

rant or certificate that no warrant has been issued for the same in virtue of the act of March 3, 1803, ch. 33.

Act of March 1, 1800.

warrant has been issued for the same claim to military bounty land, and by virtue of the second section of the act, intituled "An act to revive and continue in force an act in addition to an act intituled An act in addition to an act regulating the grants of land appropriated for military services, and for the society of the United Brethren for propagating the gospel among the heathen, and for other purposes," approved the third day of March, eighteen hundred and three.

APPROVED, March 19, 1804.

#### STATUTE I.

March 19, 1804.

CHAP. XXVII.—*An Act providing for the expenses of the Civil Government of Louisiana.*

[Obsolete.]  
Monies received for duties or taxes in Louisiana to be accounted for and paid into the treasury, as other monies.

Appropriations for defraying the expenses incurred in taking possession of, and holding Louisiana till a new government thereof shall be established.

To be expended under the direction of the 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 all the monies which have been, or which shall be received by any officer of the United States, on account of duties or taxes within the territories ceded by the French Republic to the United States, by the treaty of the thirtieth of April, eighteen hundred and three, shall be paid into the treasury, and accounted for in the same manner as other public monies.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That for the purpose of making a reasonable compensation to the person or persons, in whom the powers of civil government, heretofore exercised by the officers of the said territories under the Spanish and French governments, have been vested by the President of the United States, and also for defraying the other civil expenses of the said territories, from the time when possession of the same was obtained by the United States, to the time when a form of government shall, under the authority of Congress, be established therein, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the President of the United States, and to be accounted for as other public monies, shall be, and the same hereby is appropriated, to be paid out of any monies in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 19, 1804.

#### STATUTE I.

March 19, 1804.

CHAP. XXVIII.—*An Act for the relief of the sufferers by fire, in the town of Norfolk.*

[Obsolete.]  
Bonds given for duties, where the obligors have sustained losses by the fire, to be cancelled, and new ones with further indulgence to the debtors, to be taken by the collector.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all persons who, being indebted to the United States for duties on merchandise, have given bond therefor with one or more sureties, payable to the collector for the district of Norfolk and Portsmouth, and who have suffered a loss of property by the late conflagration at the town of Norfolk, shall be, and they hereby are allowed to take up, or have cancelled, all bonds heretofore given for duties as aforesaid, upon giving to the collector new bonds, with one or more sureties to the satisfaction of the said collector, for the sums of their former bonds respectively, payable in twelve months from and after the day of payment specified in the bonds to be taken up or cancelled, as aforesaid; and the said collector is hereby authorized and directed to give up or cancel all such bonds, upon the receipt of others, as described in this act; which last-mentioned bonds shall be proceeded with in all respects, like other bonds which are taken by collectors for duties due to the United States: *Provided, however,* that nothing in this act contained shall extend to bonds which had fallen due before the nineteenth day of February last.

APPROVED, March 19, 1804.