

VI. To seamen, ordinary seamen, marines, and all other persons doing duty on board, seven twentieths.

VII. Whenever one or more public ships or vessels are in sight at the time any one or more ships are taking a prize or prizes, they shall all share equally in the prize or prizes, according to the number of men and guns on board each ship in sight.

No commander of a fleet or squadron shall be entitled to receive any share of prizes taken by vessels not under his immediate command; nor of such prizes as may have been taken by ships or vessels intended to be placed under his command, before they have acted under his immediate orders; nor shall a commander of a fleet or squadron, leaving the station where he had the command, have any share in the prizes taken by ships left on such station, after he has gone out of the limits of his said command.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That a bounty shall be paid by the United States, of twenty dollars for each person on board any ship of an enemy at the commencement of an engagement, which shall be sunk or destroyed by any ship or vessel belonging to the United States of equal or inferior force, the same to be divided among the officers and crew in the same manner as prize money.

Bounty given
in certain cases.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That every officer, seaman, or marine, disabled in the line of his duty, shall be entitled to receive for life, or during his disability, a pension from the United States according to the nature and degree of his disability, not exceeding one half his monthly pay.

Pensions to
persons dis-
abled in the ser-
vice.

SEC. 9. *And be it [further] enacted*, That all money accruing, or which has already accrued to the United States from the sale of prizes, shall be and remain forever a fund for the payment of pensions and half pay, should the same be hereafter granted, to the officers and seamen who may be entitled to receive the same; and if the said fund shall be insufficient for the purpose, the public faith is hereby pledged to make up the deficiency; but if it should be more than sufficient, the surplus shall be applied to the making of further provision for the comfort of the disabled officers, seamen, and marines, and for such as, though not disabled, may merit by their bravery, or long and faithful services, the gratitude of their country.

Appropriation
of the part of
captured pro-
perty belong-
ing to the United
States.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the said fund shall be under the management and direction of the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Secretary of War, for the time being, who are hereby authorized to receive any sums to which the United States may be entitled from the sale of prizes, and employ and invest the same, and the interest arising therefrom, in any manner which a majority of them may deem most advantageous. And it shall be the duty of the said commissioners to lay before Congress, annually, in the first week of their session, a minute statement of their proceedings relative to the management of said fund.

Management
of the navy fund.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the act passed the second day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, intituled "An act for the government of the navy of the United States," from and after the first day of June next, shall be, and hereby is repealed.

Repeal of the
former act.

1799, ch. 24.

APPROVED, April 23, 1800.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XXXIV.—*An Act respecting the Mint.*(a)

April 24, 1800.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That a sum

(a) See an act to establish the mint, &c., April 13, 1792, chap. 16, and the note, Vol. i. 246.

Appropriation
for the purchase
of copper.

Act of May 8,
1792, ch. 39.

equal to the amount of the cents and half cents, which shall have been coined at the mint, and delivered to the treasurer of the United States, subsequent to the third day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, shall be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of copper for the further coinage of cents and half cents; and that a sum equal to the amount of cents and half cents, which shall be hereafter coined at the mint, and delivered to the treasurer of the United States in any one year, shall be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the annual purchase of copper for the coinage of cents and half cents, which sums shall be payable out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Part of bullion
deposited, to be
retained for the
expense of re-
fining.

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SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be retained from every deposit in the mint, of gold or silver bullion below the standard of the United States, such sum as shall be equivalent to the expense incurred in refining the same, and an accurate account of such expense on every such deposit shall be kept, and of the sums retained on account of the same, which shall be accounted for by the treasurer of the mint, with the treasury of the United States.

APPROVED, April 24, 1800.

STATUTE I.

April 24, 1800.

[Obsolete.]

Act of June
5, 1794, ch. 50.

CHAP. XXXV.—*An Act to continue in force the act in addition to the act for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an act passed on the fifth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, intituled, "An act in addition to the act for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States," and which by the tenth section thereof was limited to continue in force for and during the term of two years from passing the same, and from thence to the end of the next session of Congress thereafter, and no longer; and which said act was, by an act passed on the second day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, intituled "An act to continue in force for a limited time, the act in addition to the act for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States," further continued in force for two years from the said second day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, and from thence to the end of the next session of Congress thereafter, shall continue and be in force without limitation of time, any thing in any act to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPROVED, April 24, 1800.

STATUTE I.

April 24, 1800.

[Obsolete.]

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CHAP. XXXVI.—*An Act to repeal the act laying Duties on mills and implements employed in the manufacture of Snuff.*

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, intituled "An act to alter and amend the act, intituled 'An act laying certain duties upon snuff and refined sugar,'" passed on the third day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, as imposes a duty upon mills and implements employed in the manufacture of snuff, or allows a drawback upon the exportation of snuff manufactured within the United States, shall be, and the same hereby is repealed.

APPROVED, April 24, 1800.