Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the evidences of the public debt of the United States shall be receivable in payment for the said lands, agreeably to the directions of an act, intituled "An act to authorize the receipt of evidences of the public debt in payment for the lands of the United States."

APPROVED, March 2, 1799.

Evidences of public debt may be received in payment.

Ante, p. 507.

STATUTE III.

CHAP. XXXVI.—An Act in addition to "An act for the relief of sick and disabled Seamen." (a)

March 2, 1799.

Section 1. 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 shall be, and he hereby is authorized to direct the expenditure of any monies which have been or shall be collected by virtue of an act, entitled "An act for the relief of sick and disabled seamen," to be made within the state wherein the same shall have been collected, or within the state next adjoining thereto, excepting what may be collected in the states of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut; any thing in the said act contained to the contrary thereof, notwithstanding

Manner of expending monies collected.

1802, ch. 51.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy shall be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to deduct, after the first day of September next, from the pay thereafter to become due, of the officers, seamen and marines of the navy of the United States, at the rate of twenty cents per month, for every such officer, seaman and marine, and to pay the same quarter annually to the Secretary of the Treasury, to be applied to the same purposes, as the money collected by virtue of the above mentioned act is appropriated.

Secretary of the Navy to deduct a certain sum from the pay of the navy.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the officers, seamen and marines of the navy of the United States, shall be entitled to receive the same benefits and advantages, as by the act above mentioned are provided for the relief of the sick and disabled seamen of the merchant vessels of the United States.

Officers, seamen, &c. of the navy entitled to the benefits of the act.

APPROVED, March 2, 1799.

STATUTE III.

CHAP. XXXVII .- An Act authorizing an augmentation of the Marine Corps.

March 2, 1799.

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 shall be, and he is hereby authorized to cause the marine corps in the service of the United States to be augmented, by the appointment and enlistment of not exceeding two first lieutenants, six second lieutenants, eight sergeants, one hundred and seventy privates and eighteen drums and fifes, who shall be respectively allowed the same pay, bounty, clothing and rations, and shall be employed under the same rules and regulations to which the said marine corps are or shall be entitled and subject.

See act of July 11, 1798, ch. 72.

APPROVED, March 2, 1799.

STATUTE III.

CHAP. XXXVIII.—An Act to augment the Salaries of the Officers therein mentioned.

March 2, 1799. [Obsolete.]

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in lieu of the salaries heretofore allowed by law to the officers of the government of the United States, herein mentioned, the following annual com-

1802, ch. 25.

(a) An act for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, July 16, 1798, chap. 77. $Vol.\ I.-92$

pensations be, and are hereby granted to the said officers respectively, from the commencement of the present year; that is to say.

The Secretary of State, five thousand dollars.

The Secretary of the Treasury, five thousand dollars.

The Secretary of War, four thousand five hundred dollars.

The Secretary of the Navy, four thousand five hundred dollars.

The Attorney General, three thousand dollars.

The Comptroller of the Treasury, three thousand five hundred dollars.

The Treasurer, three thousand dollars.

The Auditor of the Treasury, three thousand dollars.

The Commissioner of the Revenue, three thousand dollars.

The Register of the Treasury, two thousand four hundred dollars.

The Accountant of the War department, two thousand dollars.

The Accountant of the Navy department, two thousand dollars.

The Postmaster General, three thousand dollars.

And the Assistant Postmaster General, one thousand seven hundred Which sums shall be respectively paid, quarterly, at the treasurv of the United States.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this act shall continue in

force for three years, and no longer.

APPROVED, March 2, 1799.

STATUTE III.

March 2, 1799.

CHAP. XXXIX .- An Act to erect a Beacon on Boon Island.

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, under the direction of the President of the United States, be authorized, as soon as may be, to cause a beacon or monument to be erected on a ledge of rocks, called Boon Island, on the seacoast of the district of Maine; and that the sum of four hundred dollars be appropriated for the same, out of any monies in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 2, 1799.

STATUTE III.

March 2, 1799.

1806, ch. 41. Compensations of clerks in the departments of state, treasury, war, and the navy, may be varied, so as not to exceed limited sums.

CHAP. XL .- An Act to regulate and fix the Compensation of Clerks.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretaries of the Treasury, State, War and Navy departments, shall be, and hereby are authorized and empowered, to vary the compensations heretofore established for clerks in their respective departments, in such manner as the services to be performed shall, in their judgment, require; any thing in any former act to the contrary notwithstanding. always, that the whole amount of compensations for clerks, in the said departments, respectively, shall not exceed the following sums; that is to say: For the department of State, five thousand, nine hundred and fifty dollars: For the Treasury department, forty-two thousand, six hundred and twenty dollars, and thirty-four cents, that is to say, in the office of the Secretary of the treasury, five thousand, eight hundred and thirtynine dollars, and eighty-one cents; in the office of the comptroller of the treasury, nine thousand and sixty-seven dollars, and eight cents; in the office of the auditor of the treasury, eight thousand, eight hundred and ten dollars, and ninety-three cents; in the office of the treasurer of the United States, two thousand, eight hundred and seventeen dollars and forty-five cents; in the office of the commissioner of the revenue, two thousand, eight hundred and forty-three dollars, and six cents; and in the office of the register of the treasury, thirteen thousand, two hundred and forty-two dollars, and one cent: For the department of War,