

For the discharge of such miscellaneous claims against the United States, not otherwise provided for, as shall have been admitted in due course of settlement at the treasury, four thousand dollars.

Specific appropriations.

For defraying the expenses authorized by the eleventh section of the act of March the second, eighteen hundred and eleven, entitled "An act for establishing trading houses with the Indian tribes," to be drawn annually by the President of the United States, for the payment of agents, assistant agents and clerks, including the sum of eleven thousand sixty-two dollars and fifty cents, which had accrued by said act, for the year eighteen hundred and eleven, twenty-five thousand eight hundred and twelve dollars and seventy-six cents.

1811, ch. 30.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the several appropriations herein before made, shall be paid and discharged out of the fund of six hundred thousand dollars, reserved by an act making provision for the debt of the United States, and out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 26, 1812.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XXXIV.—*An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury, under the direction of the President of the United States, to purchase of Winslow Lewis, his patent right to the new and improved method of lighting Lighthouses, and for other purposes.*

March 2, 1812.

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 and empowered, under the directions of the President of the United States, to purchase of Winslow Lewis, his patent right to the plan of lighting lighthouses, by reflecting and magnifying lanterns, if the same shall be proved to be a discovery made by him; and to contract with the said Winslow Lewis, for fitting up and keeping in repair, any or all the lighthouses in the United States or the territories thereof, upon the new and improved plan of the reflecting and magnifying lanterns; or to contract with the said Winslow Lewis, for such sum as he may think for the interest of the United States: *Provided*, the sum so to be allowed, shall not in any case annually exceed the appropriation made for supplying the lighthouse establishment with oil in any given year, which has passed for a term not exceeding seven years, the said Lewis covenanting, with sufficient sureties, to fit up and keep in repair all the lighthouses in the United States or territories thereof, on the new and improved plan of lighting lighthouses by reflecting and magnifying lanterns; and the same to furnish and keep in repair for a term of years not less than seven, at the sole expense of the said Winslow Lewis, and to deliver over at the expiration of the term aforesaid, all the lighthouses fitted up according to the new and improved plan, to the United States in good repair, he, the said Winslow Lewis, warranting the same to remain in good repair for seven years more, from and after the expiration of the said contract.

Secretary of the Treasury authorized to purchase Winslow Lewis' patent right for lighting lighthouses.

The sum to be allowed for lighting not to exceed the annual appropriation for the last seven years.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That a sum not exceeding sixty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to carry this law into effect.

Appropriation.

APPROVED, March 2, 1812.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XXXV.—*An Act supplementary to "An act providing for the accommodation of the General Post-Office and Patent Office, and for other purposes."*

March 7, 1812.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General, under the direction of the President of the United States, be authorized

[Obsolete.]
Act of April 28, 1810, ch. 34.
Postmaster-General, under

direction of the President, authorized to repair and finish the Great Hotel for the accommodation of the post-office department and patent office.

When these offices are to be removed.

Appropriation.

to repair and finish, in a suitable manner for the accommodation of the post-office department and the patent office, the two stories of the building purchased for the government, by authority of the aforesaid act, being the first and second stories, including also sundry repairs on the outside and in the garret of said building, upon the principles stated in the report of the Postmaster-General, dated January fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That as soon as the repairs can be properly made, and before the commencement of the next annual session of Congress, the general post-office and the city post-office shall be removed to said public building.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purpose of completing the aforesaid work, there be appropriated, from any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of thirteen thousand two hundred and forty-seven dollars and sixty-one cents, including the sum of two thousand three hundred dollars, now in the treasury, and also the sum of one thousand three hundred and ninety-three dollars and seventy cents, now in the hands of Thomas Munroe, superintendent of the city of Washington, being unexpended balances of the sum of twenty thousand dollars, authorized by the act of April twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and ten, to which this act is a supplement.

APPROVED, March 7, 1812.

STATUTE I.

March 10, 1812.

[Obsolete.]

Board of commissioners', west of Pearl river, accounts to be settled and paid.

CHAP. XXXVI.—*An Act for the relief of the Board of Commissioners west of Pearl river.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers at the treasury be, and they are hereby directed to audit and settle the accounts of the board of commissioners west of Pearl river, in the Mississippi territory, and to allow each of them the sum of six dollars per day for every day's actual attendance on the board, subsequent to the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and six, except for the eighty-four days, already provided for.

APPROVED, March 10, 1812.

STATUTE I.

March 10, 1812.

[Obsolete.]

Appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars in addition to former appropriations.

CHAP. XXXVII.—*An Act making a further appropriation for the defence of our Maritime Frontier.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of five hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, in addition to the sums already appropriated, for the purposes of fortifying and defending the maritime frontier of the United States; and that the same be paid out of any monies in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 10, 1812.

STATUTE I.

March 10, 1812.

Act of Feb. 27, 1813, ch. 38.

Further time given for registering claims in the land-office at Opelousas.

CHAP. XXXVIII.—*An Act giving further time for registering claims to land in the western district of the territory of Orleans.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That every person or persons claiming lands in the western district of the territory of Orleans, who are actual settlers on the land which they claim, and whose claims have not been heretofore filed with the register of the land-office, for the said district, shall be allowed until the first day of November next, to deliver notices in writing, and the written evidences of their claims to the register of the land-office at Opelousas; and the notices and evidences so