

pensions 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 dollars. Which sums shall be respectively paid, quarterly, at the treasury 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.

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

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.

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. *Provided 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 thirty-nine 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,

fifteen thousand, three hundred and forty dollars, that is to say; in the office of the secretary of the said department, six thousand, three hundred and forty dollars; in the office of the accountant of the said department, eight thousand, five hundred dollars; and in the office of the purveyor of public supplies, five hundred dollars: For the department of the Navy, eleven thousand, one hundred dollars; that is to say; in the office of the secretary of the department of the navy, four thousand two hundred dollars; and in the office of the accountant of the navy department, six thousand, nine hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster General of the United States shall be, and hereby is authorized and empowered to appoint such number of clerks in his office, as he shall judge proper, and to apportion and vary their compensations in such manner as the services to be rendered by each, shall in his judgment require: *Provided always*, that the whole amount of compensations for clerks in the said office, shall not exceed the sum of four thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars, annually; which sum shall be paid quarterly, out of the revenues of the post-office.

Clerks in the office of Postmaster General.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the director of the mint shall be, and hereby is authorized to allow to one of the clerks employed in his office, the sum of two hundred dollars per annum, in addition to the salary of five hundred dollars, heretofore established for the clerks in the said office.

Additional compensation allowed to one of the clerks in the mint.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be allowed to the secretary and accountant of the Navy department respectively, in the settlement of their accounts, the following sums for deficiencies in the provisions made by law for their clerks during the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight; that is to say; to the said secretary, eight hundred and eighty-seven dollars, and twenty-nine cents; and to the said accountant, one hundred and eighty-eight dollars, and thirty-two cents.

Deficiencies allowed in the navy department.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be allowed to the commissioners of loans in the states of Massachusetts and New York, respectively, not exceeding five clerks, at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum each; to the commissioner of loans in the state of Connecticut, not exceeding two clerks, at the rate of four hundred dollars per annum each; to the commissioners of loans in the states of Pennsylvania, Virginia and South Carolina, respectively, not exceeding two clerks, at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum each; the aggregate of the compensations for clerks employed by either of the said commissioners, to be apportioned among them at his discretion: And that there be annually allowed in lieu of clerk hire, to the commissioner of loans in the state of New Hampshire, three hundred and fifty dollars; to the commissioner of loans in the state of Rhode Island, four hundred dollars; to the commissioner of loans in the state of New Jersey, three hundred dollars; and to the commissioner of loans in the state of Maryland, two hundred and fifty dollars.

Clerks and clerk hire to the commissioners of loans.

APPROVED, March 2, 1799.

STATUTE III.

CHAP. XLII.—*An Act to revive and continue in force, certain parts of the "Act for the relief and protection of American seamen," and to amend the same.*

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 first, second and third sections of the act, intituled "An act for the relief and protection of American seamen," shall be and hereby are revived and continued in force for one year.

Parts of the act revived.
1796, ch. 36.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of State shall be, and hereby is required to lay before Congress, within ten days after

Duty of the Secretary of State.