, Cayuga, and Onondaga tribes, and for fulfilling other treaty stipulations with them: Provided, That so many are willing to emigrate, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand four hundred and seventy-seven dollars and fifty cents.

For current expenses of the Indian Department, for the said half calendar year, fifty-three thousand five hundred dollars, and including four hundred and fifty dollars paid by order of General Z. Taylor, for two white boys ransomed from the Camanche Indians; and for the said fiscal year, ninety-three thousand three hundred dollars.

For subsistence of the Choctaw claimants and their Indian witnesses during their attendance at the sittings of the commissioners appointed under the "Act to provide for the satisfaction of claims arising under the fourteenth and nineteenth articles of the treaty of Dancing Rabbit creek, concluded in September, one thousand eight hundred and thirty, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the removal of the Choctaws to the west of the Mississippi, sixty-seven thousand four hundred and ninety dollars.

For carrying into effect the treaty with the Chippewa Indians, concluded October fourth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, fifty-one thousand dollars.
For carrying into effect the treaty with the Sac and Fox Indians, concluded October eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, two hundred and ninety-nine thousand five hundred and sixty-six dollars and thirty-four cents.

For defraying the expenses of a negotiation with the Kanzas Indians, or other tribes on the waters of the Missouri river, for the purpose of obtaining a tract of land for the permanent and perpetual residence of the Sacs and Foxes, as stipulated in the second article of the treaty ratified February fifteenth eighteen hundred and forty-three, fifteen hundred dollars. And the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to pay out of the fund appropriated for "blacksmith's establishments," &c., by the act of the third March, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, the accounts due for blacksmith's work performed in pursuance of the treaty with the Six Nations, the sum of three thousand eight hundred and seventy-three dollars and seven cents.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, to satisfy contracts entered into in the month of August, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, by Major General Thomas S. Jesup, then commanding the army in Alabama, with the Creek tribe of Indians, the sum of twelve thousand dollars be, and the same hereby is appropriated, to be paid under the instructions of the Secretary of War to the Creek chiefs, Hopoethle Yoholo, Little Doctor, Mad Blue, Tuckeatchee Micco, Jim Boy, and Salka Hadjo, for the benefit of the said chiefs, and that portion of their subchiefs and warriors who served in Florida.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That for the purpose of settling and closing the accounts of disbursing agents in the Indian department, which were unsettled on the first day of January last, the President of the United States is hereby authorized to direct transfers to be made from such balances of moneys heretofore appropriated to carry into effect certain Indian treaties, or for any other object of expenditure connected with Indian relations, as may be no longer required for the several objects for which they were originally made, to the credit of any other head of Indian expenditure, under which balances accruing previous to the above date, remain due: Provided, That no such transfer shall be made unless it satisfactorily appear that the balances from which such transfers are authorized to be made are not necessary for the specific purpose of their original appropriation.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That for the purpose of settling and closing the accounts in the office of the Second Comptroller, for the expenditure of sums appropriated by an act approved June twelfth, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An act making appropriations for preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, and for arrearages for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-seven," and also by an act approved March third, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, entitled "An act making appropriations for preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-nine," the President of the United States is hereby authorized to direct transfers to be made from any balances remaining under any of the specific heads of appropriation in said acts, which are not necessary for the purposes of their original appropriation, to any other head of appropriation contained in said acts, under which a deficiency may exist.

Approved, March 3, 1843.
CHAP. LXXXI.—An Act authorizing the reissue of treasury notes and for other purposes. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when any outstanding treasury notes, issued in pursuance of the act of thirty-first August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, entitled "An act to limit the sale of public stock to par, and to authorize the issue of treasury notes, in lieu thereof, to a certain amount," or any previous act of Congress, shall, after the passage of this act, be redeemed at any time before the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, the Secretary of the Treasury, should the wants of the public service require, may cause other notes, to the same amount, to be issued in place of such as may be redeemed, under the limitations and other provisions of the respective acts by which said notes were originally authorized and issued.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, after maturity of the treasury notes issued under the said act of thirty-first August, or of this act, interest may be paid thereon, in the same manner as on treasury notes authorized previous to the fifteenth April last, under the ninth section of the act approved on that day, entitled "An act for the extension of the loan of one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and for an addition of five millions of dollars thereto, and for allowing interest on treasury notes due."

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That, in lieu of issuing the treasury notes in the manner authorized by the first section of this act, the President, if in his opinion it shall be for the interest of the United States so to do, may cause any of said notes now outstanding, to be redeemed and cancelled as they become due, if the Secretary of the Treasury cannot redeem them out of the funds in the treasury, by an issue of stock of the United States, for the amount thus redeemed, in the same form, for the same time, and under the same restrictions, limitations, and provisions, as are contained in an act approved April fifteen, eighteen hundred and forty-two, entitled "An act for the extension of the loan of eighteen hundred and forty-one, and for an addition of five million of dollars thereto, and for allowing interest on treasury notes due," except that no commissions shall be allowed or paid for the negotiation of such business; and except also that said stock so to be issued, shall be redeemable at a period not longer than ten years from the issue thereof.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXXII.—An Act to repeal the bankrupt act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved on the nineteenth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and forty-one, be, and the same hereby is, repealed: Provided, That this act shall not affect any case or proceeding in bankruptcy commenced before the passage of this act, or any pains, penalties, or forfeitures, incurred under the said act; but every such proceeding may be continued to its final consummation in like manner as if this act had not been passed.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

(a) Notes of the acts which have been passed authorizing the issuing of treasury notes, vol. 2, 766.
Chap. LXXXIII.—An Act making appropriations for the naval service for the half calendar year beginning the first day of January and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

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 are hereby, appropriated, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, for the naval service for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

For pay of commission, warrant, and petty officers and seamen, including the engineer corps of the navy, for the said half calendar year, one million four hundred and ninety-six thousand five hundred and eighty-four dollars and fifty cents; and for the said fiscal year, two million seven hundred and fifteen thousand eight hundred and eight dollars.

For pay of superintendents, naval constructors, and all the civil establishments of the several yards, for the said half calendar year, thirty-six thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, seventy-three thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars.

For provisions for the navy, including transportation, cooperage, and other expenses, for the said half calendar year, three hundred and sixty-two thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine dollars and fifty cents; and for the said fiscal year, six hundred and twenty-three thousand six hundred and fifty-three dollars.

For clothing for the navy, including transportation and every other expense, to be reimbursed out of the sales of the clothing for the said half calendar year, three hundred and eighty thousand dollars.

For surgeons' necessaries, and appliances for the sick and hurt of the naval service, including the marine corps, for the said half calendar year, fifty-one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, and for the said fiscal year, forty-two thousand eight hundred and forty dollars, and for arrearages of preceding years, under this head, fifty thousand dollars.

For the increase, repair, armament, and equipment of the navy, and wear and tear of vessels in commission, for the said half calendar year, five hundred thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one million dollars.

For the support of Africans recaptured on the coast of Africa or elsewhere, and returned to Africa by the armed vessels of the United States, five thousand dollars.

For improvements and necessary repairs of the navy-yards, namely:

For Portsmouth, New Hampshire, for the said half calendar year, fifteen thousand five hundred and ten dollars and forty cents; and for the said fiscal year, twenty-four thousand nine hundred dollars and seventy-six cents;

For Charlestown, Massachusetts, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand nine hundred and ninety-two dollars and seventy-cents; and for the said fiscal year, thirty-four thousand three hundred and seventy-nine dollars;

For Brooklyn, New York, for the said half calendar year, sixteen thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand four hundred dollars: And the Secretary of the Navy is hereby directed to cause an examination to be made of the expediency, practicability and probable expense of constructing a dry-dock in the harbor of New York upon the plan of using as an elevating power, the water of the
Dry-dock at New York.

Croton aqueduct, and of sufficient capacity to rebuild or repair a seventy-four gun-ship, and to cause an examination of any other plan or plans of a dry-dock or floating-dock in said harbor, deemed worthy by the Secretary to be reported upon, and to report the result of such examination, with his opinion thereon, to the next session of Congress. And all further expenditures under the appropriations heretofore made for the dry-dock in said harbor shall be suspended until the first day of January next; and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars shall be, and the same hereby is, appropriated for the construction of a floating dry-dock at Pensacola, of capacity sufficient for the repair of frigates of the smaller class, and upon such plan as the Secretary of the Navy shall approve.

Dry dock at Pensacola.

Navy-yards at Philadelphia.

For Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for the said half calendar year, one thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand and seventy dollars;

Washington.

For Washington, District of Columbia, for the said half calendar year, five thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four thousand eight hundred and fourteen dollars;

Gosport.

For Gosport, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, five thousand two hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, nine thousand three hundred and ten dollars;

Pensacola.

For Pensacola, Florida, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four thousand and forty-seven dollars;

Hospital at

For necessary repairs of hospital buildings and their dependencies, namely:

Charlestown.

For Charlestown, Massachusetts, for the said half calendar year, one thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one thousand three hundred dollars;

Brooklyn.

For Brooklyn, New York, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand eight hundred and thirty-two dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars;

Norfolk.

For Norfolk, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, two thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand dollars;

Pensacola.

For Pensacola, Florida, for the said half calendar year, one thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand four hundred and forty-eight dollars and twenty-five cents;

Philadelphia.

For Philadelphia naval asylum, for the said half calendar year, nine hundred and forty-five dollars; and for the said fiscal year, three hundred and sixty-six dollars;

Magazines at

For necessary repairs of magazines, namely:

Charlestown.

For Charlestown, Massachusetts, for the said half calendar year, five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one thousand dollars;

Brooklyn.

For Brooklyn, New York, for the said half calendar year, three hundred and fifty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, three hundred and fifty dollars;

Washington.

For Washington, District of Columbia, for the said half calendar year, two hundred and fifty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two hundred and fifty dollars;

Norfolk.

For Norfolk, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, three hundred and fifty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, three hundred and fifty dollars;

Ordnance, &c.

For ordnance and ordnance stores for the navy and armed vessels on the northern lakes, for the said half calendar year, forty-eight thousand four hundred and twenty-two dollars and ninety-seven cents; and for the said fiscal year, ninety-six thousand eight hundred and forty-seven dollars and ninety-three cents;

Miscellaneous

For defraying the expenses that may accrue for the following purposes, viz.: For freight and transportation of materials and stores of
every description; for wharfage and dockage; storage and rent; traveling expenses of officers and transportation of seamen; house rent to pursers, when duly authorized; for funeral expenses; for commissions, clerk hire, office rent, stationery, and fuel, to navy agents; for premiums and incidental expenses of recruiting; for apprehending deserters; for compensation to judge advocates; for per diem allowance to persons attending courts martial and courts of inquiry, or other services authorized by law; for printing and stationery of every description, and for working the lithographic press; for books, maps, charts, mathematical and nautical instruments, chronometers, models, and drawings; for the purchase and repair of fire engines and machinery connected therewith, and for other machinery for the repair of steam engines in navy-yards; for the purchase and maintenance of oxen and horses, and for carts, timber wheels, and workmen's tools of every description; for postage of letters on public service; for pilotage and towing ships of war; for assistance rendered to vessels in distress; for incidental labor at navy-yards, not applicable to any other appropriation; for coal and other fuel, and for candles and oil for the use of navy-yards and shore stations, and for no other object or purpose whatever, for the said half calendar year, three hundred and thirty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For contingent expenses for objects not enumerated for the said half calendar year, one thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, three thousand dollars.

For printing and publishing the code of rules and regulations for the government of the navy, prepared by the Secretary of the Navy and Attorney General, in obedience to a resolution of the last session, in case the same should be ratified by Congress, one thousand dollars.

For defraying the expenses of the agencies for the inspection of hemp, authorized by a joint resolution of Congress, approved eighteenth February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, four thousand dollars: Provided, That all provisions and clothing, hemp, and other materials of every name and nature, for the use of the navy, and the transportation thereof, when time will permit, shall hereafter be furnished by contract by the lowest bidder as follows: the Secretary of the Navy shall advertise, once a week, for at least four weeks, in one or more of the principal papers published in the place where such articles are to be furnished for sealed proposals for furnishing such articles, or the whole of any particular class of articles, specifying in such advertisement the amount, quantity, and description of each kind of articles to be furnished, and all such proposals shall be kept sealed until the day specified in such advertisement for opening the same, when they shall be opened by or under the direction of the officer making such advertisement, in the presence of at least two persons; and the person offering to furnish any class of such articles, and giving satisfactory security for the performance thereof, under a forfeiture not exceeding twice the contract price in case of failure, shall receive a contract for furnishing the same; and in case the lowest bidder shall fail to enter into such contract and give such security within a reasonable time, to be fixed in such advertisement, then the contract shall be given to the next lowest bidder, who shall enter into such contract and give such security; and that all such bids or proposals shall be preserved and recorded, and reported to Congress at the commencement of every regular session; and the same shall contain a true and faithful abstract of all offers made, embracing as well those which are rejected as those which are accepted; the said abstract shall embrace the names of the party or parties offering, the terms proposed, the sums demanded, and the length of time the agreement is to continue. And in case of a failure, to supply the articles or to perform the work, by the person entering into such con-
TRACT, he and his sureties shall be liable for the forfeiture specified in such contract, as liquidated damages, to be sued for in the name of the United States, in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

**Marine Corps.—**For pay of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, privates, and servants serving on shore, and subsistence of officers of the marine corps, for the said half calendar year, ninety-nine thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two hundred and one thousand four hundred and seventy-two dollars and fifteen cents.

For provisions for non-commissioned officers, musicians, privates, servants, and washerwomen, serving on shore, for the said half calendar year, nineteen thousand one hundred and twenty-eight dollars and eight cents; and for the said fiscal year, thirty-eight thousand six hundred and seventy-eight dollars and eighty cents.

For clothing for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand three hundred and forty-nine dollars; and for the said fiscal year, forty thousand six hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

For fuel for the said half calendar year, eight thousand one hundred and thirty-seven dollars and six cents; and for the said fiscal year, sixteen thousand two hundred and seventy-four dollars and twelve cents.

To keep barracks in repair, for rent of temporary barracks, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

For transportation of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, and expenses of recruiting, for the said half calendar year, four thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, eight thousand dollars.

For military stores, pay of armorers, keeping arms in repair, accouterments, ordnance stores, flags, drums, fifes, and other instruments for the band, for the said half calendar year, one thousand four hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said corps, viz: For freight, ferriage, toll, wharfage, and cartage; for per diem allowance for attending courts martial and courts of inquiry; compensation to judge advocates; house rent where there are no public quarters assigned; for per diem allowance to enlisted men on constant labor; expenses of burying deceased marines; printing, stationery, forage, postage on public letters, expenses in pursuit of deserters, candles, oil, straw, barrack furniture, bed sacks, spades, axes, shovels, picks, carpenters' tools, and for keeping a horse for the messenger, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars; and for the said fiscal year, seventeen thousand nine hundred and eighty dollars.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

**STATUTE III.**

March 3, 1843.

[Obsolet.]

**Appropriation for constructing electro-magnetic telegraph.**

**CHAP. LXXXIV.—An Act to test the practicability of establishing a system of electro-magnetic telegraphs by the United States.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for testing the capacity and usefulness of the system of electro-magnetic telegraphs invented by Samuel F. B. Morse, of New York, for the use of the Government of the United States, by constructing a line of said electro-magnetic telegraphs, under the superintendence of Professor Samuel F. B. Morse, of such length, and between such points, as shall fully test its practicability and utility, and that the same shall be expended, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, upon the application of said Morse.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to pay, out of the aforesaid thirty
thousand dollars, to the said Samuel F. B. Morse, and the persons employed under him, such sums of money as he may deem to be a fair compensation for the services of the said Samuel F. B. Morse, and the persons employed under him, in constructing and in superintending the construction of the said line of telegraphs authorized by this act.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXXV.—An Act for the protection of commerce on Lake Michigan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums of money be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the protection of commerce on Lake Michigan.

For the half calendar year from the first of January to thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year from the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-three, to the thirtieth June eighteen hundred and forty-four, viz:

For the construction of a harbor at the most suitable situation at or near Milwaukie in the Territory of Wisconsin, to be made under the survey of an officer to be appointed by the Secretary of War, for the said half calendar year, fifteen thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

It shall be the duty of the corps of topographical engineers to survey and select the most suitable site for a light-house at or near Southport on Lake Michigan, in said Territory.

For continuing the public works at the harbor of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, for the said half calendar year, ten thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

For continuing the public works at the harbor of St. Joseph in the State of Michigan; for the said half calendar year, ten thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That before the money hereby appropriated for the construction of a harbor at or near said Milwaukie shall be expended, the corps of topographical engineers shall select from actual examination and survey the point of location of said harbors.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXXVI.—An Act to authorize the investigation of alleged frauds under the pre-emption laws, and for other purposes. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office be, and he hereby is, authorized to appoint a competent agent, whose duty it shall be, under direction of said Commissioner, to investigate, upon oath, the cases of fraud under the pre-emption laws, alleged to exist in the Columbus land district, in the State of Mississippi, referred to in the late annual report of said Commissioner, communicated to Congress by letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, dated December the fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two; and that such agent shall examine all witnesses who may be brought before him by the individual or individuals alleging the fraud, as well as those witnesses who may be produced by the parties in interest, to sustain said claims; and that he be, and is hereby, invested with power to administer to such witnesses an oath to speak the truth in regard to any question which may be deemed necessary to the full

(a) See notes of the acts which have been passed relating to pre-emption rights; act of May 29, 1830, ch. 328.
examination of the cases so alleged to be fraudulent; and such testimony shall be reduced to writing, and subscribed by each witness, and the same returned to the Commissioner, with the opinion of said agent on each claim; and any witness, so examined before the said agent, who shall swear willfully and falsely in regard to any matter or thing touching such examination, shall be subject, on conviction, to all the pains and penalties of perjury; and it shall be the duty of the Commissioner, to decide the cases thus returned, and finally to settle the matter in controversy, subject alone to an appeal to the Secretary of the Treasury: Provided, That the power conferred by this section upon such agent is hereby limited to the term of one year from and after the date of this act; and the compensation to be paid to said agent shall not exceed three dollars per day for each day he may be necessarily engaged in the performance of the duties required by this section.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in any case, where a party entitled to claim the benefits of any of the pre-emption laws shall have died before consummating his claim, by filing, in due time, all the papers essential to the establishment of the same, it shall be competent for the executor or administrator of the estate of such party, or one of the heirs, to file the necessary papers to complete the same: Provided, That the entry in such cases shall be made in favor of "the heirs" of the deceased pre-emptor, and a patent thereon shall cause the title to inure to said heirs, as if their names had been specially mentioned.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That every settler on section sixteen, reserved for the use of schools, or on other reserves or land covered by private claims of others, which was not surveyed at the time of such settlement, and who shall otherwise come within the provisions of the several pre-emption laws in force at the time of the settlement, upon proof thereof before the register of the proper land office, shall be entitled to enter, at the minimum price, any other quarter section, or fractional section, or fractional quarter section, in the land district in which such school section or reserve or private claim may lie, so as not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres, not reserved from sale, or in the occupancy of any actual bona fide settler: Provided, Such settlement was made before the date of the act of fourth September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and after the extinguishment of the Indian title.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That where an individual has filed, under the late pre-emption law, his declaration of intention to claim the benefits of said law for one tract of land, it shall not be lawful for the same individual at any future time, to file a second declaration for another tract.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That claimants under the late pre-emption law, for land not yet proclaimed for sale, are required to make known their claims, in writing, to the register of the proper land office, within three months from the date of this act when the settlement has been already made, and within three months from the time of the settlement when such settlement shall hereafter be made, giving the designation of the tract, and the time of settlement; otherwise his claim to be forfeited, and the tract awarded to the next settler, in the order of time, on the same tract of land, who shall have given such notice, and otherwise complied with the conditions of the law.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That whenever the vacancy of the office either of register or receiver, or of both, shall render it impossible for the claimant to comply with any requisition of any of the pre-emption laws within the appointed time, such vacancy shall not operate to the detriment of the party claiming, in respect to any matter essential to the establishment of his claim: Provided, That such requisition is complied with within the same period after the disability is removed as would have been allowed him had such disability not existed.
Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That where a settler on the public lands may reside on a quarter section, a fractional quarter section, or a fraction of a section less than one hundred and sixty acres, and cultivated land on any other and different tract of either of the descriptions aforesaid, he or she shall be entitled, under the act of June twenty-two, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to the same privileges of a choice between two legal subdivisions of each, so as to include his or her house and farm, not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres in all, as is granted, by the first section of that act, to settlers residing on a quarter section, and cultivating on another and different quarter.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That where two or more persons are residing on any of the species of tracts specified in section seven of this act, as required by the acts of the twenty-second of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty, and any one or more of said settlers may have cultivated land during the period of residence required by either of said acts, on another and different tract, or other and different tracts, the latter mentioned settlers shall be entitled to the option of entering the tract lived on, jointly with the other or others, or of abandoning the tract lived on to those who have not cultivated land as above required, and entering the tract or tracts cultivated, so as not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres to any one settler, who, by virtue of this section, is entitled to a separate entry; or such joint settlers may jointly enter the tract so jointly occupied by them, and in addition enter other contiguous unoccupied lands, by legal subdivisions, so as not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres in all to each of such joint settlers: Provided, That the extended privileges granted to pre-emptors by this act, shall not be construed to deprive any other actual settler of his or her previous and paramount right of pre-emption, or to extend to lands reserved for any purpose whatever.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That all persons coming within the tenth section of the act of the fourth of September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, entitled “An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights,” shall be entitled to the right of pre-emption under its provisions, notwithstanding such persons claiming the pre-emption shall have settled upon and improved the lands claimed before the same were surveyed: Provided, Such settlements were made before the date of the aforesaid act, and after the extinguishment of the Indian title. And said act shall not be so construed as to preclude any person who may have filed a notice of intention to claim any tract of land by pre-emption under said act, from the right allowed by law to others to purchase the same by private entry after the expiration of the right of pre-emption.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Chap. LXXXVII. — An Act to provide, in certain cases, for the sale of the real estate of infants within the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when the guardian of any infant shall think that the interest of his or her ward will be promoted by the sale of his or her real estate, or any part thereof, it shall be lawful for such guardian to exhibit his bill for that purpose, in the circuit court of the District of Columbia, for that county in which the real estate proposed to be sold, or part thereof, shall lie. In the bill so exhibited, the guardian shall set forth, plainly and distinctly, all the estate, real and personal, to which such infant is entitled, and all the facts which, in his opinion, are calculated to show whether the interest of his ward will be promoted by such sale or not. The bill shall be

Settlers residing on one quarter section, and cultivating another, entitled to a choice. 1839, ch. 119.

In case of two or more persons residing on one quarter section, and one or more of them cultivating other tracts.

Proviso.

Persons coming within sec. 10, act 4th September, 1841, ch. 16, entitled to pre-emption.

Proviso.

Statutes III.

March 3, 1813.

When a guardian thinks it to the ward's interest to sell, he may exhibit a bill for that purpose.

What to set forth.
verified by the oath of the guardian; and the infant, together with those who would be heirs to the estate if he or she were dead, shall be made parties defendant thereto. It shall be the duty of the court to appoint some fit and disinterested person to be guardian ad litem, for the infant, who shall answer such bill on oath; the infant, also, if above the age of fourteen years, shall answer the bill in proper person, on oath.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted.* That whether the answer to the plaintiff's bill admit the facts alleged or not, commissions for taking depositions shall be awarded; and before the court shall have authority, under this act, to decree any sale, every fact material to ascertain the propriety of the sale shall be proved by clear and credible evidence, given by disinterested witnesses; depositions to be taken in the presence of the guardian ad litem, or upon interrogatories agreed upon by him.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted.* That if, upon hearing of the cause, it shall be proved, to the satisfaction of the court, by evidence taken as aforesaid, that the interest of the infant manifestly requires the sale of his real estate, or any part thereof, and the court shall be of opinion that, by such sale, the rights of others will not be violated, it shall be lawful to decree such sale, in such manner and upon such terms of credit as the court think right, always retaining a lien upon such estate for the payment of the purchase money.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted.* That the proceeds of such sale shall be vested and applied for the benefit of the infant, either in the purchase of other real estate, or in such other manner as the court shall think best; but, in whatever hands the proceeds of the sale may be placed, the court shall require ample security that they shall be faithfully applied in such manner as the court may direct.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted.* That if the infant, after such sale, shall die intestate, under the age of twenty-one years, the proceeds aforesaid, or so much thereof as may remain at his death, shall be considered as real estate, and shall pass accordingly to such person or persons as would have been entitled to the estate sold, if it had not been sold.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted.* That if a sale be decreed, the costs of the suit shall be paid out of the estate of the infant, otherwise the costs shall be paid by the plaintiff: *Provided,* That in no case where a sale shall be decreed shall the guardian of the said infant or infants, or the guardian ad litem, be admitted a purchaser, either by himself or by another, or in any manner whatever become the owner of the said land, during the infancy of the heir or devisee: *And provided,* also, That no sale of any infant's real estate shall be decreed, by virtue of this act, if the testator from whom such estate is derived, shall, by his last will and testament, have expressly directed otherwise.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted.* That this act shall be in force from and after the passage thereof.

*Approved,* March 3, 1843.

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**Statute III.**

March 3, 1843.

1844, ch. 54.

Boundary line to be surveyed and suitably demarcated.

**Chap. LXXXVIII.—An Act directing the survey of the northern line of the reservation for the half-breeds of the Sochs [Sacs] and Fox tribes of Indians by the treaty of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chief Engineer cause to be surveyed and suitably demarked the northern boundary line of the reservation for the use of the half-breeds of the Soch [Sacs] and Fox tribes of Indians, by the treaty of the fourth of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, beginning at the point, which at the date of said treaty was known and recognised as the northwest corner of the State of Missouri, and running thence due east to the river Mis-
sissippi, the section of said line lying between that stream and the river Des Moines being the northern boundary line of said reservation.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

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CHAP. LXXXIX.—An Act to provide for carrying into effect the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded at Washington on the ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commissioner to be appointed on the part of the United States for the purpose of running, tracing, and marking certain parts of the boundary line between the United States and the British possessions in North America, according to the sixth article of the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded on the ninth of August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, shall be allowed and paid a salary at the rate of three thousand dollars per annum; and the said commissioner may employ a clerk, who shall be allowed and paid a salary at the rate of one thousand five hundred dollars per annum: Provided, That the salaries of said officers shall not commence until they shall have been severally ordered into service.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the President of the United States to cause any one or more of the officers of the corps of topographical engineers, as the public service may require, to be employed to aid and assist the said commissioner in running, tracing, and marking the said line.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That for the payment of the said salaries, and for other expenses of said commission, including the purchase or repair of instruments, wages to persons employed, and other contingencies, there be appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the sum of three hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be paid in equal moieties to the States of Maine and Massachusetts, in conformity with the provision of the fifth article of the said treaty.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the proper officers of the treasury to audit and pay the accounts of the States of Maine and Massachusetts for all claims for expenses incurred by them in protecting the heretofore disputed territory on the northeastern frontier of the United States, and making a survey thereof, as provided by the fifth article of said treaty; and the sum of, not exceeding ten thousand seven hundred and ninety-two dollars and ninety-five cents for Massachusetts, and two hundred and six thousand nine hundred and thirty-four dollars and seventy-nine cents for Maine, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in satisfaction of the said accounts.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the President of the United States, in execution of the provisions of the eighth article of said treaty, to apply so much of the naval appropriations as may be necessary therefor, to the preparation, equipment, and maintenance of the naval force therein stipulated to be employed on the coast of Africa by the United States.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of forty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated and placed at the disposal of the President of the United States, to enable him to establish the future commercial relations between the United States and the Chinese empire on terms of national equal reciprocity; the said sum to be accounted for by the President, in the manner prescribed by the act of first of July, one thousand seven hundred and ninety, entitled "An act providing the means of intercourse between the United States and foreign nations;" Provided, That the annual compensation to any one person employed under this act shall not exceed the sum of nine thousand dollars exclusive of outfit: And provided further, That no agent shall be sent by virtue of this act unless he shall have been appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

An act providing for the sale of certain lands in the States of Ohio and Michigan, ceded by the Wyandot tribe of Indians, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all that tract of land in the State of Ohio, to which the Indian title was extinguished by a treaty with the Wyandot tribe of Indians, concluded at Upper Sandusky, March seventeenth, eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall be attached to, and made a part of, the consolidated land district in which it is situated; and that the land office for the said district shall be removed from Lima to the town of Upper Sandusky, within the tract aforesaid, as soon as, in the judgment of the President of the United States, such removal shall be proper.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That a portion of the tract aforesaid, including the town of Upper Sandusky, shall, under the direction of the surveyor general, be laid off into town lots, streets, and avenues, and into out lots, in such manner and of such dimensions as he may judge proper: Provided, That the land so laid off shall not exceed in quantity six hundred and forty acres, nor the town lots a quarter of an acre each, nor the out lots exceed the quantity of two acres each; and the residue of the lands in the tract shall be surveyed as other public lands, in connection with the adjacent previous surveys.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That all the public land in said tract, with the exception of the section numbered sixteen, in each township, which shall remain for the support of common schools, and of the lots reserved by the provisions of the aforesaid treaty, which shall remain for the purposes therein expressed, shall, so soon as the surveys and plats of the same be returned to the general and district land offices, be offered at public sale, at Upper Sandusky, under the superintendance of the register of the land office and the receiver of public moneys for the district, at such time as shall be designated by proclamation of the President of the United States; the sales to remain open for two weeks, and no longer, and the lands not to be sold at public sale nor be subject to private entry thereafter for a price less than two dollars and fifty cents per acre.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the town lots and out lots directed by this act to be laid off shall, with the exception of four town lots, to be selected by the superintendents of the sale, for the use of and to be vested in the town when it shall become corporate, and also of the
lots reserved by the seventeenth article of the aforesaid treaty, to remain for the uses therein provided for, be offered at public sale at the time the other lands in the tract are offered, and are to be subject to entry at private sale thereafter: Provided, however, That no town lot shall be sold for less than twenty dollars, nor any out lot for less than at the rate of fifteen dollars per acre.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That, in executing the surveys of the lands in the tract aforesaid, the surveyor general shall cause the improved lands to be designated on the general plat, and the position, extent, and quality of each improvement to be carefully noted; and the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall cause the superintendents of the sales to be furnished with a copy of the schedule of the appraised value of improvements ascertained, pursuant to the fifth article of the said treaty; and in any case, where the lines for subdivision of sections shall divide and injuriously affect the value of an improvement, the superintendents of the sale shall be authorized, under instruction of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to offer, at public and private sale, an entire quarter section, or half-quarter section, and to attach together halves of two adjacent quarter sections, so as to preserve, as far as practicable, the improvements on a tract entire; and if, in offering at public sale any tract on which improvements exist, the real value of the same, according to the estimate of the superintendents, shall not be bidden, it shall be their duty to withdraw the tract from sale, and the tracts thus withdrawn from sale shall again be offered at public sale, due public notice first being given, when directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That all the lands in the Wyandot reserve, on both sides of the river Huron, in the State of Michigan, ceded to the United States by the aforesaid treaty, shall be attached to and made a part of the district of lands subject to sale at Detroit; and shall be offered for sale at the land office, in the same manner, both as to public and private sale, as is directed for the sale of the lands of the reserve in the State of Ohio by this act: Provided, That the land shall not be sold for less than two dollars per acre.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Chap. XCII. — An Act to fix the value of certain foreign moneys of account, in computations at the custom-houses. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all computations of the value of foreign moneys of account at the custom-houses of the United States, the thaler of Prussia shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of sixty-eight and one half cents; the mil-reis of Portugal shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of one hundred and twelve cents; the rix-dollar of Bremen shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of seventy-eight and three-quarter cents; the thaler of Bremen, of seventy-two grosses, shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of seventy-one cents; that the mil-reis of Madeira shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of one hundred cents; the mil-reis of the Azores shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of eighty-three and one third cents; the marc-banco of Hamburg shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of thirty-five cents; the rouble of Russia shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of seventy-five cents; the rupee of British India shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of forty-four and one half cents; and all former laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Statute III.

March 3, 1843.

1846, ch. 14.
1845, ch. 45.
Value of certain foreign money at the custom-houses.

(a) Notes on the acts of Congress regulating the currency of foreign coins, vol. 2, 374.

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Statute III.

March 3, 1843.

Chap. XCIII.—An Act authorizing an examination and survey of the harbor of Memphis, in Tennessee. (a)

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 to cause to be made an examination and survey of the harbor of Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, in reference to the expediency of establishing a naval depot and yard for the building and repairing steam ships and other vessels of war at that place, and that he report to Congress the result of such examination and survey; and that the sum of three thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury unappropriated, to defray the expenses of such examination and survey.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Statute III.

March 3, 1843.

Act of July 7, 1838, ch. 191, 1852, ch. 106.

Vessels propelled by steam to be provided with additional steering apparatus.

Vessels provided with the apparatus required by the first section, may use hemp tiller ropes, &c.

Proviso.

Further proviso.

Freight vessels propelled by sails and Erickson's propeller,

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful in all vessels or boats propelled in whole or in part by steam, which are propelled with additional apparatus or means to steer the same, as required by the first section of this act, to use wheel or tiller ropes, composed of hemp or other good and sufficient material, around the barrel or axle of the wheel, and to a distance not exceeding twenty-two feet therefrom, and also in connecting the tiller or rudder yoke with iron rods or chains used for working the rudder; Provided, That no more rope for this purpose shall be used than is sufficient to extend from the connecting points of the tiller or rudder yoke placed in any working position beyond the nearest blocks or rollers, and give sufficient play to work the ropes on such blocks or rollers: And provided, further, That there shall be chains extending the whole distance of the ropes, so connected with the tiller or rudder yoke, and attached or fastened to the tiller or rudder yoke, and the iron chains or rods extending towards the wheel, in such manner as will take immediate effect, and work the rudder in case the ropes are burnt or otherwise rendered useless.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the master and owner, and all others interested in vessels navigating Lakes Champlain, Ontario, Erie, Huron, Superior, and Michigan, or any of them, and which are

(a) An act to establish a navy-yard and depot at or adjacent to the city of Memphis, on the Mississippi river, in the State of Tennessee; June 15, 1844, chap. 52.

A resolution to suspend a part of the third section of the joint resolution of 11th Sept. 1841, relating to armories; Feb. 13, 1845.
propelled by sails and Erickson's propeller, and used exclusively in carrying freight, shall from and after the passage of this act be exempt from liability or fine for failing to provide, as a part of the necessary furniture of such vessel, a suction hose and fire engine and hose suitable to be worked on such vessel in case of fire, or more than one long boat or yawl.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the court before which any suit, information or indictment is or shall be pending for the violation, before the passage of this act, of so much of the ninth section of the act aforesaid as requires "that iron rods or chains shall be employed and used in the navigation of all steamboats, instead of wheel and tiller ropes," to order such suit, information or indictment to be discontinued, on such terms as to costs as the court shall judge to be just and reasonable: Provided, That the defendant or defendants in such prosecution shall cause it to appear, by affidavit or otherwise, to the satisfaction of the court, that he or they had failed to use iron rods or chains in the navigation of his or their boat or boats, from a well-grounded apprehension that such rods or chains could not be employed for the purpose aforesaid with safety.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That in execution of the authority vested in him by the second section of the joint resolution "authorizing experiments to be made for the purpose of testing Samuel Colt's submarine battery and for other purposes," approved August thirty-first one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, the Secretary of the Navy shall appoint a board of examiners, consisting of three persons, of thorough knowledge as to the structure and use of the steam-engine, whose duty it shall be to make experimental trials of such inventions and plans designed to prevent the explosion of steam boilers and collapsing of flues as they may deem worthy of examination, and report the result of their experiments, with an expression of their opinion as to the relative merits and efficacy of such inventions and plans, which report the Secretary shall cause to be laid before Congress, at its next session. It shall also be the duty of said examiners to examine and report the relative strength of copper and iron boilers of equal thickness, and what amount of steam to the square inch each, when sound, is capable of working with safety; and whether hydrostatic pressure, or what other plan is best for testing the strength of boilers under the inspection laws; and what limitations as to the force or pressure of steam to the square inch, in proportion to the ascertained capacity of a boiler to resist, it would be proper to establish by law for the more certain prevention of explosions.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That so much of the act aforesaid as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act shall be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Chap. XCV.—An Act in relation to the exemplifications of the records of land patents and other evidences of title, and amendatory of the act entitled "An act to reorganize the General Land Office."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That literal exemplifications of any such records which have been or may be granted in virtue of the provisions of the seventh section of the act, approved on the fourth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An act to reorganize the General Land Office," shall be deemed and held to be of the same validity in all proceedings whether at law, or in equity, wherein such exemplifications are adduced in evidence, as if the names of the officers signing and countersigning the same, had been fully inserted in such record.
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SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That exemplifications granted in pursuance of the aforesaid section of the act aforesaid, of any warrant survey, assignment, and other evidences comprising the entire muniments of title, whereon any patent has been based for lands granted by the United States in the aforesaid Virginia military land district or elsewhere, shall be, and are hereby, declared and held as of equal validity with the original patent, warrant survey, assignment, or other evidence of title, on file in said office.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Statute III.
March 3, 1843.

Chap. XCVI.—An Act providing for the settlement of claims for supplies furnished the Florida militia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury are authorized and required to settle the claims for supplies furnished the Florida militia, the payment of which is provided for by the acts of August the twenty-third, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, upon principles of equity and justice, under the directions of the Secretary of War.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Statute III.
March 3, 1843.

Chap. XCVII.—An Act to provide for holding circuit courts at Williamsport in the western district of Pennsylvania. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of any act or acts of Congress as vest in the district court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania holding its sessions at Williamsport the power and jurisdiction of a circuit court be, and the same is hereby repealed; and there shall hereafter be circuit courts held at Williamsport on the third Mondays of June and the third Mondays of September in each year by the associate justice of the Supreme Court who now is or shall hereafter be allotted to the circuit in which said district is situated and the district judge of the western district of Pennsylvania; either of whom shall constitute a quorum; which circuit court and the judges thereof shall have like powers and exercise like jurisdiction as other circuit courts and the judges thereof, and the said district court and the judge thereof shall have like powers and exercise like jurisdiction as the district courts and the judges thereof, in the other circuits.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That all actions, suits, prosecutions, causes, pleas, process and other proceedings, relative to any cause, civil or criminal, (which might have been brought, and could have been originally cognizable in a circuit court) now pending in or returnable to the said district court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania held at Williamsport, acting as a circuit court on the first day of April next shall be and are hereby declared to be, respectively transferred, returnable and continued to the said circuit court constituted by this act to be holden at Williamsport within the said district; and shall be heard, tried and determined therein, in the same manner as if originally brought, entered, prosecuted or had, in such circuit court. And the said circuit court shall be governed by the same laws and regulations as apply to the other circuit courts of the United States; and the clerk of the said court shall perform the same duties and shall be entitled to receive the same fees and emoluments, which are by law established for the clerks of the other circuit courts of the United States.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

(a) Act of February 19, 1831, chap. 29.
Chap. XCVIII. — An Act to amend the laws regulating imprisonment for debt within the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, nothing in the third section of the act entitled "An act to amend the laws within the District of Columbia," approved June twenty-fourth, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, shall be so construed as to authorize the recommitment to close jail and confinement, or to deny the benefit of the prison rules to any person imprisoned within the prison bounds of any person within the said District for debt, being charged in execution issued upon a judgment from which an appeal has been taken and remains undecided, or upon which any writ of error has been sued out and is depending and not finally disposed of, until one year from and after the day upon which every such appeal from, or writ of error upon, such judgment shall have been finally disposed of, and the judgment shall thus have become final and conclusive; but every person so imprisoned within the said District for debt, upon an execution issued upon any judgment thus situated, shall be entitled to the prison rules and to the limits of the liberties of the jail, or prison, to which he may have been, or may be, so committed, until the expiration of one year from and after the day of the final decision upon, and termination of, any such appeal, or writ of error, or any other proceeding at law or in equity, by whatever term designated, having for its object a review or reversal of the judgment upon which such debtor is, or may be, charged in execution: Provided, always, That every such debtor now in prison within the said District, shall, before the expiration of the bond under which he is now permitted to go at large within the prison bounds, execute and deliver to the marshal, or sheriff, or other officer to whose custody he has been thus committed, a new bond, with good and sufficient sureties, in the penalty of twice the amount of the judgment upon which he is charged in execution, and conditioned that he will remain a true and faithful prisoner within the bounds of the prison to which he has been committed, and will not depart thence until discharged therefrom by due course of law; and every debtor hereafter to be committed within the said District, charged in execution for debt under the circumstances provided for in this act shall, before being entitled to the prison rules as hereinbefore provided, cause to be executed and deliver to the marshal, or sheriff, or other proper officer, a like bond with sureties, in a like penalty, and with a like condition.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful, in any manner, nor by virtue of any law now existing, as to any prisoner now in confinement under circumstances such as are contemplated and provided for by the first section of this act, or as to any person who may hereafter be confined under such circumstances, to make any alteration in the prison bounds as they existed and were marked and laid out when such prisoner was committed upon the execution under which he remains charged, but the limits of the liberties of his prison shall, to every such prisoner, be what they were at the time of his commitment; and the sixteenth section of the act entitled "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors within the District of Columbia," approved March the third, one thousand eight hundred and three, shall be, and the same is hereby, so far modified as to conform to the provisions of this section of this act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That no female shall be imprisoned for debt upon mesne or final process.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Statute III.
March 3, 1843.

1558, ch. 40.
1812, ch. 106.

No person to be imprisoned upon a judgment from which an appeal, &c. is taken, until one year after such appeal, &c. has been finally disposed of.

Proviso.

No alteration to be made in the present prison bounds.

16th sec. act 3d March 1803, ch. 31, for relief of insolvent debtors, modified.

Females not to be imprisoned.
CHAP. XCIX. — An Act to authorize the election or appointment of officers in the Territory of Wisconsin.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Wisconsin shall be, and are hereby, authorized to provide, by law, for the election or appointment of sheriffs, judges of probate, justices of the peace, and county surveyors, within the said Territory, in such way or manner, and at such times and places as to them may seem proper; and after a law shall have been passed by the Legislative Assembly for that purpose, all elections or appointments of the above-named officers, thereafter to be had or made, will be in pursuance of such law.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the members of both houses of the said Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Wisconsin, shall, upon the expiration of the terms of service for which the present members have been elected, be hereafter elected to serve for the same terms of service as that for which the members of the Legislative Assembly in Iowa are now elected.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. C.—An Act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of Government for the fiscal year ending the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-four.

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 hereby are, appropriated to the objects hereinafter expressed, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, namely:

For compensation and mileage of Senators and members of the House of Representatives and delegates from the Territories, six hundred and thirty-eight thousand three hundred and twenty dollars;

For compensation of the officers and clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives, thirty-nine thousand five hundred and fifty-seven dollars and fifty cents;

For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the Senate, sixty thousand dollars;

For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars; Provided, That nothing in any resolution of either House of Congress shall prevent the settlement and payment of the bills for the printing of the two Houses of Congress, agreeably to the prices established by the joint resolution of March 3d, 1819;

For compensation of the principal and two assistant librarians, and messenger of the library of Congress, four thousand five hundred dollars;

For contingent expenses of said library, eight hundred dollars;

For purchase of books for said library, five thousand dollars;

For purchase of law books for said library, one thousand dollars;

For laying floor of principal library room with hydraulic cement, two hundred and twenty-five dollars; and the librarian is hereby authorized to sell, at public auction, any portion of the old and useless furniture of the library rooms, and pay the proceeds thereof into the treasury of the United States;

For compensation of the President of the United States, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Department of State.—For compensation of the Secretary of State,
and the clerks, messenger and assistant messenger, in his department, twenty-six thousand three hundred dollars;

For the contingent expenses of said department, viz:

For publishing, packing, and distributing the laws, and packing and distributing documents, including proof-reading, labor, boxes, and transportation, nine thousand dollars;

For stationery, blank books, and book-binding, two thousand dollars;

For labor and attendance, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For furniture and fixtures, repairs, painting, and glazing, one thousand eight hundred dollars;

For extra clerk hire and copying, two thousand dollars;

For printing, letter-press and copperplate, and advertising, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For newspapers, two hundred dollars,

For books and maps, one thousand dollars;

For the payment of all claims which Thomas Allen has against the United States for printing twenty thousand copies of "The Compendium or Abridgment of the Sixth Census, by counties and principal towns, together with the tables of apportionment as prepared at the State Department for the use of Congress," the sum of fifteen thousand eight hundred and forty-nine dollars and sixty-four cents; and for the payment of all claims which Blair and Rives have against the United States for printing ten thousand copies of the same document, eight thousand nine hundred and twenty-four dollars and eighty-two cents: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall prejudice any future application to Congress, for further compensation for said works;

For miscellaneous items, one thousand dollars: Provided, That nothing contained in the fifteenth and sixteenth sections of the act entitled "An act legalizing and making appropriations for such necessary objects as have been usually included in the general appropriation bills without authority of law, and to fix and provide for certain incidental expenses of the departments and offices of the Government, and for other purposes," shall be deemed to apply to the contingent fund appropriated to the State Department for the calendar year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and for the half calendar year one thousand eight hundred and forty-three;

To defray the expenses of distributing the remaining numbers of the Census and Statistics, according to a resolution of Congress, two thousand five hundred dollars;

For compiling, printing and binding the Biennial Register, three thousand dollars;

For compensation of the superintendent and three watchmen of the northeast executive building, one thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars;

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:

For labor, one thousand two hundred dollars;

For fuel and light, one thousand four hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, seven hundred dollars;

Treasury Department.—For compensation of the Secretary of the Treasury, and the clerks, messenger and assistant messenger, in his office, twenty-seven thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the First Comptroller, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, twenty-two thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Second Comptroller, and the clerks and messenger in his office, fifteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the First Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, nineteen thousand nine hundred dollars;
For compensation of the Second Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, twenty thousand nine hundred dollars;
For compensation of the Third Auditor, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, thirty-eight thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;
For compensation of the Fourth Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, twenty thousand one hundred and fifty dollars;
For compensation of the Fifth Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, fourteen thousand eight hundred dollars;
For compensation of the Treasurer of the United States, and the clerks and messenger in his office, thirteen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;
For compensation of the Register of the Treasury, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, twenty-eight thousand six hundred dollars;
For compensation of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the recorder, solicitor, draughtsman, assistant draughtsman, clerks, messengers, and packers, in his office, ninety-eight thousand five hundred dollars;
For compensation of the Solicitor of the Treasury, and the clerks and messenger in his office, twelve thousand four hundred dollars;
For the incidental and contingent expenses of the Treasury Department, viz:
In the office of the Secretary of the Treasury:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three thousand five hundred dollars;
For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars;
For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For extra clerk-hire, one thousand five hundred dollars;
For printing, (including the printing of the public accounts,) two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars;
For sealing ship registers, one hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, seven hundred dollars;
For translating foreign languages, one hundred and fifty dollars.
In the office of the First Comptroller:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars;
For payment of arrears for binding and printing, incurred previous to the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, seven hundred dollars;
For paying for the printing of circulars and forms under the late tariff act, six hundred dollars;
For labor, four hundred and fifty dollars;
For extra clerk-hire, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.
In the office of the Second Comptroller:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, seven hundred dollars;
For labor, two hundred dollars;
For extra clerk-hire, four hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.
In the office of the First Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;
For assistant messenger, three hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.
In the office of the Second Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For extra clerk-hire, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, including printing blanks, and one hundred
dollars for carpets and other indispensable furniture, two hundred and fifty dollars.

In the office of the Third Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;
For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For extra clerk-hire, three hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

In the office of the Fourth Auditor:
For blank books, binding and stationery, six hundred dollars;
For labor, fifty dollars;
For extra clerk-hire, one hundred dollars;
For printing, fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.

In the office of the Fifth Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For extra clerk-hire, fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

In the Treasurer's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;
For labor, three hundred and seventy-five dollars;
For printing, seven hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars.

In the Solicitor's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars;
For law books, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For printing circulars, blank forms for returns of district attorneys, marshals, clerks of courts, and collectors of the customs, three hundred dollars;
For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.

In the Register's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars;
For labor, three hundred and fifty dollars;
For printing, five hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars;
For arrears for eighteen hundred and forty-two, for blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred and ninety-one dollars and fifteen cents;
For arrears for eighteen hundred and forty-two, for printing, seven hundred and twenty-six dollars and twenty-six cents.

In the General Land Office:
For stationery, including blank books, and blank forms for the district land offices, seven thousand five hundred dollars;
For fifty thousand pieces of parchment and printing patents, seven thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;
For advertising land sales in newspapers, and in hand-bill form, public notices, and printing circulars, four thousand dollars;
For office furniture and repairs of same, one thousand two hundred dollars;
For pay of laborers employed in the office, five hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, seven hundred and eighty dollars.

For compensation to Samuel C. Davidson, for carrying mails of the General Land Office to and from the city post office, from the nineteenth of May to the sixth of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, forty-five dollars and sixty-one cents.

For compensation of the superintendent and eight watchmen of the southeast executive building, three thousand four hundred dollars.
For contingent expenses of said building, viz:
For labor, two thousand two hundred dollars;
For fuel and light, three thousand seven hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one thousand seven hundred dollars.

For the purchase of a site and the commencement of the building of custom-house, at Wilmington, North Carolina, in addition to the proceeds of the sale of the present site, if the Secretary of the Treasury shall deem it proper to change the site, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the plan of the building shall be such, that the whole cost, both of building and site, shall not exceed the sum of forty thousand dollars.

*War Department.*—For compensation of the Secretary of War, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nineteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars;
For newspapers and periodicals, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, three hundred dollars;
For printing, three hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, five hundred and fifty dollars;
For books, maps, and plans, one thousand dollars;
For extra clerk hire, three thousand dollars;
For arrears for newspapers and periodicals, prior to twenty-sixth August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, two hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nineteen thousand four hundred dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars:
For labor, fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, eight hundred and fifty dollars;
For compensation of the Commissioner of Pensions, and the clerks, and messengers, in his office, and including five hundred dollars for the half calendar year, ending thirtieth June, sixteen thousand dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;
For printing, four hundred dollars;
For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, four hundred and fifty dollars;
For compensation of the clerk and messenger in the office of the Commanding General, one thousand five hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, for said office, three hundred dollars;
For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Adjutant General, seven thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz:
For printing Army Register and orders, four hundred dollars;
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;
For extra clerk hire, one hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, including five hundred and ninety-six dollars and sixteen cents, unexpended balance of former appropriations, six hundred dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Quartermaster General, seven thousand three hundred dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;
For labor, two hundred dollars;
For printing, two hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars;
For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Paymaster General, seven thousand one hundred dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars;
For fuel, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars;
For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of clothing and equipage at Philadelphia, four thousand two hundred dollars;
For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence, five thousand three hundred dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars;
For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars;
For printing and advertising, eight hundred dollars;
For labor, one hundred dollars;
For fuel, one hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars;
For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Chief Engineer, five thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars;
For printing, one hundred dollars;
For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;
For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Surgeon General, two thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;
For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars;
For printing, fifty dollars;
For fuel, seventy-five dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.
For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Colonel of Ordnance, eight thousand six hundred and fifty dollars.
For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred and fifty dollars;
For printing, eighty dollars;
For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the bureau of Topographical Engineers, four thousand nine hundred dollars.
For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz.:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars.
For labor, one hundred dollars;
For fuel, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.
For compensation of the superintendent and four watchmen of the northwest executive building, one thousand seven hundred and ten dollars.
For contingent expenses of said building, viz.:
For labor, four hundred dollars;
For fuel and light, two thousand dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one thousand six hundred dollars.

_Navy Department._—For compensation of the Secretary of the Navy, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nineteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.
For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, eight hundred dollars:
For extra clerk hire, four thousand dollars;  
For printing, three hundred dollars;  
For labor, three hundred and fifty dollars;  
For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars;  
For newspapers and periodicals, two hundred dollars;  
For payment of sundry bills for stationery and newspapers for eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, eighteen hundred and forty, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and eighteen hundred and forty-two, seven hundred dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Navy-yards and Docks, and the draughtsman, clerks, and messenger, in his office, eight thousand four hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz:  
For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;  
For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars;  
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Construction, Equipment, and Repairs, and the assistant constructor, clerks, and messenger, in his office, nine thousand one hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz:  
For blank books and stationery, two hundred dollars;  
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and eighty dollars;  
For labor, one hundred and twenty dollars;  
For compensation of the chief of bureau of Provisions and Clothing, and the clerks and messenger in his office, seven thousand one hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz:  
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars;  
For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography, and the draughtsman, clerk, and messenger, in his office, nine thousand four hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz:  
For blank books and stationery, two hundred and sixty dollars;  
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and forty dollars;  
For labor, one hundred dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and the clerks and messenger in his office, five thousand two hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz:  
For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars;  
For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.

For compensation of the superintendent and three watchmen of the southwest executive building, one thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars.

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:  
For labor, three hundred and twenty-five dollars;  
For fuel and lights, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;  
For miscellaneous items, one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For payment to Isaac Babbitt, of Boston, in execution of a contract made with him by the Secretary of the Navy for the purchase of Babbitt's "anti-attrition metal," pursuant to the act of Congress of the twenty-ninth of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, twenty thousand dollars; and the accounting officers of the treasury, are hereby authorized and directed, in the settlement of the accounts of the officers attached to the late surveying and exploring expedition, to the Pacific Ocean, and the South seas, who were employed in the scientific duties, to allow and credit them with extra pay, equal to that allowed to the officers engaged in the service of the coast survey.
Post Office Department.—For compensation of the Postmaster General and the three Assistant Postmasters General, and the clerks, messenger, and three assistant messengers, and two watchmen of the Post Office Department, seventy-four thousand three hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said department, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand eight hundred dollars;

For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars;

For fuel and oil, two thousand one hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, eight hundred dollars;

For printing, nine hundred dollars;

For labor, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For one day watchman, three hundred and sixty dollars;

For compensation of temporary clerks, three thousand dollars;

For blank books, binding, and stationery, furnished between second October, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and twentieth August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, six hundred and forty-three dollars and four cents;

For blank books, binding and stationery furnished between the first of April eighteen hundred and forty and twenty-fourth May eighteen hundred and forty-one, one thousand five hundred and fifty-six dollars;

For advertising done in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-nine and eighteen hundred and forty, one hundred and two dollars and forty-eight cents;

For newspapers subscribed for prior to September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Auditor for the Post Office Department, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, eighty-five thousand seven hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said office, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred and fifty dollars;

For printing blanks, one thousand one hundred and thirty dollars;

For labor, two thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, five hundred and fifty dollars.

Surveyors and their Clerks.—For compensation of the surveyor general northwest of the Ohio, and the clerks in his office, eight thousand three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Illinois and Missouri, and the clerks in his office, five thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Arkansas, and the clerks in his office, four thousand three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Louisiana, and the clerks in his office, four thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Mississippi, and the clerks in his office, seven thousand dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Alabama, and the clerks in his office, four thousand dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Florida, and the clerks in his office, five thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Wisconsin and Iowa, and the clerks in his office, three thousand one hundred dollars: Provided, That the said several surveyors general shall reside within the districts for which they are surveyors general, and discharge the duties of their said office.

For extra clerks in the offices of the surveyors general, to be apportioned to them according to the exigencies of the public service, and including the existing undrawn balance of two hundred and ten dollars and seventy-seven cents, from thirtieth December, eighteen hundred...
and forty-two, to thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-four, twenty-one thousand dollars.

For compensation of the secretary to sign patents for public lands, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the Commissioner of Public Buildings in Washington city, and the three assistants, as draw-keepers at the Potomac bridge, including oil, fire wood, and repairs, four thousand dollars.

**United States Mint and Branches.**—For compensation of the officers and workmen of the mint at Philadelphia, viz:

For the director, three thousand five hundred dollars;
For the treasurer, two thousand dollars;
For the chief coiner, two thousand dollars;
For the assayer, two thousand dollars;
For the melter and refiner, two thousand dollars;
For the engraver, two thousand dollars;
For the assistant assayer, one thousand three hundred dollars;
For four clerks, four thousand four hundred dollars;
For wages to workmen, twenty-four thousand dollars;
For incidental and contingent expenses, including the wastage of gold and silver, fuel, materials, stationery, water, rent, and taxes, seven thousand nine hundred and seventy-three dollars.

For specimens of ores and coins to be reserved at said mint, three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at Charlotte, in North Carolina, viz:

For the superintendent, two thousand dollars;
For the assayer, one thousand five hundred dollars;
For the coiner, one thousand five hundred dollars;
For the clerk, one thousand dollars;
For wages to workmen, three thousand five hundred dollars.
For incidental and contingent expenses, including fuel, materials, stationery, taxes, and wastage of gold, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at Dahlonega, in Georgia, viz:

For the superintendent, two thousand dollars;
For the assayer, one thousand five hundred dollars;
For the coiner, one thousand five hundred dollars;
For the clerk, one thousand dollars;
For wages to workmen, two thousand eight hundred and eighty dollars.
For incidental and contingent expenses of said branch, including fuel, materials, stationery, taxes, and wastage of gold, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at New Orleans, viz:

For the superintendent, two thousand five hundred dollars;
For the treasurer, two thousand dollars;
For the coiner, two thousand dollars;
For the assayer, two thousand dollars;
For the melter and refiner, two thousand dollars;
For two clerks, two thousand four hundred dollars;
For wages to workmen, twenty thousand dollars.
For incidental and contingent expenses of said branch, including fuel, materials, stationery, and wastage of gold and silver, fifteen thousand dollars.

**Governments in the Territories of the United States.**—For compensation of the officers of Wisconsin Territory, viz:

For Governor, two thousand five hundred dollars;
For three judges, five thousand four hundred dollars;
For secretary, one thousand two hundred dollars;
For contingent expenses of said Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars;
For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, pay of officers, printing, stationery, fuel, furniture, postage, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, seventeen thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars.
For compensation of the officers of Iowa Territory, viz:
For Governor, two thousand five hundred dollars;
For three judges, five thousand four hundred dollars;
For secretary, one thousand two hundred dollars.
For contingent expenses of said Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars.
For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, pay of officers, printing, stationery, fuel, furniture, postage, candles, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, twenty thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars.
For compensation of the officers of Florida Territory, viz:
For Governor, two thousand five hundred dollars;
For five judges, nine thousand five hundred dollars;
For secretary, one thousand five hundred dollars.
For contingent expenses of said Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars.
For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Council of said Territory, pay of officers, stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, twenty-seven thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Judiciary.—For the salaries of the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, and the judges of the several districts of the United States, ninety-three thousand nine hundred dollars.
For the Attorney General of the United States, and the clerk and messenger in his office, five thousand five hundred dollars.
For contingent expenses of said office, five hundred dollars.
For the salaries of the chief justice of the District of Columbia, the associate judges, the judges of the criminal court and the orphans' courts of said District, eleven thousand seven hundred dollars.
For the reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, including arrears of eighteen hundred and forty-two, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.
For the salaries of the district attorneys of the several districts and Territories of the United States, as prescribed by law, eight thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.
For arrears of the salaries of the district attorneys of Maryland and Massachusetts, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, four hundred dollars.
For the salaries of the marshals for the several districts and Territories of the United States, as prescribed by law, seven thousand two hundred dollars.
For defraying the expenses of the supreme, circuit, and district courts of the United States, including the District of Columbia; also, for jurors and witnesses, in aid of the funds arising from fines, penalties, and forfeitures, incurred in the year eighteen hundred and forty-four and preceding years; and likewise for defraying the expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, and of prosecutions for offences committed against the United States, and for the safe-keeping of prisoners, including expenses under the bankrupt law, three hundred and seventy-three thousand dollars; Provided, That no part of the sum hereby appropriated shall be paid to, or in any way allowed to any person or persons, who has or have neglected to
compel to comply with all and every requirement contained in the one hundred and sixty-seventh paragraph of the first section of the twenty-ninth chapter of the laws of the United States, entitled "An act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the Government for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two," and approved May eighteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-two.

Miscellaneous.—Annuities and grants:

To Josiah H. Webb, fifty dollars;
To Rachel Dohrman, three hundred dollars;
To Elizabeth C. Perry, four hundred dollars;

For survey of the coast of the United States, including compensation of superintendent and assistants, one hundred thousand dollars: Provided, That this, and all other appropriations hereafter to be made for this work, shall, until otherwise provided by law, be expended in accordance with a plan of reorganizing the mode of executing the survey, to be submitted to the President of the United States by a board of officers which shall be organized by him, to consist of the present superintendent, his two principal assistants, and the two naval officers now in charge of the hydroographical parties, and four from among the principal officers of the corps of topographical engineers; none of whom shall receive any additional compensation whatever for this service, and who shall sit as soon as organized. And the President of the United States shall adopt and carry into effect the plan of said board, as agreed upon by a majority of its members; and the plan of said board shall cause to be employed as many officers of the army and navy of the United States as will be compatible with the successful prosecution of the work; the officers of the navy to be employed on the hydroographical parts, and the officers of the army on the topographical parts of the work; and no officer of the army or navy shall hereafter receive any extra pay out of this, or any future appropriations for surveys.

For compensation of the two keepers of the public archives in Florida, one thousand dollars.

For expenses in relation to the relief of certain insolvent debtors of the United States, two thousand dollars.

For the support and maintenance of the penitentiary in the District of Columbia, five thousand dollars.

For repairing the cellar of the public store-house in the city of Baltimore, in such manner as to prevent the admission of water into the same, four thousand dollars: this sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

For repairs of the custom-house at Mobile, five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as, in the estimation of the Secretary of the Treasury, after due inquiry and proper estimates are made, may be deemed necessary to prevent further dilapidation, and render the court-room and other departments in said building fit for use.

To make good a deficiency in the eighteen months ending the thirty-first of June eighteen hundred and forty-three, and estimated deficiency in the year ending on the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and forty-four, in the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, as established by the act of the third of May eighteen hundred and three, [two] twenty-five thousand dollars.

For paying the contractors under contracts made by the Government of the United States for completing the Boston custom-house, fifty thousand dollars.

For repairing the custom-house and post office buildings in Charleston, South Carolina, five thousand dollars.

For registers for ships and vessels, and lists of crews, including cost of new dies and plates, four thousand dollars.
For the payment of balances to officers of old internal revenue and direct tax, being part of the amount carried to the surplus fund thirty-first December, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, three thousand six hundred and sixty-one dollars and ninety cents.

For payment to Joseph Russ and Stephen J. Roach, in full for labor bestowed, any money expended in repairing or constructing a road leading from Pensacola to Tallahassee in Florida, in pursuance of a settlement of their account under the act approved seventeenth February, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, entitled “An act for the relief of Joseph Russ and Stephen J. Roach,” two thousand dollars.

For lighting Pennsylvania avenue, one hundred and fifty dollars.

For the compensation of the captain and watchmen for the city of Washington, six thousand seven hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses for fuel and light for said watch, three hundred dollars.

For payment of the books ordered by the resolution of the House of Representatives adopted on the eighth of August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, forty-seven thousand one hundred and sixty-two dollars and seventy-six cents.

For expenses incurred prior to January first, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, for clerk-hire, wages of porter, and stationery, of the commissioners under the act of July seven, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, “to remit duties on certain goods destroyed by fire,” one thousand three hundred and thirty-seven dollars and ninety-nine cents.

For the balance due to the late commercial agent at St. Christopher’s for disbursements for the relief and protection of distressed American seamen, five thousand eight hundred and sixty-six dollars and eight cents.

To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to procure the necessary manual for the several custom-houses, together with the necessary instruments and apparatus, to ascertain the relative quantity of saccharine matter in the different kinds of sugar, agreeably to the resolution of the House of Representatives adopted on the twenty-first of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, six thousand two hundred dollars.

For the balance due on the second volume of the Documentary History of the American Revolution, six thousand eight hundred and sixty-six dollars.

For the third volume of the Documentary History of the American Revolution, twenty-seven thousand six hundred and fifty dollars: Provided, That the whole work, when completed, shall not exceed twenty volumes, and that the whole cost of the entire work shall not exceed twenty thousand four hundred dollars per volume: Provided, also, That the materials which shall compose each successive volume shall, before any appropriation is hereafter made for the cost of the same, be submitted to, and approved by, the Secretary of State for the time being: And provided, also, That the parties who stipulated, by articles of agreement dated the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, to publish the “Documentary History of the American Revolution,” shall, within ten days from the passage of this act, deliver to the Secretary of State a written agreement, to be by him accepted and approved, adopting as part of the said original articles the restrictions and limitations in these provisos contained, and making the same legally binding and operative, as portions of the said original articles, in all respects as if they had been in terms incorporated into the same.

For completing the indexing of the public documents connected with...
the office of the First Comptroller and the office of the Secretary of the Treasury, eight hundred dollars.

For paying balance of expenses, in full, for negotiating the loans authorized by the acts of twenty-first July, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and fifteenth April, eighteen hundred and forty-two, ten thousand dollars.

**Patent Office.**—For the purchase of such scientific books as are necessary for the use of the Patent Office, to be paid out of the patent fund, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For the collection of agricultural statistics, and for other agricultural purposes, to be paid out of the patent fund, two thousand dollars.

To defray the expenses of taking care of and preserving the botanical and horticultural specimens brought home by the squadron of the Exploring Expedition under the direction and control of the Joint Committee on the Library, twelve hundred dollars.

For the removal of the statue of Washington, from its present position, and permanently placing the same on a proper pedestal, and covering it temporarily in the enclosed and cultivated public grounds east of the Capitol, directly in front of the main entrance and steps of the east front of the Capitol, as suggested in the report of the Joint Committee on the Library, and in the letter of Mr. Greenough, dated February third, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, referred to and reported by said committee in connection with the memorial of Horatio Greenough, under the direction and supervision of the said Greenough, the sum of five thousand dollars.

**Light-House Establishment.**—For supplying the light-houses, containing two thousand six hundred and seventy-eight lamps, with oil, tube-glasses, wicks, buffkins, whiting, and cotton cloth, transportation, and keeping apparatus in order, one hundred and five thousand one hundred and ninety dollars and thirty cents.

To reimburse the Chamber of Commerce at Philadelphia, the expense incurred by them in continuing the light on the breakwater near Cape Henlopen, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

For repairs, refitting, and improvements of light-houses, and buildings connected therewith, ninety-nine thousand eight hundred and seventy-one dollars and forty-two cents.

For compensation of two hundred and thirty-six keepers of light-houses, eighteen of them being charged with double lights, and one with three, ninety-three thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight dollars.

For compensation of thirty keepers of floating lights, sixteen thousand dollars.

For seamen's wages, repairs, and supplies of thirty floating lights, sixty-six thousand four hundred and twenty dollars and eighty-four cents.

For weighing, mooring, cleansing, repairing, and supplying the loss of beacons, buoys, chains, and sinkers, twenty-four thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars and sixty-four cents.

For rebuilding the beacon at Black Rock, Connecticut, ten thousand dollars.

For expenses of examining annually and reporting the condition of the light-houses, four thousand dollars.

For superintendents' commissions, at two and one half cent, ten thousand two hundred and fifty dollars and eighty-five cents.

For the completion of the repairs of the Potomac bridge, three thousand five hundred dollars.

**Surveys of Public Lands.**—For completing the survey of private land claims in Alabama, and their connection with the adjacent public lands, at a rate not exceeding eight dollars per mile, being in addition to the appropriation made for a similar object by the act of April sixth,
one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and including a deficiency in the existing appropriation of three thousand three hundred and seventeen dollars and seventy-six cents, to pay for work already completed and returned, five thousand eight hundred dollars.

For completing the retracing of certain old surveys in the State of Mississippi, at a rate not exceeding eight dollars per mile, in addition to the unexpended balance of the appropriation of May eight, one thousand eight hundred and forty, for the survey of private land claims, and connecting the same with the adjacent public lands, south of the thirty-first degree of latitude, at the same rate, eleven thousand one hundred dollars.

For completing the surveys in Missouri, in the towns named in the act of May twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, in addition to the unexpended balance of the appropriation of March third, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, for a similar object, and including office work, four thousand dollars.

For surveying the public lands, in addition to the unexpended balance of former appropriations, to be apportioned to the several surveying districts according to the exigencies of the public service, forty thousand dollars.

For the survey of small detached tracts situated in Illinois and Missouri, principally in the military district of Illinois, at a rate not exceeding six dollars per mile, and including office work, three thousand dollars.

**Intercourse with Foreign Nations.**—For salaries of the ministers of the United States to Great Britain, France, Russia, Prussia, Austria, Spain, Mexico, and Brazil, seventy-two thousand dollars.

For salaries of the secretaries of legation to the same places, sixteen thousand dollars.

For salaries of the chargés des affaires to Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, Belgium, Chili, Peru, Venezuela, New Grenada, Texas, Naples, and Sardinia, fifty-four thousand dollars.

For outfits of a minister to France, and of a chargé d'affaires to Denmark, thirteen thousand five hundred dollars.

For salary of the minister resident to Turkey, six thousand dollars.

For salary of a drogoman to the legation to Turkey, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation to a commissioner to the Sandwich Islands, three thousand dollars.

For the contingent expenses of all the missions abroad, twenty thousand dollars.

For the contingent expenses of foreign intercourse, thirty thousand dollars.

For the salary of the consul at London, two thousand dollars.

For the salary of a consul at Beyroot, five hundred dollars.

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

For clerk hire, office rent, and other expenses of the office of the American consul at London, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the expenses of intercourse with the Barbary Powers, fifteen thousand dollars.

For defraying the expenses attending the conveyance and forwarding, by land, and of the receipt and delivery, of mails, letters and despatches at and between Chagres and Panama, including the compensation to an agent of the United States at each of said places for the above purposes, one thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State.

**Post Office Department.**—For the service of the General Post Office for the year commencing on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and
forty-three, in conformity to the act of second July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, four million five hundred and forty-five thousand dollars, viz:

For transportation of the mail, three million one hundred and ninetyfive thousand dollars.

For compensation of postmasters, nine hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

For ship, steamboat, and way-letters, twenty-two thousand dollars.

For wrapping paper, eighteen thousand dollars.

For office furniture (for the offices of postmasters) seven thousand dollars.

For advertising, thirty-two thousand dollars.

For mail bags, eighteen thousand dollars.

For blanks, thirty thousand dollars.

For mail locks, keys, and stamps, nine thousand dollars.

For mail depredations and special agents, twenty-eight thousand dollars: Provided, That no special or travelling Post Office agent shall receive a higher compensation than one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars per annum, and in addition thereto, two dollars per day for his travelling expenses.

For clerks for offices (for the offices of postmasters) two hundred and ten thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous items, fifty-six thousand dollars: Provided, That the President and the Postmaster General shall have the same power to transfer funds from one to another head of appropriation, of the foregoing appropriations, made for the service of the General Post Office, as the President and any other head of an Executive Department now have to transfer funds appropriated under one head to the service of another, in any other branch of the public service.

For taking down the two old furnaces in the crypt under the rotundo, and building two new ones, cutting out the necessary flues, and doing other work connected therewith, according to a proposition of John Skirving, under date of February first, eighteen hundred and forty-three, the sum of one thousand four hundred and fifty-four dollars.

For constructing two furnaces under each end of the first story of the centre of the Capitol, for warming the rooms and passages upon and above said first story, including the Congress library room, according to the proposition of John Skirving to the chairman of the Committee on Public Buildings, seven thousand nine hundred and seventy-three dollars.

For annual repairs of the Capitol, attending furnaces and water-closets, lamp-lighting, oil, laborers on the Capitol grounds, tools, keeping iron pipes and wooden fences in order, attending at the western gates, gardener’s salary, and top dressing for plants, for the eighteen months ending thirtieth June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, eleven thousand two hundred and thirty-one dollars and fifty-four cents.

For annual repairs at the President’s house, gardener’s salary, laborers, tools, and top dressing for plants, for the eighteen months ending thirtieth June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, three thousand seven hundred and thirty-four dollars and twenty-five cents.

For the amount due for work and materials on the Treasury building, on the General Post Office, and the bridge on Pennsylvania avenue, seven thousand and four dollars and forty-four cents.

For iron-railing and gates on the lower terrace of the Treasury building, and tripods and lamps on the blocking in front of the portico, three thousand seven hundred dollars.

For tripods with lamps, for the blocking in front of the General Post Office, two hundred dollars.

For repairing damage to iron pipes by freshet, seven hundred and thirty-three dollars and fifty-one cents
For materials and work for bulkhead frames and doors and windows in the cellar of the Capitol, two hundred and twenty-one dollars.

For marble basin at the fountain on the terrace of the Capitol, one hundred and twenty dollars.

For pay of James Kelly, amount allowed him by the commissioners under the resolution of Congress, fifty dollars and forty-four cents.

For preparing and publishing charts, and otherwise carrying into effect the act of August twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, for publishing an account of the discoveries of the exploring expedition, under the supervision and direction of the Joint Committee on the Library, twenty thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in case the sum appropriated for any object of contingencies, should be found more than sufficient to meet the expense thereby contemplated, the surplus may be applied under the direction of the head of the proper department, to supply the deficiency of any other item in the same department or office: Provided, That the expenditure for newspapers and periodicals shall not exceed the amount specifically appropriated to that object by this act, except in the State Department.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. CI.—An Act for the relief of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, in the Territory of Wisconsin.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the township of land, containing twenty-three thousand and forty acres, (or whatever quantity now remains to them,) lying on the east side of Winnebago lake, in the Territory of Wisconsin, which, by the proviso of a treaty made with the Menomonic Indians on the seventeenth day of February, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-one, and ratified on the ninth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, was reserved for the use of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, and which, by a subsequent treaty with the Menomonic tribe, bearing date twenty-seventh October, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and ratified thirteenth March, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, was further secured to the said Stockbridge tribe of Indians, may be partitioned and divided among the different individuals composing said tribe of Stockbridge Indians, and may be held by them, separately and severally, in fee simple, after such division shall have been made in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, for the purpose of making partition and division of said lands among the individuals of said tribe of Stockbridge Indians, a board of commissioners shall be constituted, to consist of five of the principal or head men of said tribe, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business, whose duty it shall be to make a just and fair partition and division of said lands among the members of said tribe, or among such of them as, by the laws and customs and regulations of said tribe, are entitled to the same, and in such proportions and in such manner as shall be consistent with equity and justice, and in accordance with the existing laws, customs, usages, or agreements of said tribe.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That, for the purpose of electing or choosing said board of commissioners, a meeting of said tribe shall be held at their church or principal public place, on the reservation of land aforesaid, on the first Monday in April, eighteen hundred and forty-three, at which all the male members of said tribe, over the age of twenty-one years, shall be allowed to vote for such commissioners; and the said five commissioners shall then and there be elected or chosen by the said tribe, by a majority of the whole number of such voters then
How the division shall be made.

Proviso.

Commissioners to make a report of their proceedings, with a map.

Mode of proceeding in case of the division being unsatisfactory.

Three copies of report and map to be made and disposed of, how.

present. And the judge of the district in which said lands are situated (or, in his absence, the register of the land office at Green Bay, or the commanding officer of the United States troops at Fort Howard) shall attend at the time and place aforesaid, and preside at said meeting, superintend the said election, and see that the proceedings are fairly conducted. And the said presiding officer may, in his discretion, prescribe whether the said election shall be by ballot or viva voce, and shall, in other respects, cause the proceedings to be conducted in such a manner as to ensure a fair and proper choice or election; and after the said commissioners shall have been so chosen or elected, the said presiding officer shall immediately certify that fact, setting forth the names of the commissioners who shall be elected, and shall make two copies of said certificate, one of which he shall file in the office of the register of the land district at Green Bay, and the other he shall transmit by mail to the President of the United States.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That after the said commissioner shall have been elected or chosen as above prescribed, and as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, they shall proceed to make partition and division of all the lands aforesaid, among the individual members of said tribe, or among such of them as, by the laws, customs, usages, or agreements of said tribe, are justly entitled to the same, and in such way and manner, and upon such principles, and in such proportions, as shall be agreeable to equity and justice, and consistent with the laws, usages, customs, and agreements of said tribe: Provided, however, That the buildings and improvements, and the farms on which the same are situated, which are now held or possessed in severalty by the members of said tribe, shall, so far as the same can consistently be done, be allotted or apportioned to the present occupants; and that no person or individual of said tribe shall be dispossessed or deprived of the improvements or land which they now occupy, unless it shall be found by the said commissioners that such person or persons are in possession of and occupying more land than they are justly entitled to, and then the surplus may be apportioned to others.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That after the said commissioners shall have made such partition and division as aforesaid, they shall make, or cause to be made, a full report of their proceedings in the premises, setting forth the name of each person to whom they have apportioned any part of said land, the quantity apportioned or allotted to each, with the metes and bounds, or other definite description of each several piece or parcel of land; and they shall accompany the said report with a fair and accurate map of the whole, showing the divisions and partitions aforesaid; which report and map, or a true copy thereof, shall be deposited with the town clerk of said tribe, on or before the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-three, and shall remain open for inspection to all for the space of twenty days thereafter; and if any member or members of said tribe shall object to the partition or division so made by the said commissioners, or shall deem himself or themselves aggrieved thereby, he or they may, within ten days thereafter, give notice thereof to the said commissioners, who shall, within twenty days thereafter, meet to hear and determine such grievances, and take testimony, if necessary, and, after such hearing, shall have power to alter or modify such partition, if, in their judgment, any alteration or modification is necessary, in order to do equal and exact justice to all parties interested.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That, after the said report shall be finally completed, the commissioners shall cause three fair copies of the said report, and of the map accompanying the same, as finally agreed upon and settled, to be made and signed by said commissioners, one copy of which shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of said
TERRITORY, one copy in the office of the clerk of the county within which said lands are situated, and the other shall be transmitted to the President of the United States, who shall thereupon cause patents to be issued to the several individuals named in said report, for the lands so apportioned to them respectively, by which the said persons shall be authorized to hold the said land in fee simple, to themselves and their heirs and assigns.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the said report and map shall be filed with the Secretary of said Territory, and in the clerk's office of said county, and shall also be transmitted to the President, on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-four; and, after the same shall have been filed and transmitted to the President as aforesaid, the said Stockbridge tribe of Indians, and each and every of them, shall then be deemed to be, and from that time forth are hereby declared to be, citizens of the United States, to all intents and purposes, and shall be entitled to all the rights, privileges, and immunities of such citizens, and shall, in all respects, be subject to the laws of the United States and of the Territory of Wisconsin, in the same manner as other citizens of said Territory; and the jurisdiction of the United States and of said Territory shall be extended over the said township or reservation now held by them, in the same manner as over other parts of said Territory; and their rights as a tribe or nation, and their power of making or executing their own laws, usages, or customs, as such tribe, shall cease and determine: Provided, however, That nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to deprive them of the right to any annuity now due them from the State of New York or the United States, but they shall be entitled to receive any such annuity, in the same manner as though this act had not been passed.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. CII.—An Act granting a pension to certain revolutionary soldiers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the widow of any person who served in the war of the Revolution in the manner set forth in the act approved the seventh day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, entitled "An act supplementary to the act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," and whose widow, in virtue of an act approved the seventh day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows," and an act approved the twenty-third day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, amendatory thereof, and a resolution approved the sixteenth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, entitled "A resolution declarative of the pension act of July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight," received, or is entitled to an annuity or pension for the term of five years from the fourth of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, shall be entitled to receive the same annuity or pension which she received, or is entitled to receive, under said acts or said resolution, or either of them, for and during the further term of one year from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, or during such portion of said term as said widow shall survive, subject in all respects, however, to the rules, limitations, and conditions, in and by said acts and resolution made and provided.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of three hundred and eighty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay the annuities or pensions in and by this act granted.

Approved, March 3, 1843.
Statute III.
March 3, 1843.

Act of Jan. 18, 1837, ch. 5.
Act of Aug. 23, 1843, ch. 185.
Act of 18th Jan. 1837, continued for two years.

Proviso.

Proviso.

Chap. Clxi.—An Act further to continue in force the act for the payment of horses and other property lost in the military service of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of horses and other property lost in the military service of the United States," approved on the eighteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and which has been continued in force until the end of the present session of Congress, be, and the same is hereby, continued in force for two years from and after the end of the present session of Congress: Provided, That at the end of the last aforesaid term of two years, all claims intended to be provided for by said act, shall be forever barred and irrecoverable before any tribunal whatever: Provided further, That in making proof of the loss of a horse, under the provisions of the aforesaid act, for want of forage, the additional proof of hard service connected therewith, shall not be construed to invalidate the proof of such loss by reason of the failure of the Government to furnish forage, the proof of want of forage being satisfactory.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

RESOLUTIONS.

Jan. 20, 1843.

No. 1. Joint Resolution for the distribution of catalogues of the library of Congress.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That of the copies of the Catalogue of the Library of Congress last published, now remaining on hand, there be distributed by the librarian one copy to each of the colleges and universities in the United States that has not already been furnished with the same and to each person entitled to the use of the library.

Approved, January 20, 1843.

Feb. 18, 1843.

No. 2. Joint Resolution to establish agencies for water-rotted hemp.

Resolved 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 to establish an agency in the State of Kentucky, and an agency in the State of Missouri, for the inspection, test, and purchase of water-rotted hemp for the use of the American navy: Provided, That domestic hemp shall not cost more than foreign hemp of the same quality in the seaport towns of the United States.

Approved, February 18, 1843.

Feb. 24, 1843.

No. 3. A Resolution for the distribution of certain copies of the Census returns and of the Compendium of the Sixth Census.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That of the extra copies of the Census returns for eighteen hundred and forty, and of the Compendium of the said Census now remaining on hand, there be retained until further order two hundred copies of each; and that the residue of said Census returns and Compendium there be distributed, in the same manner as the laws of Congress are distributed, two hundred and fifty copies of each to the Secretary of State for his department and for distribution, in like manner by him, to ministers and diplomatic agents of this Go-
government and of foreign Governments, and to universities, colleges, and literary institutions now entitled to receive congressional documents, printed by order of either House, allowing one copy of each work to each; that the said Secretary in like manner distribute of said residue to the Library of Congress the same number of copies of each as it is entitled to receive of said congressional documents, and for the same purposes; to the library of the Senate three copies of each work; to the library of the House of Representatives three copies of each work; to every other department, bureau, public office or officer now entitled to receive congressional documents as aforesaid, one copy of each work, for preservation in such department, bureau or office; to every other person, body politic and functionary now entitled to receive congressional documents as aforesaid, one copy of each work; and that the said Secretary of State distribute the remaining copies of each work aforesaid to the several States, Territories, and District of Columbia in proportion to their respective population, in the same manner as the laws of Congress are apportioned and distributed; and that of the extra copies of each Census taken before eighteen hundred and forty, all over fifty copies (if so many remain on hand) be distributed to said States, Territories and District in like proportion and in like manner.

Approved, February 24, 1843.

No. 4. Joint Resolution directing certain papers relating to titles to land in Louisiana, to be returned to the General Land Office.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and they are hereby, instructed to furnish to the Commissioner of the General land office, the original reports from the several Land Offices in the State of Louisiana, made under the provisions of an act entitled "An act for the final adjustment of claims to land in the State of Louisiana," approved February sixth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five; also the title-papers and evidence relating to claims in said reports, confirmed by an act entitled "An act confirming certain land claims in Louisiana," approved July sixth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two: Provided, That claimants shall be entitled to withdraw their original title-papers after fair copies shall have been taken by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

No. 5. Joint Resolution, in relation to certain property purchased for the United States in the city of Detroit.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall have charge of the banking house, with the appurtenances, late of the Bank of Michigan, situate in the city of Detroit, in the State of Michigan, purchased for the United States by direction of the Solicitor of the Treasury; and he shall have power to set apart the said premises for the use of the courts of the United States, the officers of such courts, and the post office in the said city of Detroit, and for such other public uses as he may judge to be expedient and proper, until the further order of Congress in the premises.

Approved, March 3, 1843.
March 3, 1843.

No. 6. Joint Resolution for continuing an additional clerk in the Second Auditor's office.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provision contained in the act of twenty-sixth August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, "legalizing and making appropriations for such necessary objects as have been usually included in the general appropriation bills without other authority of law, and for other purposes," for one additional clerk in the Second Auditor's office at one thousand dollars, be, and the same is, continued until the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

March 3, 1843.

Mode of issuing patents to the heirs of persons entitled to bounty lands.

No. 7. Joint Resolution relating to patents for bounty lands.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where an officer or soldier of the revolutionary war, or a soldier of the last war, was entitled to bounty land, has died before obtaining a patent for the land, and where application is made by a part only of the heirs of such deceased officer or soldier for such bounty land, it shall be the duty of the proper officers of the War Department to issue the warrant or patent in the name of the heirs of such deceased officer or soldier, without specifying each; and the patent so issued in the name of the heirs, generally, shall inure to the benefit of the whole, in such portions as they are severally entitled to by the laws of descent in the State or Territory where the officer or soldier belonged at the time of his death.

Approved, March 3, 1843.