## ACTS OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS

OF THE

## UNITED STATES,

Passed at the third session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the 5th day of December, 1842, and ended the 3d day of March, 1843.

JOHN TYLER, President of the United States. WILLIE P. MANGUM, President of the Senate, pro tempore. JOHN WHITE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### STATUTE III.

Dec. 24, 1842.

[Obsolcte.]

Appropriations for the half year ending 30th June 1843.

Congress.

Officers of the Senate and H. of Reps.

Expenses of Senate. Expenses of H. of Reps.

Library of Congress.

Contingent expenses. Purchase of books.

President of United States.

State Department. Secretary, &c.

Contingent expenses. Laws.

N. E. executive building.

Contingent expenses. CHAP. II. — An Act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of Government for the half calendar year ending the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-three.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and hereby are, appropriated to the objects hereinafter expressed, for the half calendar year ending on thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-three, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, namely:

For compensation and mileage of Senators and members of the House of Representatives and Delegates from the Territories, three hundred and sixty-six thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight dollars.

For compensation of the officers and clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives, twenty thousand two hundred and seventy-four dollars.

For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the Senate, thirty-five thousand dollars.

For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

For compensation of the principal and two assistant librarians, and messenger of the library of Congress, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said library, four hundred dollars.

For purchase of books of [for] said library, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For purchase of law books for said library, five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the President of the United States, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

Department of State.—For compensation of the Secretary of State, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his department, thirteen thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For incidental and contingent expenses of said department, including publishing and distributing the laws, twelve thousand six hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the superintendent and three watchmen of the northeast executive building, six hundred and seventy-two dollars and fifty cents.

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:

For labor, six hundred dollars;

For fuel and light, seven hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars.

Treasury Department.—For compensation of the Secretary of the T Treasury, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his pai office, thirteen thousand nine hundred and twenty-five dollars.

For compensation of the First Comptroller, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, eleven thousand four hundred and <sup>t</sup> seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the Second Comptroller, and the clerks and messenger in his office, seven thousand six hundred and twenty-five <sup>th</sup> dollars.

For compensation of the First Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, nine thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the Second Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, ten thousand seven hundred and five dollars and ' forty-nine cents.

For compensation of the Third Auditor, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nineteen thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the Fourth Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, ten thousand and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the Fifth Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, seven thousand four hundred dollars.

For compensation of the Treasurer of the United States, and the clerks and messenger in his office, six thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the Register of the Treasury, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, fourteen thousand three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the recorder, solicitor, draughtsman, assistant draughtsman, clerks, messengers, and packers, in his office, forty-nine thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the Solicitor of the Treasury, and the clerks and messenger in his office, six thousand two hundred dollars.

For the incidental and contingent expenses of the Treasury Department, viz. :

In the office of the Secretary of the Treasury:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For newspapers and periodicals, fifty dollars;

For labor, seventy-five dollars;

For extra clerk hire, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For printing, (including the printing of the public accounts,) one

thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars;

For sealing ship registers, fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars;

For translating foreign languages, seventy-five dollars;

In the office of the First Comptroller:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;

For labor, two hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For extra clerk hire, two hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars;

In the office of the Second Comptroller:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred and fifty dollars;

For labor, one hundred dollars;

For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars;

Treasury Department. Secretary, &c.

First Comptroller, &c.

Second Comptroller, &c.

Ist Auditor, &c.

2d Auditor, &c.

3d Auditor, &c.

4th Auditor, &c.

5th Auditor, &c.

Treasurer,&c.

Register, &c.

Commiss'rs of General Land Office, &c.

Solicitor, &c.

Contingent expenses.

Office of the Secretary.

First Comp-

troller.

Second Comp troller.

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| 1st Auditor.                     | To the office of the Triant Architere  |
| Ist Additor.                     | In the office of the First Auditor:<br>For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dol-                |
|                                  | lars;  |
|                                  | For labor, one hundred dollars;  |
|                                  | For extra clerk hire, one hundred dollars;<br>For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;                                      |
| 2d Auditor.                      | In the office of the Second Auditor:   |
|                                  | For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and fifty dol-   |
|                                  | lars;<br>For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;   |
|                                  | For extra clerk hire, one hundred and fifty dollars;   |
| _                                | For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;  |
| 3d Auditor.                      | In the office of the Third Auditor:<br>For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and fifty dol-                |
|                                  | lars;  |
|                                  | For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;  |
|                                  | For extra clerk hire, one hundred and fifty dollars;<br>For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;                            |
| 4th Auditor.                     | In the office of the Fourth Auditor :  |
|                                  | For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;   |
|                                  | For labor, twenty-five dollars;  |
|                                  | For extra clerk hire, fifty dollars;<br>For printing, twenty dollars;  |
|                                  | For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars;  |
| 5th Auditor.                     | In the office of the Fifth Auditor:  |
|                                  | For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and twenty-<br>five dollars;   |
|                                  | For labor, sixty-two dollars and fifty cents;  |
|                                  | For extra clerk hire, twenty-five dollars;   |
| Treasurer.                       | For miscellaneous items, sixty-two dollars and fifty cents;<br>In the Treasurcr's office:                                  |
|                                  | For miscellaneous items, one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and  |
|                                  | fifty cents;   |
| Solicitor.                       | In the Solicitor's office:<br>For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dol-                         |
|                                  | lars;  |
|                                  | For labor, fifty dollars;  |
| Register.                        | For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars;<br>In the Register's office:  |
| 9                                | For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;  |
|                                  | For labor, one hundred and seventy-five dollars;   |
|                                  | For printing, two hundred and fifty dollars;<br>For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars;                             |
| General Land                     | In the General Land Office:  |
| Office.                          | For blank books, binding, stationery, and parchments, six thousand   |
|                                  | dollars;<br>For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars;  |
|                                  | For printing, two thousand dollars;  |
|                                  | For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars;   |
| S. E. execu-<br>tive building.   | For compensation of the superintendent and eight watchmen of the   |
| Contingent                       | southeast executive building, one thousand seven hundred dollars;<br>For contingent expenses of said building, viz.:       |
| expenses.                        | For labor, one thousand one hundred dollars;   |
|                                  | For fuel and light, one thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars;  |
| War Depart-<br>ment.             | For miscellaneous items, eight hundred and fifty dollars.<br>War Department.—For compensation of the Secretary of War, and |
| Secretary.                       | the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nine thou-  |
| Commissioner<br>of Ind. affairs, | sand six hundred and seventy-five dollars.   |
| &c.                              | For compensation of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and the  |

clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nine thousand seven hundred dollars.

For compensation of the Commissioner of Pensions, and the clerks and messengers in his office, seven thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerk and messenger in the office of the Commanding General, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Adjutant General, three thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars; For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the

Quartermaster General, three thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Paymaster General, three thousand five hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of clothing and equipage at Philadelphia, two thousand one hundred dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence, two thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Chief Engineer, two thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Surgeon General, one thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Colonel of Ordnance, four thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars:

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the bureau of Topographical Engineers, two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the superintendent and four watchmen of the northwest executive building, eight hundred and fifty-five dollars;

For contingent expenses of the War Department, viz:

In the office of the Secretary of War:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;

For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars:

For printing, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, two hundred and seventy-five dollars;

For books, maps, and plans, five hundred dollars.

For extra clerk hire, one thousand five hundred dollars.

In the office of Commissioner of Indian affairs:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars; For labor, twenty-five dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and seventy-five dollars. In the office of the Commissioner of Pensions:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dol-

lars;

For printing, two hundred dollars;

For fuel, seventy-five dollars;

For miscellaneous items, two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

In the office of the Commanding General:

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

In the office of the Quartermaster General:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For labor, fifty dollars;

For printing, fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars.

In the office of the Chief Engineer:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars; For printing, fifty dollars;

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Commissioner of Pensions,&c.

Office of Commanding General. Adjutant Gen-

eral. Quartermas-

ter General.

Paymaster General.

Clothing and Equipage.

Comm'y Gen. of Subsistence.

Chief Engineer.

Surgeon General.

Colonel of • Ordnance.

Topographical Engineers.

N.W. executive building. Contingent expenses. Office of the Secretary.

Commissioner of Ind. Affairs.

Commissioner of Pensions.

Commanding General.

Quartermaster General.

Chief Engineer. Colonel of Ordnance.

Topographical Engineers.

N.W. executive building.

Navy Department. Secretary's office.

Bureau of Navy-yards and Docks. Bureau of

Construction, Equipment and Repair.

Bureau of Provisions and Clothing.

Bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography.

Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

S.W. executive building.

Contingent expenses.

Post Office Department. Postmaster General, &c.

Contingent expenses. For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

In the office of the Colonel of Ordnance:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars: For printing, fifty dollars.

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

In the Bureau of Topographical Engineers:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars; For labor, fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars.

For the northwest executive building :

For labor, two hundred dollars;

For fuel and light, one thousand dollars;

For miscellaneous items, eight hundred dollars.

Navy Department.—For compensation of the Secretary of the Navy, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nine thousand six hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For contingent expenses of said office, including blank books, binding, stationery, extra clerk hire, printing, labor, miscellaneous items, and newspapers and periodicals, two thousand three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Navy-yards and Docks, and the draughtsman, clerks, and messenger, in his office, four thousand two hundred dollars.

For the contingent expenses of the bureau of Navy-yards and Docks, two hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Construction, Equipment, and Repair, and the assistant constructor, clerks, and messenger, in his office, four thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, including blank books, stationery, printing, labor, and miscellaneous items, two hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Provisions and Clothing, and the clerks and messenger in his office, three thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, including blank books, stationery, binding, and miscellaneous items, two hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography, and the draughtsman, clerks, and messenger, in his office, four thousand seven hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, two hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and the clerks and messenger in his office, two thousand six hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, including blank books, binding, stationery, and miscellaneous items, four hundred and fifty dollars. For compensation of the superintendent and three watchmen of the

southwest executive building, six hundred and sixty-cight dollars.

For contingent expenses of said building, viz :

For labor, one hundred and sixty-two dollars;

For fuel and lights, six hundred and seventy-five dollars;

For miscellaneous items, five hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Post Office Department.—For compensation of the Postmaster General and the three Assistant Postmasters General, and the clerks, messenger, and three assistant messengers, and two watchmen, of the Post Office Department, thirty-seven thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said department, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars; For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars; For fuel and oil, one thousand five hundred dollars; For printing, two hundred dollars;

For labor, four hundred dollars;

For one day watchman, one hundred and eighty dollars;

For compensation of temporary clerks, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the Auditor for the Post Office Department, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, forty-two thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said office, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars;

For printing blanks, four hundred dollars;

For labor, five hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.

Surveyors and their Clerks.—For compensation of the surveyor general northwest of the Ohio, and the clerks in his office, four thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Illinois and Missouri, and the clerks in his office, two thousand nine hundred and ten dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Arkansas, and the clerks in his office, two thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Louisiana, and the clerks in his office, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Mississippi, and the clerks in his office, three thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Alabama, and the clerks in his office, two thousand dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Florida, and the clerks in his office, two thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Wisconsin and Iowa, and the clerks in his office, one thousand five hundred and fifty dollars. For compensation of the secretary to sign patents for public lands,

seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the Commissioner of Public Buildings in Washington city, and the three assistants, as draw-keepers at the Potomac bridge, including oil, fire wood, and repairs, two thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars.

United States Mint and Branches.—For compensation of the officers and workmen of the mint at Philadelphia, viz:

For the director, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For the treasurer, one thousand dollars;

For the chief coiner, one thousand dollars;

For the assayer, one thousand dollars;

For the melter and refiner, one thousand dollars;

For the engraver, one thousand dollars;

For the assistant assayer, six hundred and fifty dollars;

For four clerks, two thousand two hundred dollars;

For wages to workmen, twelve thousand dollars;

For specimens of ores and coins to be reserved at said mint, three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at Charlotte, in North Carolina, viz:

For the superintendent, one thousand dollars;

For the assayer, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For the coiner, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For the clerk, five hundred dollars;

For wages to workmen, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at Dahlonega, in Georgia, viz:

For the superintendent, one thousand dollars;

Auditor, &c.

Contingent expenses.

Surveyors and their clerks. North-west of the Ohio.

Illinois and Missouri. Arkansas.

Louisiana.

Mississippi.

Alabama.

Florida.

Wisconsin and Iowa.

Secretary to sign patents for lands.

Commissioner of public buildings.

Mint and branches. Mint at Philadelphia—officers.

Workmen. Specimens.

Branch mint at Charlotteofficers.

Workmen.

Branch mint at Dahlonegaofficers. For the assayer, seven hundred and fifty dollars; For the coiner, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For the clerk, five hundred dollars;

For wages to workmen, one thousand four hundred and forty dollars. For incidental and contingent expenses of said branch, including fuel, materials, stationery, taxes and wastage of gold, six hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at New Orleans, viz:

For the superintendent, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For the treasurer, one thousand dollars;

For the coiner, one thousand dollars;

For the assayer, one thousand dollars;

For the melter and refiner, one thousand dollars;

For two clerks, one thousand two hundred dollars;

For wages to workmen, ten thousand dollars.

For incidental and contingent expenses of said branch, including fuel, materials, stationery, and wastage of gold and silver, eight thousand dollars.

Governments in the Territories of the United States.—For compensation of the officers of Wisconsin Territory, viz.: For Governor, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars; for three judges, two thousand seven hundred dollars; for secretary, six hundred dollars;

For contingent expenses of said Territory, one hundred and seventyfive dollars;

For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, pay of officers, printing, stationery, fuel, furniture, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, nineteen thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars;

For compensation of the officers of Iowa Territory, viz.:

For Governor, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For three judges, two thousand seven hundred dollars;

For secretary, six hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said Territory, one hundred and seventyfive dollars.

For compensation of the officers of the Florida Territory, viz:

For Governor, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For five judges, four thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars,

For secretary, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said Territory, one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Council of said Territory, pay of officers, stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, including the private secretary of the executive office, twenty-seven thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Judiciary.—For compensation of the officers of the Judiciary, viz : For the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, two thousand five hundred dollars;

For eight associate judges of said court, eighteen thousand dollars; For the district judge of Maine, nine hundred dollars;

For the district judge of New Hampshire, five hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Massachusetts, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of Vermont, six hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Rhode Island, seven hundred and fifty dollars; For the district judge of Connecticut, seven hundred and fifty dollars; For the district judge of New York, northern district, one thousand dollars;

Workmen. Contingent expenses.

Branch mint at New Orleansofficers.

Workmen.

Contingent expenses.

> Territories. Wisconsin. Governor. Judges. Secretary.

Contingent expenses.

Legislative Assembly.

Iowa. Governor. Judges. Secretary. Contingent expenses. Florida.

Governor. Judges. Secretary. Contingent expenses.

Legislative Council.

Judiciary. Chief justice.

Associate judges. District judges. For the district judge of New York, southern district, one thousand District judges. seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of New Jersey, seven hundred and fifty dollars, For the district judge of Pennsylvania, eastern district, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of Pennsylvania, western district, nine hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Delaware, seven hundred and fifty dollars; For the district judge of Maryland, one thousand dollars:

For the district judge of Virginia, eastern district, nine hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Virginia, western district, eight hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Kentucky, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of Tennessee, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of Ohio, five hundred dollars;

For the district judge of North Carolina, one thousand dollars;

For the district judge of South Carolina, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of Georgia, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of Louisiana, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Mississippi, one thousand dollars;

For the district judge of Indiana, five hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Illinois, five hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Alabama, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of Missouri, six hundred dollars;

For the district judge of Michigan, seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For the district judge of Arkansas, one thousand dollars;

For the chief justice of the District of Columbia, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;

For the two associate judges of said District, two thousand five hundred dollars;

For the judge of the Criminal Court of said District, one thousand dollars;

For the judge of the Orphans' Court of Washington county, in said District, five hundred dollars;

For the judge of the Orphans' Court of Alexandria county, in said District, five hundred dollars;

For the Attorney General of the United States, and the clerk and messenger in his office, and the contingent expenses thereof, three thousand dollars;

For the reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, six hundred and fifty dollars.

For the district attorney of Maine, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of New Hampshire, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Massachusetts, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Vermont, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Rhode Island, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Connecticut, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of New York, northern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of New Jersey, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Pennsylvania, eastern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Pennsylvania, western district, one hundred dollars.

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Judges of District Columbia.

Attorney General, &c.

Reporter of SupremeCourt. District attorneys. District attorneys. For the district attorney of Delaware, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Maryland, one hundred dollars. For the district attorney of Virginia, eastern district, one hundred

dollars. For the district attorney of Virginia, western district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Tennessee, eastern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Tennessee, western district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Tennessee, Jackson district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Kentucky, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Ohio, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of North Carolina, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of South Carolina, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Georgia, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Louisiana, eastern district, three hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Louisiana, western district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Mississippi, northern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Mississippi, southern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Indiana, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Illinois, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Alabama, northern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Alabama, southern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Missouri, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Michigan; one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Arkansas, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Florida, eastern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Florida, middle district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Florida, western district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Florida, southern district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Florida, Appalachicola district, one hundred dollars.

For the district attorney of Wisconsin, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

For the district attorney of Iowa, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Maine, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of New Hampshire, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Vermont, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Rhode Island, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Connecticut, one hundred dollars. For the marshal of the district of New York, northern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of New Jersey, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Pennsylvania, western district, one hundred dollars.

Marshals.

For the marshal of the district of Delaware, one hundred dollars. For the marshal of the district of Virginia, eastern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Virginia, western district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of North Carolina, two hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Kentucky, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Ohio, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Tennessee, eastern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Tennessee, western district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Tennessee, Jackson district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Louisiana, eastern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Louisiana, western district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Mississippi, southern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Mississippi, northern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Indiana, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Illinois, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Alabama, northern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Alabama, southern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Missouri, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Michigan, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Arkansas, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Florida, eastern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Florida, middle district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Florida, western district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Florida, southern district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Florida, Appalachicola district, one hundred dollars.

For the marshal of the district of Wisconsin, one hundred dollars. For the marshal of the district of Iowa, one hundred dollars.

For defraying the expenses of the supreme, circuit, and district courts of the United States, including the District of Columbia; also, for jurors and witnesses, in aid of the funds arising from fines, penalties and forfeitures, incurred in the year eighteen hundred and forty-three, and preceding years; and likewise for defraying the expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, and of prosecutions for offences committed against the United States, and for the safe-keeping of prisoners, including expenses under the bankrupt law, two hundred and thirty-eight thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.-Annuities and grants:

To Josiah H. Webb, twenty-five dollars;

To Rachel Dohrman, one hundred and fifty dollars;

To Elizabeth C. Perry, two hundred dollars;

For compensation of the two keepers of the public archives in Florida, Keepers of Flo five hundred dollars;

Expenses of the Supreme, Circuit and District Courts, &c.

Miscellaneous. Annuities and grants.

rida archives.

Marshals.

Exploring expedition.

Penitentiary of D. C.

Sick and disabled seamen.

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Custom-house at Boston.

Miscellaneous claims.

Proviso.

Light-house establishment. Light-houses.

Floating lights, &c.

Buoys, &c.

Annual examination.

Superintendents' commissions. Foreign intercourse.

Ministers.

Secretaries of Legation.

Chargés des affaires.

Minister to Turkey. Drogoman.

Expenses of missions, &c.

Consul at London. Relief, &c. of Am. seamen. For expenses attending the preparation of the results and account of the exploring expedition for the publication thereof ordered by Congress, twenty thousand dollars.

For the support and maintenance of the penitentiary of the District of Columbia, six thousand six hundred and ninety dollars and eightyfour cents.

To make good a deficiency in the eighteen months ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and forty-three, and estimated deficiency in the year ending on the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and fortyfour, in the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, as established by the act of the third of May, eighteen hundred and three, [two,] fifty-eight thousand five hundred dollars.

For carrying on the work of the new custom-house building at Boston, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For the discharge of such miscellaneous claims, not otherwise provided for, as shall be admitted in due course of settlement at the treasury, six thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be expended in the payment of any claims for finishing and furnishing the new custom-house in the city of New York.

Light-house Establishment.—For supplying the light-houses, containing two thousand six hundred and seventy-eight lamps, with oil, tube glasses, wicks, buffskins, whiting, and cotton cloth, transportation, and keeping apparatus in order, fifty-two thousand five hundred and ninety-five dollars and fifteen cents.

For repairs, refitting, and improvements of light-houses, and buildings connected therewith, thirty-eight thousand six hundred and thirtythree dollars and one cent.

For compensation of two hundred and thirty-six keepers of lighthouses, eighteen of them being charged with double lights, and one with three, forty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine dollars.

For compensation of thirty keepers of floating lights, eight thousand dollars.

For seamens' wages, repairs, and supplies of thirty floating lights, thirty-one thousand five hundred and thirty-six dollars and fourteen cents.

For weighing, mooring, cleansing, repairing, and supplying the loss of beacons, buoys, chains, and sinkers, ten thousand four hundred and fifty-six dollars and fourteen cents.

For expenses of examining annually and reporting the condition of the light-houses, four thousand dollars.

For superintendents' commissions, at two and one half per cent., four thousand eight hundred and four dollars and seventy-three cents.

Intercourse with Foreign Nations.—For salaries of the ministers of the United States to Great Britain, France, Russia, Prussia, Austria, Spain, Mexico, and Brazil, thirty-six thousand dollars.

For salaries of the secretaries of legation to the same places, eight thousand dollars.

For salaries of the charges des affaires to Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, Belgium, Chili, Peru, Venezuela, New Grenada, Texas, Naples, and Sardinia, twenty-seven thousand dollars.

For salary of the minister resident to Turkey, three thousand dollars. For salary of a drogoman to the legation to Turkey, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For the contingent expenses of all the missions abroad, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the contingent expenses of foreign intercourse, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the salary of the consul at London, one thousand dollars.

f For the relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries, twenty-five thousand dollars.

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For clerk hire, office rent, and other expenses of the office of the American consul at London, one thousand four hundred dollars.

For the expenses of intercourse with the Barbary Powers, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That, in case the sum appropriated for any object of contingencies should be found more than sufficient to meet the expense thereby contemplated, the surplus may be applied, under the direction of the head of the proper department, to supply the deficiency of any other item in the same department or office: *Provided*, That the expenditure for newspapers and periodicals shall not exceed the amount specifically appropriated to that object by this act, except in the State Department.

APPROVED, December 24, 1842.

#### CHAP. III.—An Act to amend the act establishing a district court of the United States at Wheeling, Virginia. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter two annual terms of the district court for the western district of Virginia be holden at the city of Wheeling, commencing on the twenty-fifth March and the twenty-fifth of October, in lieu of the one term of the said district court now directed to be held at Wheeling.

APPROVED, January 20, 1843.

#### CHAP. IV .- An Act to continue the office of Commissioner of Pensions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the office of Commissioner of Pensions shall be, and the same is hereby continued until the fourth of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That a Commissioner of Pensions shall be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the consent of the Senate, and that he shall execute, under the direction of the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, such duties in relation to the various pension laws as may be prescribed by the President: and also such duties in relation to the laws granting military bounty lands as may be assigned to him by the Secretary of War with the sanction of the President.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioner shall receive an annual salary of two thousand five hundred dollars, and shall have the privilege of sending and receiving letters and packets by mail free of postage.

APPROVED, January 20, 1843.

# CHAP. XX.—An Act to re-enact and continue in operation the several acts now in force for the relief of insolvent debtors of the United States. (b)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled, "An act to extend for a longer period the several acts now in force for the relief of insolvent debtors of the United States," approved the twenty-seventh May, eighteen hundred and forty, and the several acts therein mentioned, shall be, and the same are hereby, re-enacted and continued in force for three years from and after the expiration of the said first-mentioned act, and until the cases which may be depending

Expenses of consulate at London. Barbary powers.

Any surplus for contingencies may be applied to supply deficiencies. Proviso.

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Hereafter two annual terms to be held.

STATUTE III.

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1835, ch. 46. 1837, ch. 43. 1840, ch. 4. 1849, ch. 20. Office continued until 4th March 1846. A commissioner to be appointed—his duties. 1846, ch. 4.

Salary, &c. Act of March 3, 1845, ch. 43, sec. 6.

STATUTE III. Jan. 28, 1843.

Acts continued for 3 years, &c. Act of May 27, 1840, ch. 26.

(a) See notes of the acts relating to the District Courts of Virginia, vol. 3, 479.
(b) See notes to the act of March 2, 1831, chap. 62.

when such first-mentioned act shall expire shall be determined, for the purpose of finally disposing of such cases, and for no other purpose. APPROVED, January 28, 1843.

STATUTE III. Feb. 4, 1843.

Secretary of War to cause

them to be paid.

CHAP. XXVI.—An Act for the payment of seven companies of Georgia militia, for services rendered in the years eighteen hundred and forty and eighteen hundred and forty-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War cause to be paid the companies of Captains Johnson, Henderson, Knight, Jones, and North, for services rendered in the year eighteen hundred and forty, according to the muster-rolls of said companies, now on file in the War Department, made out and verified by Captain J. Brown, of the United States army; and that he cause to be paid, also, the companies of Captains Jernigan and Sweat, for services rendered in the year eighteen hundred and forty-one, according to the muster-rolls of said companies, now on file in the War Department, as verified by Assistant Adjutant General W. W. S. Bliss, of the United States army; and that the laws and regulations applicable to the payment of the volunteers and militia of the United States govern in the payment of these companies; and that the sum of nineteen thousand three hundred and ninety-nine dollars and eighty-seven cents be, and hereby is, appropriated for the purpose of making said payments, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 4, 1843.

CHAP. XXVII.—An Act making appropriations for pensions for the half calendar year beginning the first day of January and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty four. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of pensions for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four:

For invalid pensions for the said half calendar year, eighty-six thousand two hundred and forty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one hundred and fifty-eight thousand four hundred dollars.

For revolutionary pensions under the act of the eighteenth March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, for the said half calendar year, seventeen thousand six hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one hundred and ninety-two thousand dollars.

For pensions to widows and orphans, under the act of fourth of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, for the said half calendar year, four thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year two hundred and twenty-two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

For five years' pensions to widows, under the act of seventh of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, for the said half calendar year, ten thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

(a) An act to define and establish the fiscal year of the treasury of the United States, Aug. 26, 1842, chap. 207.

Invalid pensions.

Revolutionary pensions. 1818, ch, 19.

Pensions to widows and orphans. 1836, ch. 362.

Five years' pensions to widows. 1838, ch. 189.

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Appropriation.

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[Obsolete.]

For arrearages prior to July, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, payable through the Third Auditor, for the said half calendar year, one thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand dollars.

For arrearages and half pay pensions, through the Second Auditor, for the said fiscal year, five hundred dollars.

For half pay pensions, payable through the Third Auditor, for the said fiscal year, three thousand dollars.

APPROVED, February 14, 1843.

## CHAP. XXX.-An Act to amend the charter of the town of Alexandria.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Mayor of the town of Alexandria shall hereafter be annually elected, by ballot, by the citizens qualified to vote for members of the Common Council of the said town; and that the votes for Mayor shall be taken by the Commissioners appointed to superintend the election for members of the Common Council in the several wards of the said town, under the same laws and regulations as now govern the election of members of the Common Council, and at the same time and places appointed therefor, excepting so far as may by this act be otherwise hereinafter directed; and the Commissioners for all the wards, or a majority of the Commissioners for each ward, shall meet on the day after the said election at the Council Chamber in the town of Alexandria, or at such other fit and convenient place as the Common Council may, from time to time, direct, and then and there add and compare the votes given for Mayor in their respective wards, and the individual having the highest number of votes for the office of Mayor, shall be declared by the Commissioners so assembled to be duly elected; and they shall make out a certificate thereof, and cause the same to be delivered to the person elected, and a duplicate thereof to the Clerk of the Common Council; and if two or more persons voted for as Mayor shall have an equal and the highest number of votes, the Commissioners shall certify that fact, with the names of such persons, to the President or Chairman of the Common Council, whereupon the Common Council shall proceed to elect the Mayor from among those who received the equal and highest number of votes, in the manner now provided by law.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners, before they shall receive any vote for Mayor, shall, in addition to the oath or affirmation now required of them by law, severally take an oath or affirmation, truly and faithfully to receive and count the votes of such persons as are by law entitled to vote for Mayor of Alexandria in ward No. ——, and not knowingly to receive the vote of any person for Mayor who is not legally entitled to the same, which oath shall be administered by the Mayor, or any justice of the peace for the county of Alexandria.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That on the refusal of any person elected to the office of Mayor of Alexandria, in the mode prescribed in the foregoing sections, to accept the same, or on the death, resignation, inability, or removal of any person filling such office of Mayor of Alexandria, the Common Council of said town shall proceed to elect another person to fill said office for the remainder of the year.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the first election under this act shall be held at the time when the members of the Common Council of Alexandria are elected next after this act goes into effect: *Provided*, *however*, That nothing in the foregoing sections contained, shall in any wise alter, change, or affect the powers, duties, qualifications, or term of service of the Mayor of said town of Alexandria, as now provided by law, except so far as the same may be in conflict with this enactment.

APPROVED, February 15, 1843.

Arrearages and half-pay pensions.

STATUTE III.

Feb. 15, 1843.

Vol. 2, 255, Election of the Mayor.

Commissioners of election to take an additional oath.

In case of vacancy, the Common Council to make the election.

Time of the first election. Proviso. limiting the effect of this act. CHAP. XXXI. - An Act to authorize the chief clerk in the office of the Secretary

of State to frank public and official documents sent from that office.

STATUTE III.

#### Feb. 15, 1843.

[Obsolete.]

Franking privilege granted. Act of March 3, 1845, ch. 43, sec. 6.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the right and privilege of franking all public and official documents, that may be sent from the office of the Secretary of State, be, and hereby is, granted to the chief clerk in that office.

CHAP. XXXII. - An Act to change the place of holding the circuit and district

courts in the district of Maine. (a) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the term of the

circuit court of the United States, for the district of Maine, heretofore

held at Wiscasset, in and for said district, on the first day of October.

shall hereafter be held at Portland, in said district, on the first day of October, and that all writs, pleas, and recognizances and indictments, and all other proceedings, both civil and criminal, pending in said

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Circuit court to be held at Portland on 1st October.

Proviso.

District court to be held at Portland on first Tuesday of February. And at Bangor on fourth Tuesday of June.

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#### STATUTE III.

Feb. 15, 1843.

Authority to provide for the sale of school lands, &c.

Proviso.

Apportionment of the proceeds.

court, shall be returnable to and have day and be heard, tried, and proceeded in at Portland, in the same manner as they might have been done at Wiscasset, had the place of holding said court not been changed : Provided, however, if the first day of October happen on Sunday, then the court shall be held on the second day of said month. SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the term of the district court of the United States for the district of Maine, heretofore held at Wiscasset, on the fourth Tuesday of February, shall hereafter be held at Portland on the first Tuesday of February, and that the term of said court heretofore held at Portland on the first Tuesday of June, shall hereafter be held at Bangor in said district, on the fourth Tuesday of

APPROVED, February 15, 1843.

CHAP. XXXIII.—An Act to authorize the Legislatures of the States of Illinois, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Tennessee, to sell the lands heretofore appropriated for the use of schools in those States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Legislatures of Illinois, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Tennessee, be, and they are hereby, authorized to provide by law for the sale and conveyance in fee simple, of all or any part of the lands heretofore reserved and appropriated by Congress for the use of schools within said States, and to invest the money arising from the sales thereof in some productive fund, the proceeds of which shall be forever applied, under the direction of said Legislatures, to the use and support of schools within the several townships and districts of country for which they were originally reserved and set apart, and for no other use or purpose whatever: Provided, Said land, or any part thereof, shall in no wise be sold without the consent of the inhabitants of such township or district, to be obtained in such manner as the Legislatures of said States shall by law direct; and in the apportionment of the proceeds of said fund, each township and district shall be entitled to such part thereof, and no more, as shall have accrued from the sum or sums of money arising from the sale of the school lands belonging to such township or district.

(a) District Court of Maine, vol. 3, 413. Notes of the acts relating to the circuit court of the district of Maine, vol. 3, 773.

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SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Legislatures of said States be, and they are hereby, authorized to make such laws and needful regulations as may be deemed expedient to secure and protect from injury or waste, the sections reserved by the laws of Congress, for the use of schools, to each township, and to provide by law, if not deemed expedient to sell, for leasing the same for any term not exceeding four years, in such manner as to render them productive, and most conducive to the object for which they were designed.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That if the proceeds accruing to any township or district from said fund, shall be insufficient for the support of schools therein, it shall be lawful for said Legislatures to invest the same in the most secure and productive manner, until the whole proceeds of the fund belonging to such township or district shall be adequate to the permanent maintenance and support of schools within the same: *Provided*, That the Legislatures aforesaid shall, in no case, invest the proceeds of the sale of the lands in any township in manner aforesaid, without the consent of the inhabitants of said township or district, to be obtained as aforesaid.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That any sales of such lands, reserved as aforesaid, as have been made in pursuance of any of the laws enacted by the Legislatures of said States, and not inconsistent with the principles of this act, are hereby ratified and confirmed so far as the assent of the United States to the same may be necessary to the confirmation thereof.

APPROVED, February 15, 1843.

CHAP. XXXIV.—An Act for the relief of the owners of the fund received from the British Government as an indemnily for slaves lost from on board the Comet and Encomium at Nassau, Bahamas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of seven thousand nine hundred and sixty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents, a balance of the indemnities received from the British Government for loss of slaves from on board the Comet and the Encomium, at Nassau, paid into the treasury by the late John Forsyth, be paid, on the order of the Secretary of State, to the persons or companies entitled thereto, or to their representatives; and that, for that purpose, the aforesaid sum be, and it is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 18, 1843.

CHAP. XLIV.—An Act altering the times of holding the circuit court of the United States for the district of Connecticut.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the circuit court of the United States for the district of Connecticut, shall hereafter be held on the fourth Tuesday in April, and on the third Tuesday in September in each year, instead of the last Wednesday in April, and the seventeenth day of September, the times heretofore established by law. And all indictments, informations, recognisances, writs, suits, pleas, actions, motions, and all other proceedings, civil and criminal, shall be heard, tried, proceeded with, and determined by the said court, in the same manner as they might and ought to have been done, had the said court been holden at the times heretofore directed by law.

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Authority to make laws for protection of said lands, &c.

In case of insufficiency of said proceeds to support schools, authority to invest them until adequate.

Proviso.

Such sales as have been made not inconsistent with the principles of this act, confirmed.

STATUTE III. Feb. 18, 1843. [Obsolete.]

Balance of indeminities to be paid to persons or companies entitled thereto.

STATUTE III. Feb. 24, 1843.

Changed to fourth Tuesday in April, and third Tuesday in September.

All proceedings to go on as heretofore.

#### STATUTE III.

Feb. 24, 1843. 1850, ch. 17.

Act of 17th March, 1800, ch. 15, so far as relates to Maryland, revived and continued to 1st June,

Proviso.

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#### STATUTE III.

Feb. 27, 1843.

Act of Feb. 13, 1837, ch. 14. Duties of melter and refiner transferred from the assayer to the coiner in the branch mints at Dahlonega and Charlotte.

#### STATUTE III.

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The appropriation for Ocracoke hospital not to revert to the surplus fund.

1842, ch. 265.

#### STATUTE III.

March 1, 1843.

Act of 16th July, 1798, ch. 77, extended to the coasting trade. Act of July 20, 1840, ch. 48. Act of Feb. 12, 1842, ch. 3. Measures to be taken to collect hospital

money.

CHAP. XLV.—. An Act to continue in force an act therein mentioned, relating to the port of Baltimore.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act passed the seventeenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred, entitled "An act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the States of Maryland and Georgia," and which by subsequent acts has been revived and continued in force until the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, be, and the same, so far as it relates to the act of the State of Maryland, is hereby revived and continued in force until the first day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall authorize the demand of a duty on tonnage on vessels propelled by steam employed in the transportation of passengers.

APPROVED, February 24, 1843.

CHAP. XLVI.—An Act amendatory of an act establishing the branch mint at Dahlonega, Georgia, and defining the duties of assayer and coiner.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an act passed the thirteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven, to amend an act entitled "An act to establish branches of the mint of the United States," passed the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, be, and it is hereby, altered and amended so as to transfer the duties of melter and refiner from the assayer to the coiner at the branches of Dahlonega in Georgia, and of Charlotte in North Carolina, respectively, and that all laws and parts of laws conflicting with this act be, and they are hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, February 27, 1843.

CHAP. XLVII. — An Act to amend an act entitled "An act making an appropriation for the erection of a marine hospital at or near Ocracoke, North Carolina."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of ten thousand dollars, appropriated by an act entitled "An act making an appropriation for the erection of a marine hospital at or near Ocracoke, North Carolina," shall not revert to the surplus fund at the expiration of two years from and after the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and forty-four, anything in the act of March third, seventeen hundred and ninety-five, to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPROVED, February 27, 1843.

CHAP. XLIX. — An Act amendatory of "An act for the relief of sick and disabled seamen."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions and penalties of the act of the sixteenth of July, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, entitled "An act for the relief of sick and disabled seamen," be, and the same hereby are, extended to the masters, owners and seamen of registered vessels employed in carrying on the coasting trade; and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to issue such instructions to the collectors of the various ports as shall secure the collection of hospital money from said seamen, masters and owners.

APPROVED, March 1, 1843.

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#### STATUTE III.

CHAP. L. - An Act to perfect the titles to lands south of the Arkansas river, held under New Madrid locations, and pre-emption rights under the act of one thousand eight hundred and fourteen [fifteen]. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the locations heretofore made of warrants issued under the act of the seventeenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the late county of New Madrid, in Missouri Territory, who suffered by earthquakes" of those locations which were made on the south side of the Arkansas river, if made in pursuance of the provisions of that act in other respects, shall be perfected into grants. in like manner as if the Indian title to the lands on the south side of said river had been completely extinguished at the time of the passage of said act.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That in all cases in which the locations so made on the south side of the Arkansas river may have been sold, and the lands thus located under the act aforesaid have been appropriated by the United States, the owner of the warrants issued under the provisions of the act aforesaid shall have a right to enter. within twelve months after the passage of this act, without payment, the like quantity of the public lands, of any of the unappropriated and unimproved lands in the State of Arkansas, corresponding with the legal subdivisions.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That every settler on the public lands south of the Arkansas river shall be entitled to the same benefits accruing under the provisions of the pre-emption act of one thousand fits of pre-empeight hundred and fourteen [fifteen], as though they had resided north of said river.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That all Cherokee pre-emptions which have been or may be located upon any of the surveyed lands of the United States, south of the base line in Arkansas, shall be confirmed, and patents shall issue thereon as in other cases.

CHAP. LI. - An Act in relation to the two per cent. fund of the State of Missis-

sippi.

United States of America in Congress assembled, That the assent of

Congress is hereby given to the appropriation, by the State of Missis-

sippi, to the completion of the railroad from Brandon to Jackson, of

the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, as a part of the two per cent.

fund heretofore relinquished by Congress to said State; and that the

two per cent. fund now in the Treasury of the United States, to enter

any public lands in said State, subject to private entry, and in the name

and on behalf of said State, to be held subject to the same trusts and

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the

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March 1, 1843.

Certain locations of warrants, issued under act of 17th February, 1815, ch. 45, perfected. Act of April 26, 1822, ch. 40. Act of May 26, 1824, ch. 173. Act of May 24, 1828, ch. 90. Owners of warrants authorized to enter other lands, in certain cases.

Settlers south of the Arkansas entitled to benetion act of 1815, ch. 45.

Certain Cherokee pre-emptions confirmed.

STATUTE III.

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[Obsolete.]

Assent of Congress to the appropriation of part of the two per cent. fund to Brandon and Jackson rail-Governor of said State be, and he is hereby, authorized, with the said road. Governor of Mississippi authorized to enter land with the two per

cent. fund.

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purposes of said fund.

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a) Under the act of February 17, 1815, chap. 45, New Madrid certificates could be located upon lands before they were offered at public sale under a proclamation of the President, or even surveyed by the public surveyor. Barry v. Gamble, 3 Howard, 32. The act of April 26, 1822, chap. 40, recognised locations of this kind, although they disregarded the

sectional lines by which the surveys were afterwards made. Ibid.

STATUTE III.

March 1, 1843.

[Obsolete.]

Appropriations.

Pay.

Subsistence of officers.

Forage of officers' horses.

Clothing for discharged soldiers and officers' servants.

Subsistence.

Clothing, &c.

Supplies in Quartermaster's departm't. Barracks, &c.

Fort Severn.

Quartermaster's departm't.

1819, ch. 45.

CHAP. LII. — An Act making appropriations for the support of the army and of the military academy, and for armories, arsenals, arms and munitions of war, and surveys, for the half calendar year ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same hereby are, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the army and of the military academy, and for armories, arsenals, arms and munitions of war, and surveys, for the half calendar year, commencing on the first day of January, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fortyfour:

For pay of the army for said half calendar year, two hundred and fifty-eight thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven dollars and ninetytwo cents; and for said fiscal year, one million three hundred and thirteen thousand three hundred and seventy dollars.

For commutation of officers' subsistence for said half calendar year, one hundred and forty-nine thousand one hundred and seventy-three dollars and forty cents; and for said fiscal year, four hundred and sixtyone thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight dollars.

For commutation of forage for officers' horses for said half calendar year, thirty-one thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars and fifty-six cents; and for said fiscal year, one hundred and one thousand and thirty-five dollars.

For payments in lieu of clothing for discharged soldiers and officers' servants, for said half calendar year, twenty-nine thousand four hundred and fifteen dollars; and for said fiscal year, fifty-eight thousand eight hundred and thirty dollars.

For subsistence in kind for said fiscal year, four hundred and ninetyfive thousand four hundred and sixty-five dollars and sixty cents.

For clothing, camp and garrison equipage, for said fiscal year, one hundred thousand dollars.

For regular supplies in the quartermaster's department for said half calendar year, thirty thousand dollars; and for said fiscal year, one hundred and ninety-five thousand dollars.

For barracks, quarters, and storehouses, embracing the repairs and enlargement of barracks, quarters, storehouses, and hospitals; the erection of temporary cantonments and of gun-houses for the protection of cannon; the purchase of tools and materials and of furniture for the barrack rooms, rent of quarters for officers, of barracks for troops where there are no public buildings for their accommodation, of storehouses for the safe-keeping of subsistence, clothing, and other military supplies, and of grounds for summer cantonments and encampments for military practice, for said half calendar year, forty-five thousand dollars; and for said fiscal year, one hundred and five thousand dollars.

For arrearages for the completing quarters and barracks at Fort Severn, Maryland, nine thousand and twenty-nine dollars and fifty-three cents.

For the incidental expenses of the quartermasters' department, consisting of postage on public letters and packets, expenses of courts martial and courts of inquiry, including the additional compensation to judge advocates, members and witnesses; extra pay to soldiers under the act of March second, eighteen hundred and nineteen; expenses of expresses and of the interment of non-commissioned officers and soldiers; hire of laborers; compensation of clerks in the offices of the quartermasters and assistant quartermasters, at posts where their duties cannot be performed without such aid, and of temporary agents in charge of dismantled works; and to such wagon and forage masters as it may be necessary to employ under the act of the fifth of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight; expenditures necessary to keep the regiments of dragoons and the four companies of light artillery complete, including the purchase of horses to supply the place of those which may be lost and become unfit for the service, and the erection of stables, for said fiscal year, one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars.

For transportation of officers' baggage, when travelling on duty without troops, for said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.

For transportation of troops and supplies, viz : transportation of the army and baggage, freight and ferriages, purchase or hire of horses, mules, oxen, carts, wagons, and boats, for purposes of transportation or garrison use; drayage and cartage; hire of teamsters; transportation of funds for the Pay department; expense of transport vessels and of procuring water at such posts as from their situations require it; transportation of clothing from the depot at Philadelphia to the stations of the troops; of subsistence from the places of purchase and delivery, under contracts, to such points as the circumstances of the service may require; of ordnance, ordnance stores, and small arms, from the foundries and armories, to the arsenals, fortifications, and frontier posts, for said fiscal year, one hundred and seventy thousand dollars.

For the current expenses of ordnance service for the said fiscal year, eighty thousand dollars.

For armaments of fortifications, including compensation of a competent person to superintend the manufacture of cannon, for the said fiscal year, one hundred thousand dollars.

For ordnance and ordnance stores, for the said fiscal year, seventyfive thousand dollars.

For manufacture of arms at national armories, for the said fiscal year, three hundred thousand dollars.

For repairs, improvements, and new machinery, at Springfield armory, for the said fiscal year, twenty-six thousand five hundred dollars.

For repairs, improvements, and new machinery, at Harper's Ferry armory, for the said fiscal year, thirty-thousand five hundred dollars.

For arsenals for the said fiscal year, ninety thousand dollars. For purchase of saltpetre and brimstone for the said fiscal year, forty thousand dollars.

For completing the principal buildings of the arsenal at Charleston, South Carolina, for the said fiscal year, thirty-two thousand dollars.

For expenses of preparing drawings of artillery for the said fiscal year, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For surveys in reference to the military defences of the frontier, inland and Atlantic, for the said fiscal year, including a survey of the direct communication from Albemarle Sound to the Atlantic ocean, with a view to re-open a ship channel, fifteen thousand dollars.

For military and geographical surveys west of the Mississippi, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

For continuation of the surveys of the Northern and Northwestern lakes of the United States for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dolars.

For medical and hospital department, for said half calendar year, nine thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand dollars.

For continuing the meteorological observations at the military posts 3 A 2

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1838, ch. 162.

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supplies.

Ordnance service.

Fortifications, &c.

Ordnance and stores.

Manufacture of arms.

Springfield armory.

Harper's Ferry armory.

Arsenals. Saltpetre and

brimstone. Arsenal at

Charleston.

Drawings.

Surveys.

Medical and hospital department. Meteorological observations. of the United States, under the direction of the Surgeon General for said fiscal year, two thousand dollars.

For the continuation of improvements on the Missouri, Mississippi, Ohio and Arkansas rivers, for said half year, fifty thousand dollars; and for said fiscal year, one hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the support of the military academy for the half calendar year and for the fiscal year aforesaid.

For pay of officers, instructors, cadets, and musicians, for said half calendar year, thirty thousand two hundred and thirty-two dollars; and for the said fiscal year, sixty thousand four hundred and sixty-four dollars: *Provided*, That hereafter in all cases of appointments of cadets to the West Point Academy, the individual selected shall be an actual resident of the congressional district of the State or Territory, or District of Columbia, from which the appointment purports to be made: *And provided further*, That the number of cadets by appointments hereafter to be made, shall be limited to the number of the representatives and delegates in Congress, and one for the District of Columbia, and that each congressional and territorial district and District of Columbia, shall be entitled to have one cadet at said academy: *Provided*, That nothing in this section shall prevent the appointment of an additional number of cadets not exceeding ten to be appointed at large, without being confined to a selection by congressional districts.

For commutation of subsistence, for said half calendar year, nineteen thousand eight hundred and seventy-three dollars and eighty cents; and for the said fiscal year forty thousand and seventy-seven dollars.

for the said fiscal year, forty thousand and seventy-seven dollars. For commutation of iorage for officers' horses, for said half calendar year, two thousand five hundred and ninety-two dollars; and for said fiscal year, five thousand one hundred and eighty-four dollars.

For commutation of clothing for officers' servants, for said half calendar year, two hundred and ten dollars, and for said fiscal year, four hundred and twenty dollars.

For the various current and ordinary expenses of the academy, other than pay and subsistence, for said half calendar year, eleven thousand eight hundred and five dollars and ten cents; and for said fiscal year, twenty-four thousand nine hundred and forty-one dollars and twenty cents: *Provided*, That hereafter there shall not be a board of visiters appointed to visit the West Point Academy unless otherwise ordered by Congress.

For increase and expense of library, for said half calendar year, six hundred and fifty dollars; and for said fiscal year, one thousand three hundred dollars.

For construction of barracks for cadets for said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

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[Obsolete.] Act of Sept. 4, 1811, ch. 16. Bills of the Bank of Alabama receivable for lands, to the amount of the two per cent. fund unpaid. CHAP. LIII.—An Act regulating the mode of paying over to the State of Alabama the two per cent. fund relinquished to said State by the act approved on the fourth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the registers and receivers of public moneys at the different land offices in the State of Alabama be, and they are hereby, authorized and required, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, to take and receive from the actual settlers on the public lands in said State, in payment for their houses and improvements, entered by virtue of any of the pre-emption laws now in force, the bills of the Bank of the State of

Improvements on the western rivers.

Appropriation for the military academy.

Pay.

Provisoes relative to the appointment of cadets.

Subsistence.

Forage of officers' horses.

Clothing of officers' servants.

Current and ordinary expenses.

Proviso.

1846, ch. 96, § 2.

Library.

Barracks.

Alabama, or any of the branches thereof, to an amount equal to the amount of the two per cent. fund relinquished to this State by the Congress of the United States, remaining unpaid: Provided, That no settler shall be allowed to enter more than one quarter section of land with the bills of said bank, or either of them: And provided further, That the State of Alabama shall receive from the Government of the United States, in payment of said two per cent. fund, the bills of the Bank of the State of Alabama, and the several branches thereof, taken and received by the registers and receivers, as aforesaid, from the settlers aforesaid, in payment for their pre-emption claims: And provided further, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to change the terms, conditions, and limitations, annexed to the relinquishment of said fund to the said State, by the act aforesaid; but such terms, conditions, and limitations, shall apply and be in full force in reference to said fund, notwithstanding its payment in the mode provided by this act.

APPROVED, March 1, 1843.

CHAP. LXIX.—An Act regulating the currency of foreign gold and silver coins in the United States. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, the following foreign gold coins shall pass current as money within the United States, and be receivable, by weight, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the rates following, that is to say: the gold coins of Great Britain, of not less than nine hundred and fifteen and a half thousandths in fineness, at ninety-four cents and six-tenths of a cent per pennyweight; and the gold coins of France, of not less than eight hundred and ninety-nine thousandths in fineness, at ninety-two cents and nine-tenths of a cent per pennyweight.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, the following foreign silver coins shall pass current as money within the United States, and be receivable by tale, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the rates following, that is to say: the Spanish pillar dollars, and the dollars of Mexico, Peru, and Bolivia, of not less than eight hundred and ninety-seven thousandths in fineness, and four hundred and fifteen grains in weight, at one hundred cents each; and the five franc pieces of France, of not less than nine hundred thousandths in fineness, and three hundred and eighty-four grains in weight, at ninety-three cents each.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to cause assays of the coins made current by this act to be had at the mint of the United States, at least once in every year, and to make report of the result thereof to Congress.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXX. — An Act making appropriations for certain fortifications of the United States for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fortythree; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, for the preservation, repairs, and construction of certain fortifications, for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June,

Quantity of land to be entered by a settler.

Alabama to receive said bills in payment of the two per ct. fund.

Terms of the relinquishment not affected by this act.

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Certain gold coins of Great Britain and France to be current—their value fixed.

Silver coins of Spain, Mexico, Peru, Bolivia and France, also.

Assays of said coins to be made and reported to Congress.

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[Obsolete.]

Appropriations.

(a) Notes of the acts of Congress relating to the currency of foreign coins, vol. 2, 374.

one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fortythree, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four:

For repairs of Fort Independence and sea-wall, Castle Island, Boston Fort Indepenharbor, for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Fort Warren. For Fort Warren, Boston harbor, for the said half calendar year, twenty-five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.

Lovell's island. For sea-wall on Lovell's island, Boston harbor, for the said fiscal year, sixteen thousand dollars.

For Fort Adams, Rhode Island, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand dollars, and for the said fiscal year thirty thousand dollars.

Ft. Trumbull. For rebuilding Fort Trumbull, New London harbor, Connecticut, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, forty thousand dollars.

Fort Niagara. For repairs for Fort Niagara, New York, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort Ontario, New York, for the said half calendar Fort Ontario. year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

For Fort Schuyler, East river, New York, for the said half calendar Fort Schuyler. year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.

Fort Wood. For repairs of Fort Wood, Bedlow's island, New York harbor, New York, for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand dollars.

FortHamilton. For repairs of Fort Hamilton, New York harbor, New York, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort Washington, Potomac river, Maryland, for the Fort Washingsaid fiscal year, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For Fort Monroe, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, twentyfive thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort Macon, Beaufort harbor, North Carolina, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, seven thousand dollars.

For preservation of site of Fort Macon, Beaufort harbor, North Carolina, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirteen thousand dollars.

For repairs for Fort Caswell, Cape Fear river, North Carolina, for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

For dike to Drunken Dick shoal, for preservation of Sullivan's island and site of Fort Moultrie, South Carolina, for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

For Fort Sumter, Charleston harbor, South Carolina, for the said Fort Sumter. fiscal year, forty-five thousand dollars.

Fort Johnson. For preservation of site of Fort Johnson, South Carolina, for the said half calendar year, six thousand five hundred dollars. Fort Pulaski,

For Fort Pulaski, Georgia, for the said half calendar year, thirty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

Fort Pickens. For Fort Pickens, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calendar year, seven thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

Fort McRee. For Fort McRee, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calendar year, four thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four thousand dollars.

Ft. Barrancas.

For Fort Barrancas, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calen-

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Fort Macon.

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Drunken Dick shoal.

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dar year, twenty-five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirty-three thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort Morgan, Mobile point, Alabama, for the said half F calendar year, eight thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, ten thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort Dupre, Louisiana, for the said half calendar year, three thousand five hundred dollars.

For repairs of Fort Jackson, Mississippi river, Louisiana, for the said half calendar year, ten thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, ten thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort St. Philip, Mississippi river, Louisiana, for the I said half calendar year, five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, five thousand dollars.

For Fort Livingston, Grand Terre island, Barrataria bay, Louisiana, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

For repairing and rebuilding barracks at Fort Gibson at its present site, or in the vicinity thereof, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the completion of the works at Fort Smith, Arkansas, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand dollars.

For completion of barracks, quarters, and storehouses, at Fort Atkinson, Turkey river, for the said half calendar year, six thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, appropriated by the act of Congress, approved ninth of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, for defensive works, barracks, and other necessary buildings, and purchase of a site for depot at or near the junction of the Mattawamkeag and Penobscot rivers, Maine, may be applied to the purchase of a site and commencement of defensive works at or near the Narrows of the Penobscot, Maine.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

# CHAP. LXXI. — An Act declaring Robbinston in the State of Maine, to be a port of delivery.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the town of Robbinston, in the State of Maine, shall be a port of delivery, to be annexed to the district of Passamaquoddy, and shall be subject to the same regulations as other ports of delivery in the United States.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

#### CHAP. LXXII. — An Act to permit the entry of merchandise recovered from shipwreck, in certain cases, free from duty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any ship or vessel laden with merchandise, in whole or in part, subject to duty, shall be, or shall have been, sunk in any river, harbor, bay, or waters, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, and within its limits, and shall have remained so sunk for the period of two years, and shall be abandoned by the owners thereof, any person or persons who may raise such ship or vessel, shall be permitted to bring any merchandise recovered therefrom, into the port nearest to the place where said ship or vessel was so raised, free from the payment of any duty thereupon, and without being obliged to enter the same at the custom-house, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe.

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Fort Dupre.

Fort Jackson.

Fort St. Philip.

Ft.Livingston.

Fort Gibson.

Fort Smith.

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Narrows of the Penobscot.

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Robbinston made a port of delivery.

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### CHAP. LXXIII.-An Act to reduce the salary of the surveyor of the port of Camden, New Jersey.

Salary reduced.

Act to take effect from its passage. Acts repealed.

STATUTE III. March 3, 1843.

Act of May 5, 1830, ch. 89, Act of Jan. 13, 1831, ch. 1. Act of Jan. 18, 1839, ch. 3. Times of holding said courts changed.

In case of nonattendance of the district judge, circuit judge to hold court, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the salary of the surveyor of the port of Camden, in the State of New Jersey, shall be fixed at two hundred and fifty dollars per annum, besides the lawful fees allowed to surveyors.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXIV. - An Act to change the times of holding the circuit and district courts for the district of East Tennessee. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the circuit and district courts of the United States for the district of East Tennessee, shall hereafter be held on the third Mondays of April and October in each and every year, instead of the times now prescribed by law, under the same rules, in the same manner, and under the same regulations now prescribed for the holding of said courts.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That in case of the non-attend-ance from any cause of the district judge at either of the courts in either of the districts in the State of Tennessee, required or authorized to be held by him, the circuit judge whose circuit includes said districts may hold the same, and in addition to the jurisdiction now conferred on him, shall have and exercise the same jurisdiction and powers now conferred on said district judge.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

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fixed.

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Relative to the application of

the appropria-

tion for public

buildings and grounds.

repealed.

Acts inconsistent herewith

Buildings. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Uni-Compensation

ted States of America in Congress assembled, That the compensation of the Commissioner of Public Buildings shall be two thousand dollars per annum, and no more.

CHAP. LXXV.—An Act to fix the compensation of the Commissioner of Public

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That no portion of the appropriation for public buildings and grounds, or any improvement or alteration of the same, shall be applied to the payment of a clerk or clerks in the office of said commissioner, or of an architect, unless the same be expressly provided for in the act.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be, and the same hereby are, repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

STATUTE III.

March 3, 1843.

[Obsolete.]

Appropriations.

CHAP. LXXVI.—An Act making appropriations for the payment of navy pen-sions due on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in

(a) Circuit courts in Tennessee, vol. 2, 420, 477, 516, 693. District Courts in Tennessee, vol. 2, 273; act of 1839, chap. 3. Process in the Circuit Courts of East and West Tennessee, vol. 3, 661.

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the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of the navy pensions, which will become due on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

To pay the invalids now on the rolls, (and those who may be added during the first half year of one thousand eight hundred and forty-three,) on the said first day of July, twenty thousand dollars; and on the [said] first day of January, twenty thousand dollars.

To pay widows' pensions under the act of June thirty, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, (including not only those who are now on the rolls, but those who may be added for the first half year of one 1834, ch. 134. thousand eight hundred and forty-three,) on the said first day of July, three thousand dollars; and on the said first day of January, three thousand dollars.

To pay the claims of widows and orphans, under the act of March third, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, on the said first day of July, eight thousand dollars; and on the said first day of January, eight thousand dollars.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

#### CHAP. LXXVII.—An Act to set aside certain reservations of lands, on account of live oak in the southeastern district of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the reservations made by the United States in eighteen hundred and thirty-two, of lands situate in township thirteen, range twelve east; township fourteen, ranges twelve and thirteen east; township fifteen, range thirteen east; township sixteen, range sixteen east; and township seventeen, range sixteen east, in the southeastern district of Louisiana, on account of the live oak supposed to grow thereon, be set aside and annulled; and that any persons entitled to pre-emption under the existing laws, within the limits of the said townships, be admitted to make their proofs and complete their titles, in the same manner as if the reservations for live oak had not been made.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXVIII.—An act authorizing the sale of lands, with the improvements thereon erected by the United States, for the use of their agents, teachers, farmers, mechanics, and other persons employed amongst the Indians.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be sold all such dwellinghouses, churches, school-houses, workshops, and other buildings belonging to the United States, as have been, or hereafter shall be, erected for the use of their agents, teachers, farmers, mechanics, and other persons employed amongst the Indians, when the lands on which the same are erccted shall have become the property of the United States, and are no longer necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be sold, at his discretion, with each of such buildings mentioned in the preceding section of this act, a quantity of land not exceeding one section; and on the payment of the consideration agreed for, into the treasury of the United States by the purchaser, the said Secretary shall make, execute, and deliver, to the said purchaser, a title in fee simple for such lands and tenements.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

Pay of invalids.

Widows' pensions under act of June 30,

Claims of widows and orphans under the act of March 3, 1837.

STATUTE III.

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Act of March 2, 1833, ch. 67, sec. 3.

Certain reser-vations of lands for live oak set aside.

Right of preemption to said lands admitted.

STATUTE III. March 3, 1843.

Sale of buildings erected by U.S. for their agents, &c. among Indians, authorized.

Sale of land authorized with each building.

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CHAP. LXXIX.-An Act to repeal an act entitled "An act to extend the collection

district of Wiscasset."

STATUTE III.

March 3, 1843.

Act of 31st Aug. 1842, ch. 281, repealed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to extend the collection district of Wiscasset," passed August thirtyfirst, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, be, and the same is hereby, repealed. APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

March 3, 1843.

[Obsolete.]

CHAP. LXXX.—An Act making appropriations for fulfilling treaty stipulations WHAT, HAAA.—an act making appropriations for fugiting treaty scipitations with the various Indian tribes, and for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, for the half calendar year beginning the first day of January and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the likitieth day of June, one thou-sand eight hundred and forty-four, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, for the purpose of fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes, and of paying the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated :

For the fulfilment of the treaties with various Indian tribes, for the said half calendar year, seven hundred and twenty-three thousand seven hundred and eight dollars; and for the said fiscal year seven hundred and forty-nine thousand and sixty-five dollars.

For the payment of three drafts, drawn on the department by Governor Doty, for goods, provisions, and presents, procured and delivered by him to the Sioux Indians, while holding the treaty with them in one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and which treaty was rejected by the Senate, at its late session, for said half calendar year, thirteen thousand seven hundred and seventy-six dollars and forty-nine cents.

For the removal to the west of the Mississippi, of two hundred and fifty of the New York Indians of the Seneca, Cayuga, and Onondaga tribes, and for fulfilling other treaty stipulations with them : Provided. That so many are willing to emigrate, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand four hundred and seventy-seven dollars and fifty cents.

For current expenses of the Indian Department, for the said half calendar year, fifty-three thousand five hundred dollars, and including four hundred and fifty dollars paid by order of General Z. Taylor, for two white boys ransomed from the Camanche Indians; and for the said fiscal year, ninety-three thousand three hundred dollars.

For subsistence of the Choctaw claimants and their Indian witnesses during their attendance at the sittings of the commissioners appointed under the "Act to provide for the satisfaction of claims arising under the fourteenth and nineteenth articles of the treaty of Dancing Rabbit creek, concluded in September, one thousand eight hundred and thirty, fifteen thousand dollars.

For the removal of the Choctaws to the west of the Mississippi, sixtyseven thousand four hundred and ninety dollars.

For carrying into effect the treaty with the Chippewa Indians, concluded October fourth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, fiftyone thousand dollars.

Fulfilment of Indian treaties.

Holding treaty with the Sioux.

Removal of the New York Indians, &c.

Current expenses of the Indian Department.

Subsistence of Choctaw claimants and their witnesses. 1842, ch. 187.

Removal of the Choctaws. Chippewa treaty.

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For carrying into effect the treaty with the Sac and Fox Indians, concluded October eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, two hundred and ninety-nine thousand five hundred and sixty-six dollars and thirty-four cents.

For defraying the expenses of a negotiation with the Kanzas Indians, or other tribes on the waters of the Missouri river, for the purpose of obtaining a tract of land for the permanent and perpetual residence of the Sacs and Foxes, as stipulated in the second article of the treaty ratified February fifteenth eighteen hundred and forty-three, fifteen hundred dollars. And the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to pay out of the fund appropriated for "blacksmith's establishments," &c., by the act of the third March, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, the accounts due for blacksmith's work performed in pursuance of the treaty with the Six Nations, the sum of three thousand eight hundred and seventythree dollars and seven cents.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That, to satisfy contracts entered into in the month of August, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, by Major General Thomas S. Jesup, then commanding the army in Alabama, with the Creek tribe of Indians, the sum of twelve thousand dollars be, and the same hereby is appropriated, to be paid under the instructions of the Secretary of War to the Creek chiefs, Hopoethle Yoholo, Little Doctor, Mad Blue, Tuckebatchee Micco, Jim Boy, and Salka Hadjo, for the benefit of the said chiefs, and that portion of their subchiefs and warriors who served in Florida.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That for the purpose of settling and closing the accounts of disbursing agents in the Indian department, which were unsettled on the first day of January last, the President of the United States is hereby authorized to direct transfers to be made from such balances of moneys heretofore appropriated to carry into effect certain Indian treaties, or for any other object of expenditure connected with Indian relations, as may be no longer required for the several objects for which they were originally made, to the credit of any other head of Indian expenditure, under which balances accruing previous to the above date, remain due: *Provided*, That no such transfer shall be made unless it satisfactorily appear that the balances from which such transfers are authorized to be made are not necessary for the specific purpose of their original appropriation.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That for the purpose of settling and closing the accounts in the office of the Second Comptroller, for the expenditure of sums appropriated by an act approved June twelfth, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An act making appropriations for preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, and for arrearages for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-seven," and also by an act approved March third, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, entitled "An act making appropriations for preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, entitled "An act making appropriations for preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-nine," the President of the United States is hereby authorized to direct transfers to be made from any balances remaining under any of the specific heads of appropriation in said acts, which are not necessary for the purposes of their original appropriation, to any other head of appropriation contained in said acts, under which a deficiency may exist.

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Sac and Fox treaty.

Negotiation with the Kanzas, &c.

Blacksmiths' work under treaty with the Six Nations. 1839, ch. 71.

Contracts with the Creeks.

Settling acc'ts of disbursing agents in Indian Department.

Settling acc'ts in 2d Comptroller's office for expenditure of appropriations for preventing and suppressing Ind'n hostilities. Act of June 12, 1838, ch. 97. Act of March 3, 1839, ch. 93.

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[Obsolete.] Act of Aug 31, 1842, ch. 257. Reissue of treasury notes authorized.

Payment of interest on treasury notes.

1842, ch. 26.

Issue of stock in lieu of treasury notes authorized.

Act of April 15, 1842, ch. 26.

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Act of Aug.19, 1841, ch. 9. Bankrupt act repealed.

Proviso.

# CHAP. I.XXXI.—An Act authorizing the reissue of treasury notes and for other purposes. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when any outstanding treasury notes, issued in pursuance of the act of thirty-first August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, entitled "An act to limit the sale of public stock to par, and to authorize the issue of treasury notes, in lieu thereof, to a certain amount," or any previous act of Congress, shall, after the passage of this act, he redeemed at any time before the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fortyfour, the Secretary of the Treasury, should the wants of the public service require, may cause other notes, to the same amount, to be issued in place of such as may be redeemed, under the limitations and other provisions of the respective acts by which said notes were originally authorized and issued.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That, after maturity of the treasury notes issued under the said act of thirty-first August, or of this act, interest may be paid thereon, in the same manner as on treasury notes authorized previous to the fifteenth April last, under the ninth section of the act approved on that day, entitled "An act for the extension of the loan of one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and for an addition of five millions of dollars thereto, and for allowing interest on treasury notes due."

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That, in lieu of issuing the treasury notes in the manner authorized by the first section of this act, the President, if in his opinion it shall be for the interest of the United States so to do, may cause any of said notes now outstanding, to be redeemed and cancelled as they become due, if the Secretary of the Treasury cannot redeem them out of the funds in the treasury, by an issue of stock of the United States, for the amount thus redeemed, in the same form, for the same time, and under the same restrictions, limitations, and provisions, as are contained in an act approved April fifteen, eighteen hundred and forty-two, entitled "An act for the extension of the loan of eighteen hundred and forty-one, and for an addition of five million of dollars thereto, and for allowing interest on treasury notes due," except that no commissions shall be allowed or paid for the negotiation of such business; and except also that said stock so to be issued, shall be redeemable at a period not longer than ten years from the issue thereof.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

## CHAP. LXXXII. — An Act to repeal the bankrupt act.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved on the nineteenth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-one, be, and the same hereby is, repealed: Provided, That this act shall not affect any case or proceeding in bankruptcy commenced before the passage of this act, or any pains, penalties, or forfeitures, incurred under the said act; but every such proceeding may be continued to its final consummation in like manner as if this act had not been passed.

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CHAP. LXXXIII.—An Act making appropriations for the naval service for the half calendar year beginning the first day of January and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and are hereby, appropriated, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, for the naval service for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fortythree, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

For pay of commission, warrant, and petty officers and seamen, including the engineer corps of the navy, for the said half calendar year, one million four hundred and ninety-six thousand five hundred and eighty-four dollars and fifty cents; and for the said fiscal year, two million seven hundred and fifteen thousand eight hundred and eight dollars.

For pay of superintendents, naval constructors, and all the civil establishments of the several yards, for the said half calendar year, thirtysix thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, seventy-three thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars.

For provisions for the navy, including transportation, cooperage, and other expenses, for the said half calendar year, three hundred and sixtytwo thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine dollars and fifty cents; and for the said fiscal year, six hundred and twenty-three thousand six hundred and fifty-three dollars.

For clothing for the navy, including transportation and every other expense, to be reimbursed out of the sales of the clothing for the said half calendar year, three hundred and eighty thousand dollars.

For surgeons' necessaries, and appliances for the sick and hurt of the naval service, including the marine corps, for the said half calendar year, fifty-one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, and for the said fiscal year, forty-two thousand eight hundred and forty dollars, and for arrearages of preceding years, under this head, fifty thousand dollars.

For the increase, repair, armament, and equipment of the navy, and wear and tear of vessels in commission, for the said half calendar year, five hundred thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one million dollars.

For the support of Africans recaptured on the coast of Africa or elsewhere, and returned to Africa by the armed vessels of the United States, five thousand dollars.

For improvements and necessary repairs of the navy-yards, namely: For Portsmouth, New Hampshire, for the said half calendar year, fifteen thousand five hundred and ten dollars and forty cents; and for the said fiscal year, twenty-four thousand nine hundred dollars and seventy-six cents:

For Charlestown, Massachusetts, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand nine hundred and ninety-two dollars and seventy-cents; and for the said fiscal year, thirty-four thousand three hundred and seventy-nine dollars;

For Brooklyn, New York, for the said half calendar year, sixteen thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand four hundred dollars: And the Secretary of the Navy is hereby directed to cause an examination to be made of the expediency, practicability and probable expense of constructing a dry-dock in the harbor of New York upon the plan of using as an elevating power, the water of the

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Appropriations.

Pay of officers and seamen, including engineers.

Pay of superintendents, &c. at yards.

Provisions

Clothing.

Surgeons' necessaries, &c.

Repairs, &c.

Recaptured Africans.

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Dry-dock at New York. Croton aqueduct, and of sufficient capacity to rebuild or repair a seventy-four gun-ship, and to cause an examination of any other plan or plans of a dry-dock or floating-dock in said harbor, deemed worthy by the Secretary to be reported upon, and to report the result of such examination, with his opinion thereon, to the next session of Congress. And all further expenditures under the appropriations heretofore made for the dry-dock in said harbor shall be suspended until the first day of January next: and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars shall be, and the same hereby is, appropriated for the construction of a floating dry-dock at Pensacola, of capacity sufficient for the repair of frigates of the smaller class, and upon such plan as the Secretary of the Navy shall approve.

For Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for the said half calendar year, one thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand and seventy dollars;

For Washington, District of Columbia, for the said half calendar year, five thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four thousand eight hundred and fourteen dollars;

For Gosport, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, five thousand two hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, nine thousand three hundred and ten dollars;

Pensacola.

For Pensacola, Florida, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four thousand and forty-seven dollars;

For necessary repairs of hospital buildings and their dependencies, namely:

For Charlestown, Massachusetts, for the said half calendar year, one thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one thousand three hundred dollars;

For Brooklyn, New York, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand eight hundred and thirty-two dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars;

For Norfolk, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, two thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand dollars;

For Pensacola, Florida, for the said half calendar year, one thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand four hundred and forty-eight dollars and twenty-five cents;

For Philadelphia naval asylum, for the said half calendar year, nine hundred and forty-five dollars; and for the said fiscal year, three hundred and sixty-six dollars;

For necessary repairs of magazines, namely:

For Charlestown, Massachusetts, for the said half calendar year, five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, one thousand dollars;

For Brooklyn, New York, for the said half calendar year, three hundred and fifty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, three hundred and fifty dollars;

For Washington, District of Columbia, for the said half calendar year, two hundred and fifty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two hundred and fifty dollars;

For Norfolk, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, three hundred and fifty dollars; and for the said fiscal year, three hundred and fifty dollars;

c. For ordnance and ordnance stores for the navy and armed vessels on the northern lakes, for the said half calendar year, forty-eight thousand four hundred and twenty-two dollars and ninety-seven cents; and for the said fiscal year, ninety-six thousand eight hundred and forty-seven dollars and ninety-three cents;

For defraying the expenses that may accrue for the following purposes, viz.: For freight and transportation of materials and stores of

Dry dock at Pensacola.

Navy-yards at Philadelphia.

Washington.

Gosport.

Pensacola.

Hospitals at

Charlestown.

Brooklyn.

Norfolk.

Pensacola.

Philadelphia.

Magazines at Charlestown.

Brooklyn.

Washington.

Norfolk.

Urdnance,&c. on the lakes.

Miscellaneous expenses. every description; for wharfage and dockage; storage and rent; travelling expenses of officers and transportation of seamen; house rent to pursers, when duly authorized; for funeral expenses; for commissions. clerk hire, office rent, stationery, and fuel, to navy agents; for premiums and incidental expenses of recruiting; for apprehending deserters; for compensation to judge advocates; for per diem allowance to persons attending courts martial and courts of inquiry, or other services authorized by law; for printing and stationery of every description, and for working the lithographic press; for books, maps, charts, mathematical and nautical instruments, chronometers, models, and drawings; for the purchase and repair of fire engines and machinery connected therewith. and for other machinery for the repair of steam engines in navy-yards; for the purchase and maintenance of oxen and horses, and for carts, timber wheels, and workmen's tools of every description; for postage of letters on public service; for pilotage and towing ships of war; for assistance rendered to vessels in distress; for incidental labor at navyyards, not applicable to any other appropriation; for coal and other fuel, and for candles and oil for the use of navy-yards and shore stations, and for no other object or purpose whatever, for the said half calendar year, three hundred and thirty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For contingent expenses for objects not enumerated for the said half calendar year, one thousand five hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, three thousand dollars.

For printing and publishing the code of rules and regulations for the government of the navy, prepared by the Secretary of the Navy and Attorney General, in obedience to a resolution of the last session, in case the same should be ratified by Congress, one thousand dollars.

For defraying the expenses of the agencies for the inspection of hemp, authorized by a joint resolution of Congress, approved eighteenth February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, four thousand dollars: Provided, That all provisions and clothing, hemp, and other materials of every name and nature, for the use of the navy, and the transportation thereof, when time will permit, shall hereafter be furnished by contract by the lowest bidder as follows: the Secretary of the Navy shall advertise, once a week, for at least four weeks, in one or more of the principal papers published in the place where such articles are to be furnished for sealed proposals for furnishing such articles, or the whole of any particular class of articles, specifying in such advertisement the amount, quantity, and description of each kind of articles to be furnished, and all such proposals shall be kept sealed until the day specified in such advertisement for opening the same, when they shall be opened by or under the direction of the officer making such advertisement, in the presence of at least two persons; and the person offering to furnish any class of such articles, and giving satisfactory security for the performance thereof, under a forfeiture not exceeding twice the contract price in case of failure, shall receive a contract for furnishing the same; and in case the lowest bidder shall fail to enter into such contract and give such security within a reasonable time, to be fixed in such advertisement, then the contract shall be given to the next lowest bidder, who shall enter into such contract and give such security; and that all such bids or proposals shall be preserved and recorded, and reported to Congress at the commencement of every regular session; and the same shall contain a true and faithful abstract of all offers made, embracing as well those which are rejected as those which are accepted ; the said abstract shall embrace the names of the party or parties offering, the terms proposed, the sums demanded, and the length of time the agreement is to continue. And in case of a failure, to supply the articles or to perform the work, by the person entering into such con-

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Contingent expenses.

Printing navy regulations.

Expenses of hemp agencies.

Proviso: materials for the navy, &c. to be furnished by contract.

1847, ch. 48, § 2. 1848, ch. 121, § 11. tract, he and his sureties shall be liable for the forfeiture specified in such contract, as liquidated damages, to be sued for in the name of the United States, in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

Marine Corps.—For pay of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, privates, and servants serving on shore, and subsistence of officers of the marine corps, for the said half calendar year, ninetynine thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two hundred and one thousand four hundred and seventytwo dollars and fifteen cents.

For provisions for non-commissioned officers, musicians, privates, servants, and washerwomen, serving on shore, for the said half calendar year, nineteen thousand one hundred and twenty-eight dollars and eight cents; and for the said fiscal year, thirty-eight thousand six hundred and seventy-eight dollars and eighty cents.

For clothing for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand three hundred and forty-nine dollars; and for the said fiscal year, forty thousand six hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

For fuel for the said half calendar year, eight thousand one hundred and thirty-seven dollars and six cents; and for the said fiscal year, sixteen thousand two hundred and seventy-four dollars and twelve cents.

To keep barracks in repair, for rent of temporary barracks, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.

For transportation of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, and expenses of recruiting, for the said half calendar year, four thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, eight thousand dollars.

For military stores, pay of armorers, keeping arms in repair, accoutrements, ordnance stores, flags, drums, fifes, and other instruments for the band, for the said half calendar year, one thousand four hundred dollars; and for the said fiscal year, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said corps, viz: For freight, ferriage, toll, wharfage, and cartage; for per diem allowance for attending courts martial and courts of inquiry; compensation to judge advocates; house rent where there are no public quarters assigned; for per diem allowance to enlisted men on constant labor; expenses of burying deceased marines; printing, stationery, forage, postage on public letters, expenses in pursuit of deserters, candles, oil, straw, barrack furniture, bed sacks, spades, axes, shovels, picks, carpenters' tools, and for keeping a horse for the messenger, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars; and for the said fiscal year, seventeen thousand nine hundred and eighty dollars.

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#### STATUTE III.

#### March 3, 1843.

#### [Obsolete.]

Appropriation for constructing electro-magnetic telegraph.

Payment of Prof. Morse, and others. CHAP. LXXXIV.—An Act to test the practicability of establishing a system of electro-magnetic telegraphs by the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for testing the capacity and usefulness of the system of electro-magnetic telegraphs invented by Samuel F. B. Morse, of New York, for the use of the Government of the United States, by constructing a line of said electro-magnetic telegraphs, under the superintendence of Professor Samuel F. B. Morse, of such length, and between such points, as shall fully test its practicability and utility, and that the same shall be expended, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, upon the application of said Morse.

SEC.2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Trea sury be, and he is hereby, authorized to pay, out of the aforesaid thirty

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Provisions.

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thousand dollars, to the said Samuel F. B. Morse, and the persons employed under him, such sums of money as he may deem to be a fair compensation for the services of the said Samuel F. B. Morse, and the persons employed under him, in constructing and in superintending the construction of the said line of telegraphs authorized by this act.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums of money be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, to be paid tions. out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the protection of commerce on Lake Michigan.

For the half calendar year from the first of January to thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year from the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-three, to the thirtieth June eighteen hundred and forty-four, viz :

For the construction of a harbor at the most suitable situation at or near Milwaukie in the Territory of Wisconsin, to be made under the survey of an officer to be appointed by the Secretary of War, for the said half calendar year, fifteen thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

It shall be the duty of the corps of topographical engineers to survey and select the most suitable site for a light-house at or near Southport on Lake Michigan, in said Territory.

For continuing the public works at the harbor of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, for the said half calendar year, ten thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

For continuing the public works at the harbor of St. Joseph in the State of Michigan; for the said half calendar year, ten thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That before the money hereby appropriated for the construction of a harbor at or near said Milwaukie, shall be expended, the corps of topographical engineers shall select from actual examination and survey the point of location of said harbors.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXXVI.—An Act to authorize the investigation of alleged frauds under the pre-emption laws, and for other purposes. (a)

### Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United

States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office be, and he hereby is, authorized to appoint a competent agent, whose duty it shall be, under direction of said Commissioner, to investigate, upon oath, the cases of fraud under the preemption laws, alleged to exist in the Columbus land district, in the State land district. of Mississippi, referred to in the late annual report of said Commissioner, communicated to Congress by letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, dated December the fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two; and that such agent shall examine all witnesses who may be brought before him by the individual or individuals alleging the fraud, as well as those witnesses who may be produced by the parties in interest, to sustain said claims; and that he be, and is hereby, invested with power to administer to such witnesses an oath to speak the truth in regard to any question which may be deemed necessary to the full

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[Obsolete.] Appropria-

Milwaukie harbor.

Light-house at Southport.

Chicago harbor.

St. Joseph harbor.

Location of Milwaukie harbor.

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An agent to be appointed to investigate cases of alleged fraud in Columbus

Mode of investigation.

(a) See notes of the acts which have been passed relating to pre-emption rights; act of May 29, 1830, ch. 208.

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examination of the cases so alleged to be fraudulent; and such testimony shall be reduced to writing, and subscribed by each witness, and the same returned to the Commissioner, with the opinion of said agent on each claim; and any witness, so examined before the said agent, who shall swear wilfully and falsely in regard to any matter or thing touching such examination, shall be subject, on conviction, to all the pains and penalties of perjury; and it shall be the duty of the Commissioner, to decide the cases thus returned, and finally to settle the matter in controversy, subject alone to an appeal to the Secretary of the Treasury: *Provided*, That the power conferred by this section upon such agent is hereby limited to the term of one year from and after the date of this act; and the compensation to be paid to said agent shall not exceed three dollars per day for each day he may be necessarily engaged in the performance of the duties required by this section.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That in any case, where a party entitled to claim the benefits of any of the pre-emption laws shall have died before consummating his claim, by filing, in due time, all the papers essential to the establishment of the same, it shall be competent for the executor or administrator of the estate of such party, or one of the heirs, to file the necessary papers to complete the same: *Provided*, That the entry in such cases shall be made in favor of "the heirs" of the deceased pre-emptor, and a patent thereon shall cause the title to inure to said heirs, as if their names had been specially mentioned.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That every settler on section sixteen, reserved for the use of schools, or on other reserves or land covered by private claims of others, which was not surveyed at the time of such settlement, and who shall otherwise come within the provisions of the several pre-emption laws in force at the time of the settlement, upon proof thereof before the register of the proper land office, shall be entitled to enter, at the minimum price, any other quarter section, or fractional section, or fractional quarter section, in the land district in which such school section or reserve or private claim may lie, so as not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres, not reserved from sale, or in the occupancy of any actual bona fide settler: *Provided*, Such settlement was made before the date of the act of fourth September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and after the extinguishment of the Indian title.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That where an individual has filed, under the late pre-emption law, his declaration of intention to claim the benefits of said law for one tract of land, it shall not be lawful for the same individual at any future time, to file a second declaration for another tract.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That claimants under the late pre-emption law, for land not yet proclaimed for sale, are required to make known their claims, in writing, to the register of the proper land office, within three months from the date of this act when the settlement has been already made, and within three months from the time of the settlement when such settlement shall hereafter be made, giving the designation of the tract, and the time of settlement; otherwise his claim to be forfeited, and the tract awarded to the next settler, in the order of time, on the same tract of land, who shall have given such notice, and otherwise complied with the conditions of the law.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That whenever the vacancy of the office either of register or receiver, or of both, shall render it impossible for the claimant to comply with any requisition of any of the pre-emption laws within the appointed time, such vacancy shall not operate to the detriment of the party claiming, in respect to any matter essential to the establishment of his claim: *Provided*, That such requisition is complied with within the same period after the disability is removed as would have been allowed him had such disability not existed.

In case of death of party entitled to pre-emption before consummating claim.

Settlers on certain lands, unsurveyed at time of settlement, may enter other lands.

Proviso.

1841, ch. 16. An individual filing a declaration for one tract, cannot file a second for another.

Claimants under late preemption law, &c. to make known their claims.

Claimants not to suffer for noncompliance with pre-emption laws caused by vacancy of office of register or receiver. Proviso.

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SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That where a settler on the public lands may reside on a quarter section, a fractional quarter section, or a fraction of a section less than one hundred and sixty acres, and cultivated land on any other and different tract of either of the descriptions aforesaid, he or she shall be entitled, under the act of June twentytwo, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to the same privileges of a choice between two legal subdivisions of each, so as to include his or her house and farm, not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres in all, as is granted, by the first section of that act, to settlers residing on a quarter section, and cultivating on another and different quarter.

SEC. 8. And he it further enacted, That where two or more persons are residing on any of the species of tracts specified in section seven of this act, as required by the acts of the twenty-second of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and first of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty, and any one or more of said settlers may have cultivated land during the period of residence required by either of said acts, on another and different tract, or other and different tracts, the latter mentioned settlers shall be entitled to the option of entering the tract lived on, jointly with the other or others, or of abandoning the tract lived on to those who have not cultivated land as above required, and entering the tract or tracts cultivated, so as not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres to any one settler, who, by virtue of this section, is entitled to a separate entry; or such joint settlers may jointly enter the tract so jointly occupied by them, and in addition enter other contiguous unoccupied lands, by legal subdivisions, so as not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres in all to each of such joint settlers : Provided, That the extended privileges granted to pre-emptors by this act, shall not be construed to deprive any other actual settler of his or her previous and paramount right of pre-emption, or to extend to lands reserved for any purpose whatever.

SEC. 9. And be it further enacted, That\_all persons coming within the tenth section of the act of the fourth of September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," shall be entitled to the right of pre-emption under its provisions, notwithstanding such persons claiming the pre-emption shall have settled upon and improved the lands claimed before the same were surveyed: *Provided*, Such settlements were made before the date of the aforesaid act, and after the extinguishment of the Indian title. And said act shall not be so construed as to preclude any person who may have filed a notice of intention to claim any tract of land by pre-emption under said act, from the right allowed by law to others to purchase the same by private entry after the expiration of the right of pre-emption.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

# CHAP. LXXXVII. — An Act to provide, in certain cases, for the sale of the real estate of infants within the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when the guardian of any infant shall think that the interest of his or her ward will be promoted by the sale of his or her real estate, or any part thereof, it shall be lawful for such guardian to exhibit his bill for that purpose, in the circuit court of the District of Columbia, for that county in which the real estate proposed to be sold, or part thereof, shall lie. In the bill so exhibited, the guardian shall set forth, plainly and distinctly, all the estate, real and personal, to which such infant is entitled, and all the facts which, in his opinion, are calculated to show whether the interest of his ward will be promoted by such sale or not. The bill shall be

Settlers residing on one quarter section, and cultivating another, entitled to a choice. 1838, ch. 119.

In case of two or more persons residing on one quarter section, and one or more of them cultivating other tracts.

Proviso.

Persons coming within sec. 10, act 4th September, 1841, ch. 16, entitled to pre-emption.

Proviso.

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When a guardian thinks it to the ward's interest to sell, he may exhibit a bill for that purpose. What to set forth. Bill, how verified. Parties defendant thereto. Guardian ad litem to be appointed. Bill, how an-

swered. Commissions for taking depositions to be awarded, &c.

What required to render a decree of sale lawful.

Proceeds of sale to be applied to the benefit of the infant.

D.sposition of proceeds in case of the infant dying.

Costs of suit, how paid. Guardians not allowed to purchase.

No sale to be decreed if prohibited by the testator.

Act to take effect from its passage.

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1844, ch. 54.

Boundary line to be surveyed and suitably demarked. verified by the oath of the guardian; and the infant, together with those who would be heirs to the estate if he or she were dead, shall be made parties defendant thereto. It shall be the duty of the court to appoint some fit and disinterested person to be guardian ad litem, for the infant, who shall answer such bill on oath; the infant, also, if above the age of fourteen years, shall answer the bill in proper person, on oath.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That whether the answer to the plaintiff's bill admit the facts alleged or not, commissions for taking depositions shall be awarded; and before the court shall have authority, under this act, to decree any sale, every fact material to ascertain the propriety of the sale shall be proved by clear and credible evidence, given by disinterested witnesses; depositions to be taken in the presence of the guardian ad litem, or upon interrogatories agreed upon by him.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That if, upon hearing of the cause, it shall be proved, to the satisfaction of the court, by evidence taken as aforesaid, that the interest of the infant manifestly requires the sale of his real estate, or any part thereof, and the court shall be of opinion that, by such sale, the rights of others will not be violated, it shall be lawful to decree such sale, in such manner and upon such terms of credit as the court think right, always retaining a lien upon such estate for the payment of the purchase money.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the proceeds of such sale shall be vested and applied for the benefit of the infant, either in the purchase of other real estate, or in such other manner as the court shall think best; but, in whatever hands the proceeds of the sale may be placed, the court shall require ample security that they shall be faithfully applied in such manner as the court may direct.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That if the infant, after such sale, shall die intestate, under the age of twenty-one years, the proceeds aforesaid, or so much thereof as may remain at his death, shall be considered as real estate, and shall pass accordingly to such person or persons as would have been entitled to the estate sold, if it had not been sold.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That if a sale be decreed, the costs of the suit shall be paid out of the estate of the infant, otherwise the costs shall be paid by the plaintiff: *Provided*, That in no case where a sale shall be decreed shall the guardian of the said infant or infants, or the guardian ad litem, be admitted a purchaser, either by himself or by another, or in any manner whatever become the owner of the said land, during the infancy of the heir or devisee: And provided, also, That no sale of any infant's real estate shall be decreed, by virtue of this act, if the testator from whom such estate is derived, shall, by his last will and testament, have expressly directed otherwise.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That this act shall be in force from and after the passage thereof.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXXVIII.—An Act directing the survey of the northern line of the reservation for the half-breeds of the Sochs [Sacs] and Fox tribes of Indians by the treaty of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Chief Engineer cause to be surveyed and suitably demarked the northern boundary line of the reservation for the use of the half-breeds of the Soch [Sacs] and Fox tribes of Indians, by the treaty of the fourth of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, beginning at the point, which at the date of said treaty was known and recognised as the northwest corner of the State of Missouri, and running thence due east to the river Mississippi, the section of said line lying between that stream and the river Des Moines being the northern boundary line of said reservation. APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

# CHAP. LXXXIX. — An Act to provide for carrying into effect the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded at Washington on the ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commissioner to be appointed on the part of the United States for the purpose of running, tracing, and marking certain parts of the boundary line between the United States and the British possessions in North America, according to the sixth article of the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, concluded on the ninth of August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, shall be allowed and paid a salary at the rate of three thousand dollars per annum; and the salar at the rate of one thousand five hundred dollars per annum: Provided, That the salaries of said officers shall not commence until they shall have been severally ordered into service.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the President of the United States to cause any one or more of the officers of the corps of topographical engineers, as the public service may require, to be employed to aid and assist the said commissioner in running, tracing, and marking the said line.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That for the payment of the said salaries, and for other expenses of said commission, including the purchase or repair of instruments, wages to persons employed, and other contingencies, there be appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the sum of three hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be paid in equal moieties to the States of Maine and Massachusetts, in conformity with the provision of the fifth article of the said treaty.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the proper officers of the treasury to audit and pay the accounts of the States of Maine and Massachusetts for all claims for expenses incurred by them in protecting the heretofore disputed territory on the northeastern frontier of the United States, and making a survey thereof, as provided by the fifth article of said treaty; and the sum of, not exceeding ten thousand seven hundred and ninety-two dollars and ninety-five cents for Massachusetts, and two hundred and six thousand nine hundred and thirty-four dollars and seventy-nine cents for Maine, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in satisfaction of the said accounts.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the President of the United States, in execution of the provisions of the eighth article of said treaty, to apply so much of the naval appropriations as may be necessary therefor, to the preparation, equipment, and maintenance of the naval force therein stipulated to be employed on the coast of Africa by the United States.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

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Commissioner to be appointed to run and mark the boundary line—his salary.

Commissioner allowed a clerk.

Proviso.

Officers of the topographical engineers may be employed to assist the commissioner.

A ppropriation for expenses of the commission.

Appropriation for Maine and Massachusetts.

Accounts of Maine and Massachusetts for certain expenses to be audited and paid.

Appropriation therefor.

Naval appropriations to be applied to the execution of the provisions of the 8th article. CHAP. XC .- An act providing the means of future intercourse between the United

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\$40,000 placed at the disposal of the President for establishing commercial relations with China. To be accounted for, how. Act of July 1, 179, ch. 22. Salary of the agent.

How to be appointed.

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1852, ch. 60.

Land in Ohio, ceded by Wyandot treaty of 17th March 1842, attached to district in which situated. Land office to be removed to Upper Sandusky.

Part of the land to be laid off, and residue surveyed.

All the lands, except school lands, &c. to be offered at public sale.

All the lots, except four to be selected for the town, &c., to be offered at public sale.

States, and the Government of China. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of forty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated and placed at the disposal of the President of the United States, to enable him to establish the future commercial relations between the United States and the Chinese empire on terms of national equal reciprocity; the said sum to be accounted for by the President, in the manner prescribed by the act of first of July, one thousand seven hundred and ninety, entitled "An act providing the means of intercourse between

the United States and foreign nations:" *Provided*, That the annual compensation to any one person employed under this act shall not exceed the sum of nine thousand dollars exclusive of outfit: And provided further, That no agent shall be sent by virtue of this act unless he shall have been appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. XCI.—An Act providing for the sale of certain lands in the States of Ohio and Michigan, ceded by the Wyandot tribe of Indians, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all that tract of land in the State of Ohio, to which the Indian title was extinguished by a treaty with the Wyandot tribe of Indians, concluded at Upper Sandusky, March seventeenth, eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall be attached to, and made a part of, the consolidated land district in which it is situated; and that the land office for the said district shall be removed from Lima to the town of Upper Sandusky, within the tract aforesaid, as soon as, in the judgment of the President of the United States, such removal shall be proper.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That a portion of the tract aforesaid, including the town of Upper Sandusky, shall, under the direction of the surveyor general, be laid off into town lots, streets, and avenues, and into out lots, in such manner and of such dimensions as he may judge proper: *Provided*, That the land so laid off shall not exceed in quantity six hundred and forty acres, nor the town lots a quarter of an acre each, nor the out lots exceed the quantity of two acres each; and the residue of the lands in the tract shall be surveyed as other public lands, in connection with the adjacent previous surveys.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That all the public land in said tract, with the exception of the section numbered sixteen, in each township, which shall remain for the support of common schools, and of the lots reserved by the provisions of the aforesaid treaty, which shall remain for the purposes therein expressed, shall, so soon as the surveys and plats of the same be returned to the general and district land offices, be offered at public sale, at Upper Sandusky, under the superintendence of the register of the land office and the receiver of public moneys for the district, at such time as shall be designated by proclamation of the President of the United States; the sales to remain open for two weeks, and no longer, and the lands not to be sold at public sale nor be subject to private entry thereafter for a price less than two dollars and fifty cents per acre.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the town lots and out lots directed by this act to be laid off shall, with the exception of four town lots, to be selected by the superintendents of the sale, for the use of and to be vested in the town when it shall become corporate, and also of the

lots reserved by the seventeenth article of the aforesaid treaty, to remain for the uses therein provided for, be offered at public sale at the time the other lands in the tract are offered, and are to be subject to entry at private sale thereafter: *Provided*, *however*, That no town lot shall be sold for less than twenty dollars, nor any out lot for less than at the rate of fifteen dollars per acre.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That, in executing the surveys of the lands in the tract aforesaid, the surveyor general shall cause the improved lands to be designated on the general plat, and the position, extent, and quality of each improvement to be carefully noted; and the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall cause the superintendents of the sales to be furnished with a copy of the schedule of the appraised value of improvements ascertained, pursuant to the fifth article of the said treaty; and in any case, where the lines for subdivision of sections shall divide and injuriously affect the value of an improvement, the superintendents of the sale shall be authorized, under instruction of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to offer, at public and private sale, an entire quarter section, or half-quarter section, and to attach together halves of two adjacent quarter sections, so as to preserve, as far as practicable, the improvements on a tract entire; and if, in offering at public sale any tract on which improvements exist, the real value of the same, according to the estimate of the superintendents, . shall not be bidden, it shall be their duty to withdraw the tract from sale, and the tracts thus withdrawn from sale shall again be offered at public sale, due public notice first being given, when directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That all the lands in the Wyandot reserve, on both sides of the river Huron, in the State of Michigan, ceded to the United States by the aforesaid treaty, shall be attached to and made a part of the district of lands subject to sale at Detroit; and shall be offered for sale at the land office, in the same manner, both as to public and private sale, as is directed for the sale of the lands of the reserve in the State of Ohio by this act: *Provided*, That the land shall not be sold for less than two dollars per acre.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

# CHAP. XCII. — An Act to fix the value of certain foreign moneys of account, in computations at the custom-houses. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all computations of the value of foreign moneys of account at the custom-houses of the United States, the thaler of Prussia shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of sixty-eight and one half cents; the mil-reis of Portugal shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of one hundred and twelve cents; the rix-dollar of Bremen shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of seventy-eight and three-quarter cents; the thaler of Bremen, of seventy-two grotes, shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of seventy-one cents; that the mil-reis of Madeira shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of one hundred cents; the milreis of the Azores shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of eighty-three and one third cents; the marc-banco of Hamburg shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of thirty-five cents; the rouble of Russia shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of seventy-five cents; the rupee of British India shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of forty-four and one half cents; and all former laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

Proviso.

Improved lands to be noted on plats of survey.

Lands to be offered so as to preserve the improvements entire.

Improved tracts to be withdrawn from sale unless their value is bidden, &c.

Lands in Wyandot reserve in Michigan to be attached to the land district, and offered for sale.

Proviso.

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1846, ch. 14. 1845, ch. 45. Value of certain foreign moneys at the custom-houses.

<sup>(</sup>a) Notes of the acts of Congress regulating the currency of foreign coins, vol. 2, 374. VOL. V.-79 3 C

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#### [Obsolete.]

Examination and survey with a view to the establishment of a naval depot.

Appropriation therefor.

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Act of July 7, 1838, ch. 191. 1852, ch. 106.

Vessels propelled by steam to be provided with additional steering apparatus.

Vessels provided with the apparatus required by the first section, may use hemp tiller ropes, &c.

Proviso.

Further proviso.

CHAP. XCIII. - An Act authorizing an examination and survey of the harbor of Memphis, in Tennessee. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be made an examination and survey of the harbor of Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, in reference to the expediency of establishing a naval depot and yard for the building and repairing steam ships and other vessels of war at that place, and that he report to Congress the result of such examination and survey; and that the sum of three thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury unappropriated, to defray the expenses of such examination and survey. APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. XCIV. - An Act to modify the act entitled "An act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam," approved July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That every boat or vessel which existing laws require to be registered, and which is propelled in whole or in part by steam, shall be provided with such additional apparatus or means as, in the opinion of the inspector of steamboats, shall be requisite to steer the boat or vessel, to be located in such part of the boat or vessel as the inspector may deem best to enable the officers and crew to steer and control the boat or vessel, in case the pilot or man at the wheel is driven from the same by fire; and no boat or vessel, exclusively propelled by steam, shall be registered, after the passage of this act, unless the owner, master, or other proper person, shall file with the collector or other proper officer the certificate of the inspector, stating that suitable means have been provided to steer the boat or vessel, in case the pilot or man at the wheel is driven therefrom by fire.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful in all vessels or boats propelled in whole or in part by steam, and which shall be provided with additional apparatus or means to steer the same, as required by the first section of this act, to use wheel or tiller ropes, composed of hemp or other good and sufficient material, around the barrel or axle of the wheel, and to a distance not exceeding twenty-two feet therefrom, and also in connecting the tiller or rudder yoke with iron rods or chains used for working the rudder: Provided, That no more rope for this purpose shall be used than is sufficient to extend from the connecting points of the tiller or rudder yoke placed in any working position beyond the nearest blocks or rollers, and give sufficient play to work the ropes on such blocks or rollers: And provided, further, That there shall be chains extending the whole distance of the ropes, so connected with the tiller or rudder yoke, and attached or fastened to the tiller or rudder yoke, and the iron chains or rods extending towards the wheel, in such manner as will take immediate effect, and work the rudder in case the ropes are burnt or otherwise rendered useless.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the master and owner, and all others interested in vessels navigating Lakes Champlain, Ontario, Freight vessels propelled by sails and Erick-Erie, Huron, Superior, and Michigan, or any of them, and which are son's propeller,

(a) An act to establish a navy-yard and depot at or adjacent to the city of Memphis, on the Mississippi river, in the State of Tennessee; June 15, 1844, chap. 52. A resolution to suspend a part of the third section of the joint resolution of 11th Sept. 1841, relating to

armories; Feb. 13, 1845.

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propelled by sails and Erickson's propeller, and used exclusively in car- not required to rying freight, shall from and after the passage of this act be exempt from liability or fine for failing to provide, as a part of the neccessary furniture of such vessel, a suction hose and fire engine and hose suitable to be worked on such vessel in case of fire, or more than one long boat or yawl.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the court before which any suit, information or indictment is or shall be pending for the violation, before the passage of this act, of so much of the ninth section of the act aforesaid as requires "that iron rods or chains shall be employed and used in the navigation of all steamboats, instead of wheel and tiller ropes," to order such suit, information or indictment to be discontinued, on such terms as to costs as the court shall judge to be just and reasonable: Provided, That the defendant or defendants in such prosecution shall cause it to appear, by affidavit or otherwise, to the satisfaction of the court, that he or they had failed to use iron rods or chains in the navigation of his or their boat or boats, from a wellgrounded apprehension that such rods or chains could not be employed for the purpose aforesaid with safety.

SEC.5. And be it further enacted, That in execution of the authority vested in him by the second section of the joint resolution "authorizing experiments to be made for the purpose of testing Samuel Colt's submarine battery and for other purposes," approved August thirty-first one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, the Secretary of the Navy shall appoint a board of examiners, consisting of three persons, of thorough knowledge as to the structure and use of the steam-engine, whose duty it shall be to make experimental trials of such inventions and plans designed to prevent the explosion of steam boilers and collapsing of flues as they may deem worthy of examination, and report the result of their experiments, with an expression of their opinion as to the relative merits and efficacy of such inventions and plans, which report the Secretary shall cause to be laid before Congress, at its next session. It shall also be the duty of said examiners to examine and report the relative strength of copper and iron boilers of equal thickness, and what amount of steam to the square inch each, when sound, is capable of working with safety; and whether hydrostatic pressure, or what other plan is best for testing the strength of boilers under the inspection laws; and what limitations as to the force or pressure of steam to the square inch, in proportion to the ascertained capacity of a boiler to resist, it would be proper to establish by law for the more certain prevention of explosions.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That so much of the act aforesaid as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act shall be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

CHAP. XCV.-An Act in relation to the exemplifications of the records of land patents and other evidences of title, and amendalory of the act entitled "An act to reorganize the General Land Office."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That literal exemplifications of any such records which have been or may be granted in virtue of the provisions of the seventh section of the act, approved on the fourth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An act to reorganize the General Land Office," shall be deemed and held to be full. of the same validity in all proceedings whether at law, or in equity, wherein such exemplifications are adduced in evidence, as if the names of the officers signing and countersigning the same, had been fully inserted in such record.

provide suction hose, &c.

Proceedings pending for vio-lations of 9th sec. act 7th July 1838, ch. 191, discontinued.

Proviso.

Experimental trials of inventions to prevent the explosion of steam boilers, &c. authorized. Ante, p. 584.

Part of act of 7th July 1838, repealed.

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Act of July 4, 1836, ch. 352.

Literal exemplifications of records to be as valid as if the signatures had been written in Exemplifications of warrants &c. to be of equal validity with the originals. SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That exemplifications granted in pursuance of the aforesaid section of the act aforesaid, of any warrant survey, assignment, and other evidences comprising the entire muniments of title, whereon any patent has been based for lands granted by the United States in the aforesaid Virginia military land district or elsewhere, shall be, and are hereby, declared and held as of equal validity with the original patent, warrant survey, assignment, or other evidence of title, on file in said office.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

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Claims to be settled on principles of equity and justice. 1842, ch. 192. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury are authorized and required to settle the claims for supplies furnished the Florida militia, the payment of which is provided for by the acts of August the twenty-third, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, upon principles of equity and justice, under the directions of the Secretary of War.

CHAP. XCVI.-An Act providing for the settlement of claims for supplies fur-

nished the Florida militia.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

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# March 3, 1843.

Acts vesting circuit powers in district court at Williamsport repealed. Circuit courts, when to be held.

Proceedings, cognizable in a circuit court, now pending in the dist. court, transferred. CHAP. XCVII.—An Act to provide for holding circuit courts at Williamsport in the western district of Pennsylvania. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of any act or acts of Congress as vest in the district court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania holding its sessions at Williamsport the power and jurisdiction of a circuit court be, and the same is hereby repealed; and there shall hereafter be circuit courts held at Williamsport on the third Mondays of June and the third Mondays of September in each year by the associate justice of the Supreme Court who now is or shall hereafter be allotted to the circuit in which said district is situated and the district judge of the western district of Pennsylvania; either of whom shall constitute a quorum; which circuit court and the judges thereof shall have like powers and exercise like jurisdiction as other circuit courts and the judges thereof, and the said district ignition as the district courts and the judges thereof, in the other circuits.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That all actions, suits, prosecutions, causes, pleas, process and other proceedings, relative to any cause, civil or criminal, (which might have been brought, and could have been originally cognizable in a circuit court) now pending in or returnable to the said district court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania held at Williamsport, acting as a circuit court on the first day of April next shall be and are hereby declared to be, respectively transferred, returnable and continued to the said circuit court constituted by this act to be holden at Williamsport within the said district; and shall be heard, tried and determined therein, in the same manner as if originally brought, entered, prosecuted or had, in such circuit court. And the said circuit court shall be governed by the same laws and regulations as apply to the other circuit courts of the United States; and the clerk of the said court shall perform the same duties and shall be entitled to receive the same fees and emoluments, which are by law established for the clerks of the other circuit courts of the United States. APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

(a) Act of February 19, 1831, chap. 28.

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# CHAP. XCVIII. - An Act to amend the laws regulating imprisonment for debt within the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, nothing in the third section of the act entitled "An act to amend the laws within the District of Columbia," approved June twenty-fourth, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, shall be so construed as to authorize the recommitment to close jail and confinement, or to deny the benefit of the prison rules to any person imprisoned within the prison bounds of any prison within the said District for debt. being charged in execution issued upon a judgment from which an appeal has been taken and remains undecided, or upon which any writ of error has been sued out and is depending and not finally disposed of, until one year from and after the day upon which every such appeal from, or writ of error upon, such judgment shall have been finally disposed of, and the judgment shall thus have become final and conclusive; but every person so imprisoned within the said District for debt, upon an execution issued upon any judgment thus situated, shall be entitled to the prison rules and to the limits of the liberties of the jail, or prison, to which he may have been, or may be, so committed, until the expiration of one year from and after the day of the final decision upon, and termination of, any such appeal, or writ of error, or any other proceeding at law or in equity, by whatever term designated, having for its object a review or reversal of the judgment upon which such debtor is, or may be, charged in execution: Provided, always, That every such debtor now in prison within the said District, shall, before the expiration of the bond under which he is now permitted to go at large within the prison bounds, execute and deliver to the marshal, or sheriff, or other officer to whose custody he has been thus committed, a new bond, with good and sufficient sureties, in the penalty of twice the amount of the judgment upon which he is charged in execution, and conditioned that he will remain a true and faithful prisoner within the bounds of the prison to which he has been committed, and will not depart thence until discharged therefrom by due course of law; and every debtor hereafter to be committed within the said District, charged in execution for debt under the circumstances provided for in this act shall, before being entitled to the prison rules as hereinbefore provided, cause to be executed and deliver to the marshal, or sheriff, or other proper officer, a like bond with sureties, in a like penalty, and with a like condition.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful, in any manner, nor by virtue of any law now existing, as to any prisoner now in confinement under circumstances such as are contemplated and provided for by the first section of this act, or as to any person who may hereafter be confined under such circumstances, to make any alteration in the prison bounds as they existed and were marked and laid out when such prisoner was committed upon the execution under which he remains charged, but the limits of the liberties of his prison shall, to every such prisoner, be what they were at the time of his commitment; and the sixteenth section of the act entitled "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors within the District of Columbia," approved March the third, one thousand eight hundred and three, shall be, and the same is hereby, so far modified as to conform to the provisions of this section ors, modified. of this act.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That no female shall be imprisoned for debt upon mesne or final process.

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1853, ch. 40. 1812, ch. 106.

No person to be imprisoned upon a judgm't from which an appeal, &c. is taken, until one year after such appeal, &c. has been finally disposed of.

Proviso.

No alteration to be made in the present prison bounds.

16th sec. act 3d March 1803, ch. 31, for relief of insolvent debt-

Females not to be imprison. ed.

# TWENTY-SEVENT'H CONGRESS. Sess. III. CH. 99, 100. 1843.

CHAP. XCIX. - An Act to authorize the election or appointment of officers in the

Territory of Wisconsin.

bly of the Territory of Wisconsin shall be, and are hereby, authorized

to provide, by law, for the election or appointment of sheriffs, judges

of probate, justices of the peace, and county surveyors, within the said

Territory, in such way or manner, and at such times and places as to

them may seem proper; and after a law shall have been passed by the

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Legislative Assem-

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#### [Obsolete.]

Legislative Assembly authorized to provide for the election or appointment of certain officers.

vice of members of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly for that purpose, all elections or appointments of the above-named officers, thereafter to be had or made, will be in pursuance of such law. Term of ser-

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the members of both houses of the said Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Wisconsin, shall, upon the expiration of the terms of service for which the present members have been elected, be hereafter elected to serve for the same terms of service as that for which the members of the Legislative Assembly in

Iowa are now elected.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

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March 3, 1843.

CHAP. C .- An Act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of Government for the fiscal year ending the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-four.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and hereby are, appropriated to the objects hereinafter expressed, for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, namely:

For compensation and mileage of Senators and members of the House of Representatives and delegates from the Territories, six hundred and thirty-eight thousand three hundred and twenty dollars;

For compensation of the officers and clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives, thirty-nine thousand five hundred and fifty-seven dollars and fifty cents;

For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the Senate, sixty thousand dollars;

For stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, one hundred and seventyfive thousand dollars : Provided, That nothing in any resolution of either House of Congress shall prevent the settlement and payment of the bills for the printing of the two Houses of Congress, agreeably to the prices established by the joint resolution of March 3d, 1819;

For compensation of the principal and two assistant librarians, and messenger of the library of Congress, four thousand five hundred dollars;

For contingent expenses of said library, eight hundred dollars;

For purchase of books for said library, five thousand dollars;

For purchase of law books for said library, one thousand dollars;

For laying floor of principal library room with hydraulic cement, two hundred and twenty-five dollars; and the librarian is hereby authorized to sell, at public auction, any portion of the old and useless furniture of the library rooms, and pay the proceeds thereof into the treasury of the United States;

For compensation of the President of the United States, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Department of State.-For compensation of the Secretary of State,

Appropriations.

Congress.

Officers of the Senate and H. of Reps.

Contingent expenses.

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Library of Congress.

Contingent expenses. Purchase of books. Laying floor.

Sale of old fur niture.

President of United States. State Department. Secretary, &c. and the clerks, messenger and assistant messenger, in his department, twenty-six thousand three hundred dollars;

For the contingent expenses of said department, viz :

For publishing, packing, and distributing the laws, and packing and distributing documents, including proof-reading, labor, boxes, and transportation, nine thousand dollars;

For stationery, blank books, and book-binding, two thousand dollars; For labor and attendance, one thousand five hundred dollars:

For furniture and fixtures, repairs, painting, and glazing, one thousand eight hundred dollars;

For extra clerk hire and copying, two thousand dollars;

For printing, letter-press and copperplate, and advertising, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For newspapers, two hundred dollars,

For books and maps, one thousand dollars;

For the payment of all claims which Thomas Allen has against the United States for printing twenty thousand copies of "The Compendium or Abridgment of the Sixth Census, by counties and principal towns, together with the tables of apportionment as prepared at the State Department for the use of Congress," the sum of fifteen thousand eight hundred and forty-nine dollars and sixty-four cents; and for the payment of all claims which Blair and Rives have against the United States for printing ten thousand copies of the same document, eight thousand nine hundred and twenty-four dollars and eighty-two cents: *Provided*, 'That nothing herein contained shall prejudice any future application to Congress, for further compensation for said works;

For miscellaneous items, one thousand dollars: *Provided*, That nothing contained in the fifteenth and sixteenth sections of the act entitled "An act legalizing and making appropriations for such necessary objects as have been usually included in the general appropriation bills without authority of law, and to fix and provide for certain incidental expenses of the departments and offices of the Government, and for other purposes," shall be deemed to apply to the contingent fund appropriated to the State Department for the calendar year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and for the half calendar year one thousand eight hundred and forty-three;

To defray the expenses of distributing the remaining numbers of the Census and Statistics, according to a resolution of Congress, two thousand five hundred dollars;

For compiling, printing and binding the Biennial Register, three thousand dollars;

For compensation of the superintendent and three watchmen of the northeast executive building, one thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars;

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:

For labor, one thousand two hundred dollars;

For fuel and light, one thousand four hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, seven hundred dollars;

Treasury Department.—For compensation of the Secretary of the Treasury, and the clerks, messenger and assistant messenger, in his office, twenty-seven thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the First Comptroller, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, twenty-two thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Second Comptroller, and the clerks and messenger in his office, fifteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the First Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, nineteen thousand nine hundred dollars; Contingent expenses, inclu ding printing of laws, &c.

Payment for printing census documents.

Miscellaneous. Proviso.

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Distribution of census.

Biennial Register.

N. E. executive building.

Treasury De partment. Secretary, &c.

First Comptroller, &c.

Second Comptroller, &c.

1st Auditor, &c. 2d Auditor, &c. 3d Auditor,

4th Auditor, &c.

5th Auditor, &c.

Treasurer, &c.

Register, &c.

Commiss'r of General Land Office, &c.

Solicitor, &c.

Contingent expenses in the office of the Secretary.

First Comptroller.

Second Comptroller.

1st Auditor.

2d Auditor.

For compensation of the Second Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, twenty thousand nine hundred dollars;

For compensation of the Third Auditor, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, thirty-eight thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Fourth Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, twenty thousand one hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Fifth Auditor, and the clerks and messenger in his office, fourteen thousand eight hundred dollars;

For compensation of the Treasurer of the United States, and the clerks and messenger in his office, thirteen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Register of the Treasury, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, twenty-eight thousand six hundred dollars;

For compensation of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the recorder, solicitor, draughtsman, assistant draughtsman, clerks, messengers, and packers, in his office, ninety-eight thousand five hundred dollars;

For compensation of the Solicitor of the Treasury, and the clerks and messenger in his office, twelve thousand four hundred dollars;

For the incidental and contingent expenses of the Treasury Department, viz :

In the office of the Secretary of the Treasury:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, three thousand five hundred dollars;

For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars;

For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For extra clerk-hire, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For printing, (including the printing of the public accounts,) two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars;

For sealing ship registers, one hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, seven hundred dollars;

For translating foreign languages, one hundred and fifty dollars. In the office of the First Comptroller:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars; For payment of arrears for binding and printing, incurred previous

to the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, seven hundred dollars;

For paying for the printing of circulars and forms under the late tariff act, six hundred dollars;

- For labor, four hundred and fifty dollars;
- For extra clerk-hire, two hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars.

In the office of the Second Comptroller:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, seven hundred dollars; For labor, two hundred dollars;

For extra clerk-hire, four hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.

In the office of the First Auditor:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars; For assistant messenger, three hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

In the office of the Second Auditor:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred and fifty dollars;

For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars;

For extra clerk-hire, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, including printing blanks, and one hundred

SESS. III. CH. 100. 1843. dollars for carpets and other indispensable furniture, two hundred and fifty dollars. In the office of the Third Auditor: 3d Auditor. For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars; For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars; For extra clerk-hire, three hundred dollars; For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars. In the office of the Fourth Auditor: For blank books, binding and stationery, six hundred dollars; For labor, fifty dollars; For extra clerk-hire, one hundred dollars; For printing, fifty dollars; For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars. In the office of the Fifth Auditor: 5th Auditor. For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred and twentyfive dollars; For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars: For extra clerk-hire, fifty dollars; For miscellaneous items, one hundred and twenty-five dollars. In the Treasurer's office : Treasurer. For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars; For labor, three hundred and seventy-five dollars; For printing, seven hundred dollars; For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars. In the Solicitor's office: Solicitor. For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars; For law books, two hundred and fifty dollars; For printing circulars, blank forms for returns of district attorneys, marshals, clerks of courts, and collectors of the customs, three hundred dollars; For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars; For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars. In the Register's office : Register. For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand dollars; For labor, three hundred and fifty dollars; For printing, five hundred dollars; For miscellaneous items, one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars; For arrears for eighteen hundred and forty-two, for blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred and ninety-one dollars and fifteen cents; For arrears for eighteen hundred and forty-two, for printing, seven hundred and twenty-six dollars and twenty-six cents. In the General Land Office : General Land Office. For stationery, including blank books, and blank forms for the district land offices, seven thousand five hundred dollars; For fifty thousand pieces of parchment and printing patents, seven thousand three hundred and fifty dollars; For advertising land sales in newspapers, and in hand-bill form, public notices, and printing circulars, four thousand dollars; For office furniture and repairs of same, one thousand two hundred dollars; For pay of laborers employed in the office, five hundred dollars; For miscellaneous items, seven hundred and eighty dollars. S.C.Davidson. For compensation to Samuel C. Davidson, for carrying mails of the General Land Office to and from the city post office, from the nineteenth of May to the sixth of September, one thousand eight hundred

and forty-two, forty-five dollars and sixty-one cents. For compensation of the superintendent and eight watchmen of the southeast executive building, three thousand four hundred dollars.

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S. E. executive building.

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:

For labor, two thousand two hundred dollars;

For fuel and light, three thousand seven hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one thousand seven hundred dollars.

For the purchase of a site and the commencement of the building of custom-house, at Wilmington, North Carolina, in addition to the proceeds of the sale of the present site, if the Secretary of the Treasury shall deem it proper to change the site, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars: Provided, That the plan of the building shall be such, that the whole cost, both of building and site, shall not exceed the sum of forty thousand dollars.

War Department.-For compensation of the Secretary of War, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nineteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;

For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars; For newspapers and periodicals, two hundred and fifty dollars;

For labor, three hundred dollars;

For printing, three hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, five hundred and fifty dollars;

For books, maps, and plans, one thousand dollars;

For extra clerk hire, three thousand dollars;

For arrears for newspapers and periodicals, prior to twenty-sixth August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, two hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nineteen thousand four hundred dollars;

For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars:

For labor, fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, eight hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Commissioner of Pensions, and the clerks, and messengers, in his office, and including five hundred dollars for the

half calendar year, ending thirtieth June, sixteen thousand dollars;

For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;

For printing, four hundred dollars:

For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, four hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerk and messenger in the office of the Commanding General, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, for said office, three hundred dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Adjutant General, seven thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;

For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:

For printing Army Register and orders, four hundred dollars;

For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars; For extra clerk hire, one hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, including five hundred and ninety-six dollars and sixteen cents, unexpended balance of former appropriations, six hundred dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Quartermaster General, seven thousand three hundred dollars;

For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars; For labor, two hundred dollars;

For printing, two hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars;

Custom-house at Wilmington, N. C.

War Department. Office of Secretary.

Commissioner of Ind. affairs.

Commissioner of Pensions.

Commanding General.

Adjutant General.

Quartermaster General.

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Paymaster General, seven thousand one hundred dollars:

For contingent expenses of said office, viz. :

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars;

For fuel, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For miscellaneous items, four hundred dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of clothing and equipage at Philadelphia, four thousand two hundred dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Commissary General of Subsistence, five thousand three hundred dollars:

For contingent expenses of said office, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars:

For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars;

For printing and advertising, eight hundred dollars;

For labor, one hundred dollars;

For fuel, one hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, three hundred dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Chief Engineer, five thousand six hundred and fifty dollars; neer.

For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred dollars;

For printing, one hundred dollars;

For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Surgeon General, two thousand six hundred and fifty dollars;

For contingent expenses of said office, viz.:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred dollars;

For printing, fifty dollars;

For fuel, seventy-five dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the office of the Colonel of Ordnance, eight thousand six hundred and fifty dollars. Ordnance.

For contingent expenses of said office, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred and fifty dollars;

For printing, eighty dollars;

For fuel, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the clerks and messenger in the bureau of Topographical Engineers, four thousand nine hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz :

For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars.

For labor, one hundred dollars;

For fuel, two hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the superintendent and four watchmen of the N.W. execunorthwest executive building, one thousand seven hundred and ten dol- tive building. lars.

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:

For labor, four hundred dollars;

For fuel and light, two thousand dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one thousand six hundred dollars.

Navy Department.-For compensation of the Secretary of the Navy, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, nineteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For contingent expenses of said office, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, eight hundred dollars:

Paymaster General.

Clothing and Equipage. Comm'y Gen. of Subsistence.

Surgeon General.

Chief Engi-

Colonel of

Topographical Engineers.

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For extra clerk hire, four thousand dollars;

For printing, three hundred dollars;

For labor, three hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars;

For newspapers and periodicals, two hundred dollars;

For payment of sundry bills for stationery and newspapers for eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, eighteen hundred and forty, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and eighteen hundred and forty-two, seven hundred dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Navy-yards and Docks, and the draughtsman, clerks, and messenger, in his office, eight thousand four hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, three hundred dollars;

For labor, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Construction, Equipment, and Repairs, and the assistant constructor, clerks, and messenger, in his office, nine thousand one hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz :

For blank books and stationery, two hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and eighty dollars;

For labor, one hundred and twenty dollars;

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Provisions and Clothing, and the clerks and messenger in his office, seven thousand one hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz :

For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography, and the draughtsman, clerk, and messenger, in his office, nine thousand four hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz:

For blank books and stationery, two hundred and sixty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one hundred and forty dollars;

For labor, one hundred dollars.

For compensation of the chief of bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and the clerks and messenger in his office, five thousand two hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said bureau, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, four hundred dollars;

For miscellaneous items, two hundred dollars.

For compensation of the superintendent and three watchmen of the southwest executive building, one thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars.

For contingent expenses of said building, viz:

For labor, three hundred and twenty-five dollars;

For fuel and lights, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars. For payment to Isaac Babbitt, of Boston, in execution of a contract made with him by the Secretary of the Navy for the purchase of Babbitt's "anti-attrition metal," pursuant to the act of Congress of the twenty-ninth of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, twenty thousand dollars; and the accounting officers of the treasury, are hereby authorized and directed, in the settlement of the accounts of the officers attached to the late surveying and exploring expedition, to the Pacific ocean, and the South seas, who were employed in the scientific duties, to allow and credit them with extra pay, equal to that allowed to the officers engaged in the service of the coast survey.

Bureau of Navy-yards and Docks.

Bureau of Construction, Equipment and Repair.

Bureau of Provisions and Clothing.

Bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography.

Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

S.W. executive building.

Purchase of Babbitt's antiattrition metal. Act of Aug. 29, 1842, ch. 268.

Extra pay to officers of the exploring expedition.

#### TWENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS. SESS. III. CH. 100. 1843.

Post Office Department .- For compensation of the Postmaster General and the three Assistant Postmasters General, and the clerks, messenger, and three assistant messengers, and two watchmen of the Post Office Department, seventy-four thousand three hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said department, viz :

For blank books, binding, and stationery, one thousand eight hundred dollars;

For newspapers and periodicals, one hundred dollars;

For fuel and oil, two thousand one hundred dollars:

For miscellaneous items, eight hundred dollars:

For printing, nine hundred dollars;

For labor, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars;

For one day watchman, three hundred and sixty dollars:

For compensation of temporary clerks, three thousand dollars;

For blank books, binding, and stationery, furnished between second October, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and twentieth August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, six hundred and forty-three dollars and four cents;

For blank books, binding and stationery furnished between the first of April eighteen hundred and forty and twenty-fourth May eighteen hundred and forty-one, one thousand five hundred and fifty-six dollars;

For advertising done in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-nine and eighteen hundred and forty, one hundred and two dollars and forty eight cents;

For newspapers subscribed for prior to September, eighteen hundred and forty-one, one hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation of the Auditor for the Post Office Department, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his office, eightyfive thousand seven hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said office, viz:

For blank books, binding, and stationery, six hundred and fifty dollars;

For printing blanks, one thousand one hundred and thirty dollars; For labor, two thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars;

For miscellaneous items, five hundred and fifty dollars.

Surveyors and their Clerks .- For compensation of the surveyor general northwest of the Ohio, and the clerks in his office, eight thousand three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Illinois and Missouri, and the clerks in his office, five thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Arkansas, and the clerks in his office, four thousand three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Louisiana, and the clerks in his office, four thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Mississippi, and the clerks in his office, seven thousand dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Alabama, and the clerks in his office, four thousand dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Florida, and the clerks in his office, five thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the surveyor general in Wisconsin and Iowa, and the clerks in his office, three thousand one hundred dollars: Provided, That the said several surveyors general shall reside within the districts for which they are surveyors general, and discharge the duties of their said office.

For extra clerks in the offices of the surveyors general, to be apportioned to them according to the exigencies of the public service, and including the existing undrawn balance of two hundred and ten dollars veyors general. and seventy-seven cents, from thirtieth December, eighteen hundred

General, &c Contingent expenses.

Department. Postmaster

Post Office

Contingent

expenses.

Auditor, &c.

Surveyors and their clerks. North-west of the Ohio.

Illinois and Missouri.

Arkansas.

Louisiana.

Mississippi.

Alabama.

Florida.

Wisconsin and Iow Proviso.

Extra clerks in offices of sur and forty-two, to thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-four, twenty-one thousand dollars.

For compensation of the secretary to sign patents for public lands, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the Commissioner of Public Buildings in Washington city, and the three assistants, as draw-keepers at the Potomac bridge, including oil, fire wood, and repairs, four thousand dollars.

United States Mint and Branches.-For compensation of the officers and workmen of the mint at Philadelphia, viz:

For the director, three thousand five hundred dollars;

For the treasurer, two thousand dollars;

For the chief coiner, two thousand dollars;

For the assayer, two thousand dollars;

For the melter and refiner, two thousand dollars;

For the engraver, two thousand dollars;

For the assistant assayer, one thousand three hundred dollars;

For four clerks, four thousand four hundred dollars;

For wages to workmen, twenty-four thousand dollars;

For incidental and contingent expenses, including the wastage of gold and silver, fuel, materials, stationery, water, rent, and taxes, seven thousand nine hundred and seventy-three dollars.

# For specimens of ores and coins to be reserved at said mint, three hundred dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at Charlotte, in North Carolina, viz:

For the superintendent, two thousand dollars;

For the assayer, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For the coiner, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For the clerk, one thousand dollars;

For wages to workmen, three thousand five hundred dollars.

For incidental and contingent expenses, including fuel, materials, stationery, taxes, and wastage of gold, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at Dahlonega, in Georgia, viz:

For the superintendent, two thousand dollars;

For the assayer, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For the coiner, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For the clerk, one thousand dollars;

For wages to workmen, two thousand eight hundred and eighty dollars,

For incidental and contingent expenses of said branch, including fuel, materials, stationery, taxes, and wastage of gold, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation of the officers and workmen of the branch mint at New Orleans, viz :

For the superintendent, two thousand five hundred dollars;

For the treasurer, two thousand dollars;

For the coiner, two thousand dollars;

For the assayer, two thousand dollars;

For the melter and refiner, two thousand dollars;

For two clerks, two thousand four hundred dollars;

For wages to workmen, twenty thousand dollars.

For incidental and contingent expenses of said branch, including fuel, materials, stationery, and wastage of gold and silver, fifteen thousand dollars.

Governments in the Territories of the United States .- For compensation of the officers of Wisconsin Territory, viz:

For Governor, two thousand five hundred dollars;

For three judges, five thousand four hundred dollars;

Secretary to sign patents for lands. Commissioner of public buildings.

Mint and branches. Mint at Philadelphia-officers.

Workmen. Contingent expenses.

Specimens.

Branch mint at Charlotteofficers.

Workmen. Contingent expenses.

Branch mint at Dahlonegaofficers.

Workmen.

Contingent expenses.

Branch mint at New Orleansofficers.

Contingent expenses.

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Workmen.

For secretary, one thousand two hundred dollars;

For contingent expenses of said Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars;

For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, pay of officers, printing, stationery, fuel, furniture, postage, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects. seventeen thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the officers of Iowa Territory, viz:

For Governor, two thousand five hundred dollars;

For three judges, five thousand four hundred dollars;

For secretary, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, pay of officers, printing, stationery, fuel, furniture, postage, candles, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, twenty thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For compensation of the officers of Florida Territory, viz:

For Governor, two thousand five hundred dollars;

For five judges, nine thousand five hundred dollars;

For secretary, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislative Council of said Territory, pay of officers, stationery, fuel, printing, and all other incidental and miscellaneous objects, twenty-seven thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Judiciary.-For the salaries of the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, and the judges of the several districts of the United States, ninety-three thousand nine hundred dollars.

For the Attorney General of the United States, and the clerk and messenger in his office, five thousand five hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses of said office, five hundred dollars. For the salaries of the chief justice of the District of Columbia, the associate judges, the judges of the criminal court and the orphans' courts of said District, eleven thousand seven hundred dollars.

For the reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, including arrears of eighteen hundred and forty-two, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For the salaries of the district attorneys of the several districts and Territories of the United States, as prescribed by law, eight thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

For arrears of the salaries of the district attorneys of Maryland and Massachusetts, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, four hundred dollars.

For the salaries of the marshals for the several districts and Territories of the United States, as prescribed by law, seven thousand two hundred dollars.

For defraying the expenses of the supreme, circuit, and district courts of the United States, including the District of Columbia; also, for jurors and witnesses, in aid of the funds arising from fines, penalties, and forfeitures, incurred in the year eighteen hundred and fortyfour and preceding years; and likewise for defraying the expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, and of prosecutions for offences committed against the United States, and for the safe-keeping of prisoners, including expenses under the bankrupt law, three hundred and seventy-three thousand dollars; Provided, That no part of the sum hereby appropriated shall be paid to, or in any way allowed to any person or persons, who has or have neglected, or who shall hereafter neg-

Secretary. Contingent expenses.

Legislative Assembly.

Iowa, Governor. Judges. Secretary. Contingent expenses.

Legislative Assembly.

Florida. Governor. Judges. Secretary.

Contingent expenses.

Legislative Council.

Judiciary. Chief justice and associate justices.

Attorney General, &c.

Judges of Dis-trict Columbia.

Reporter to SupremeCourt.

District attorneys.

Marshals.

Expenses of the Supreme Circuit and District Courts, &c.

Proviso, no payments to be made to persons neglecting to

comply with 167th paragraph of act of 18th May 1842, ch. 29.

Miscellaneous. Annuities and grants.

Coast survey.

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Keepers of Florida archives.

Insolvent debtors.

Penitentiary of D. C.

Public storehouse in Baltimore.

Mobile custom-house.

Sick and disabled seamen.

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Boston custom-house.

Charleston custom-house and post-office. Ships' registers, &c. lect to comply with all and every requirement contained in the one hundred and sixty-seventh paragraph of the first section of the twenty-ninth chapter of the laws of the United States, entitled "An act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the Government for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two," and approved May eighteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-two.

Miscellaneous.—Annuities and grants:

To Josiah H. Webb, fifty dollars;

To Rachel Dohrman, three hundred dollars;

To Elizabeth C. Perry four hundred dollars;

For survey of the coast of the United States, including compensation of superintendent and assistants, one hundred thousand dollars: Provided, That this, and all other appropriations hereafter to be made for this work, shall, until otherwise provided by law, be expended in accordance with a plan of reorganizing the mode of executing the survey, to be submitted to the President of the United States by a board of officers which shall be organized by him, to consist of the present superintendent, his two principal assistants, and the two naval officers now in charge of the hydrographical parties, and four from among the principal officers of the corps of topographical engineers; none of whom shall receive any additional compensation whatever for this service, and who shall sit as soon as organized. And the President of the United States shall adopt and carry into effect the plan of said board, as agreed upon by a majority of its members; and the plan of said board shall cause to be employed as many officers of the army and navy of the United States as will be compatible with the successful prosecution of the work; the officers of the navy to be employed on the hydrographical parts, and the officers of the army on the topographical parts of the work; and no officer of the army or navy shall hereafter receive any extra pay out of this, or any future appropriations for surveys.

For compensation of the two keepers of the public archives in Florida, one thousand dollars.

For expenses in relation to the relief of certain insolvent debtors of the United States, two thousand dollars.

For the support and maintenance of the penitentiary in the District of Columbia, five thousand dollars.

For repairing the cellar of the public store-house in the city of Baltimore, in such manner as to prevent the admission of water into the same, four thousand dollars: this sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

For repairs of the custom-house at Mobile, five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as, in the estimation of the Secretary of the Treasury, after due inquiry and proper estimates are made, may be deemed necessary to prevent further dilapidation, and render the court-room and other departments in said building fit for use.

To make good a deficiency in the eighteen months ending the thirtieth of June eighteen hundred and forty-three, and estimated deficiency in the year ending on the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and fortyfour, in the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, as established by the act of the third of May eighteen hundred and three, [two] twenty-five thousand dollars.

For paying the contractors under contracts made by the Government of the United States for completing the Boston custom-house, fifty thousand dollars.

For repairing the custom-house and post office buildings in Charleston, South Carolina, five thousand dollars.

For registers for ships and vessels, and lists of crews, including cost of new dies and plates, four thousand dollars. For the payment of balances to officers of old internal revenue and direct tax, being part of the amount carried to the surplus fund thirtyfirst December, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, three thousand six hundred and sixty-one dollars and ninety cents.

For payment to Joseph Russ and Stephen J. Roach, in full for labor bestowed, any money expended in repairing or constructing a road leading from Pensacola to Tallahassee in Florida, in pursuance of a settlement of their account under the act approved seventeenth February, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph Russ and Stephen J. Roach," two thousand dollars.

For lighting Pennsylvania avenue, one hundred and fifty dollars.

For the compensation of the captain and watchmen for the city of Washington, six thousand seven hundred dollars.

For contingent expenses for fuel and light for said watch, three hundred dollars.

For payment of the books ordered by the resolution of the House of Representatives adopted on the eighth of August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, forty-seven thousand one hundred and sixty-two dollars and seventy-six cents.

For expenses incurred prior to January first, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, for clerk-hire, wages of porter, and stationery, of the commissioners under the act of July seven, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, "to remit duties on certain goods destroyed by fire," one thousand three hundred and thirty-seven dollars and ninetynine cents.

For the balance due to the late commercial agent at St. Christopher's for disbursements for the relief and protection of distressed American seamen, five thousand eight hundred and sixty-six dollars and eight cents.

To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to procure the necessary manual for the several custom-houses, together with the necessary instruments and apparatus, to ascertain the relative quantity of saccharine matter in the different kinds of sugar, agreeably to the resolution of the House of Representatives adopted on the twenty-first of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, six thousand two hundred dollars.

For the balance due on the second volume of the Documentary History of the American Revolution, six thousand eight hundred and twentysix dollars.

For the third volume of the Documentary History of the American Revolution, twenty-seven thousand six hundred and fifty dollars: Provided, That the whole work, when completed, shall not exceed twenty volumes, and that the whole cost of the entire work shall not exceed twenty thousand four hundred dollars per volume : Provided, also, That the materials which shall compose each successive volume shall, before any appropriation is hereafter made for the cost of the same, be submitted to, and approved by, the Secretary of State for the time being: And provided, also, That the parties who stipulated, by articles of agreement dated the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, to publish the "Documentary History of the American Revolution." shall, within ten days from the passage of this act, deliver to the Secretary of State a written agreement, to be by him accepted and approved, adopting as part of the said original articles the restrictions and limitations in these provisoes contained, and making the same legally binding and operative, as portions of the said original articles, in all respects as if they had been in terms incorporated into the same.

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Officers of old internal revenue and direct tax.

J. Russ and S. J. Roach.

1836, ch. 23.

Lighting Pennsylvania avenue. City watch.

Books ordered by House of Representatives.

Expenses under act to remit duties on goods destroyed by fire. Act of July 7, 1838, ch. 174.

Late commercial agent at St. Christopher's.

Sugar manual and apparatus for the customhouses.

Documentary History.

Indexing docu-

the office of the First Comptroller and the office of the Secretary of the Treasury, eight hundred dollars.

For paying balance of expenses, in full, for negotiating the loans authorized by the acts of twenty-first July, eighteen hundred and fortyone, and fifteenth April, eighteen hundred and forty-two, ten thousand dollars.

Patent Office.—For the purchase of such scientific books as are necessary for the use of the Patent Office, to be paid out of the patent fund, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For the collection of agricultural statistics, and for other agricultural purposes, to be paid out of the patent fund, two thousand dollars.

To defray the expenses of taking care of and preserving the botanical and horticultural specimens brought home by the squadron of the Exploring Expedition under the direction and control of the Joint Committee on the Library, twelve hundred dollars.

For the removal of the statue of Washington, from its present position, and permanently placing the same on a proper pedestal, and covering it temporarily in the enclosed and cultivated public grounds east of the Capitol, directly in front of the main entrance and steps of the east front of the Capitol, as suggested in the report of the Joint Committee on the Library, and in the letter of Mr. Greenough, dated February third, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, referred to and reported by said committee in connection with the memorial of Horatio Greenough, under the direction and supervision of the said Greenough, the sum of five thousand dollars.

Light-House Establishment.—For supplying the light-houses, containing two thousand six hundred and seventy-eight lamps, with oil, tube-glasses, wicks, buffskins, whiting, and cotton cloth, transportation, and keeping apparatus in order, one hundred and five thousand one hundred and ninety dollars and thirty cents.

To reimburse the Chamber of Commerce at Philadelphia, the expense incurred by them in continuing the light on the breakwater near Cape Henlopen, a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars.

For repairs, refitting, and improvements of light-houses, and buildings connected therewith, ninety-nine thousand eight hundred and seventy-one dollars and forty-two cents.

For compensation of two hundred and thirty-six keepers of lighthouses, eighteen of them being charged with double lights, and one with three, ninety-three thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight dollars.

For compensation of thirty keepers of floating lights, sixteen thousand dollars.

For seamen's wages, repairs, and supplies of thirty floating lights, sixty-six thousand four hundred and twenty dollars and eighty-four cents.

For weighing, mooring, cleansing, repairing, and supplying the loss of beacons, buoys, chains, and sinkers, twenty-four thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars and sixty-four cents.

For rebuilding the beacon at Black Rock, Connecticut, ten thousand dollars.

For expenses of examining annually and reporting the condition of the light-houses, four thousand dollars.

For superintendents' commissions, at two and one half per cent., ten thousand two hundred and fifty dollars and eighty-five cents.

For the completion of the repairs of the Potomac bridge, three thousand five hundred dollars.

Surveys of Public Lands.—For completing the survey of private land claims in Alabama, and their connection with the adjacent public lands, at a rate not exceeding eight dollars per mile, being in addition to the appropriation made for a similar object by the act of April sixth.

Negotiating loans.

1841, ch. 3. 1842, ch. 26. Patent Office. Books.

Agricultural statistics.

Botanical and horticultural specimens brought home by exploring expedition. Statue of Washington.

Light-house establishment. Supplies.

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Repairs.

Compensation.

Floating lights.

Buoys, &c.

Black Rock.

Annual examination.

Superintendents' commissions.

Potomac bridge.

Land surveys

in Alabama.

1838, ch. 54.

one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and including a deficiency in the existing appropriation of three thousand three hundred and seventeen dollars and seventy-six cents, to pay for work already completed and returned, five thousand eight hundred dollars.

For completing the retracing of certain old surveys in the State of Mississippi, at a rate not exceeding eight dollars per mile, in addition to the unexpended balance of the appropriation of May eight, one thousand eight hundred and forty, for the survey of private land claims, and connecting the same with the adjacent public lands, south of the thirtyfirst degree of latitude, at the same rate, eleven thousand one hundred dollars.

For completing the surveys in Missouri, in the towns named in the act of May twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, in addition to the unexpended balance of the appropriation of March third, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, for a similar object, and including office work, four thousand dollars.

For surveying the public lands, in addition to the unexpended balance of former appropriations, to be apportioned to the several surveying districts according to the exigencies of the public service, forty thousand dollars.

For the survey of small detached tracts situated in Illinois and Missouri, principally in the military district of Illinois, at a rate not exceeding six dollars per mile, and including office work, three thousand dollars.

Intercourse with Foreign Nations.—For salaries of the ministers of the United States to Great Britain, France, Russia, Prussia, Austria, Spain, Mexico, and Brazil, seventy-two thousand dollars.

For salaries of the secretaries of legation to the same places, sixteen thousand dollars.

For salaries of the chargés des affaires to Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, Belgium, Chili, Peru, Venezuela, New Grenada, Texas, Naples, and Sardinia, fifty-four thousand dollars.

For outfits of a minister to France, and of a chargé d'affaires to Denmark, thirteen thousand five hundred dollars.

For salary of the minister resident to Turkey, six thousand dollars. For salary of a drogoman to the legation to Turkey, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation to a commissioner to the Sandwich Islands, three thousand dollars.

For the contingent expenses of all the missions abroad, twenty thousand dollars.

For the contingent expenses of foreign intercourse, thirty thousand dollars.

For the salary of the consul at London, two thousand dollars.

For the salary of a consul at Beyroot, five hundred dollars.

For the relief and protection of American seamen in foreign countries, fifty thousand dollars.

For clerk hire, office rent, and other expenses of the office of the American consul at London, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the expenses of intercourse with the Barbary Powers, fifteen thousand dollars.

For defraying the expenses attending the conveyance and forwarding, by land, and of the receipt and delivery, of mails, letters and despatches at and between Chagres and Panama, including the compensation to an agent of the United States at each of said places for the above purposes, one thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State.

**Post Office Department.**—For the service of the General Post Office for the year commencing on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and Mississippi. 1840, ch. 22.

Missouri. 1824, ch. 184. 1841, ch. 35.

The several districts.

Illinois and Missouri.

Foreign intercourse. Ministers.

Secretaries of legation.

Chargés des affaires.

Outfits.

Minister to Turkey. Drogoman.

Commissioner to the Sandwich islands. Contingent expenses.

Consul at London. Consul at Beyroot. American seamen abroad. Consulate at London. Barbary powers. Transmission of letters be-

of letters between Chagres and Panama.

Post Office Department. Act of July 2, 1836, ch. 270. forty-three, in conformity to the act of second July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, four million five hundred and forty-five thousand dollars, viz:

For transportation of the mail, three million one hundred and ninety five thousand dollars.

For compensation of postmasters, nine hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

For ship, steamboat, and way-letters, twenty-two thousand dollars.

For wrapping paper, eighteen thousand dollars.

For office furniture (for the offices of postmasters) seven thousand dollars.

For advertising, thirty-two thousand dollars.

For mail bags, eighteen thousand dollars.

For blanks, thirty thousand dollars.

For mail locks, keys, and stamps, nine thousand dollars.

For mail depredations and special agents, twenty-eight thousand dollars: *Provided*, That no special or travelling Post Office agent shall receive a higher compensation than one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars per annum, and in addition thereto, two dollars per day for his travelling expenses.

For clerks for offices (for the offices of postmasters) two hundred and ten thousand dollars.

For miscellaneous items, fifty-six thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the President and the Postmaster General shall have the same power to transfer funds from one to another head of appropriation, of the foregoing appropriations, made for the service of the General Post Office, as the President and any other head of an Executive Department now have to transfer funds appropriated under one head to the service of another, in any other branch of the public service.

For taking down the two old furnaces in the crypt under the rotundo, and building two new ones, cutting out the necessary flues, and doing other work connected therewith, according to a proposition of John Skirving, under date of February first, eighteen hundred and forty-three, the sum of one thousand four hundred and fifty-four dollars.

For constructing two furnaces under each end of the first story of the centre of the Capitol, for warming the rooms and passages upon and above said first story, including the Congress library room, according to the proposition of John Skirving to the chairman of the Committee on Public Buildings, seven thousand nine hundred and seventy-three dollars.

For annual repairs of the Capitol, attending furnaces and water-closets, lamp-lighting, oil, laborers on the Capitol grounds, tools, keeping iron pipes and wooden fences in order, attending at the western gates, gardener's salary, and top dressing for plants, for the eighteen months ending thirtieth June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, eleven thousand two hundred and thirty-one dollars and fifty cents.

For annual repairs at the President's house, gardener's salary, laborers, tools, and top dressing for plants, for the eighteen months ending thirtieth June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, three thousand seven hundred and thirty-four dollars and twenty-five cents.

For the amount due for work and materials on the Treasury building, on the General Post Office, and the bridge on Pennsylvania avenue, seven thousand and four dollars and forty-four cents.

For iron-railing and gates on the lower terrace of the Treasury building, and tripods and lamps on the blocking in front of the portico, three thousand seven hundred dollars.

For tripods with lamps, for the blocking in front of the General Post Office, two hundred dollars.

For repairing damage to iron pipes by freshet, seven hundred and thirty-three dollars and fifty-one cents

Transportation. Compensation.

Ship letters, &cc. Wrapping paper. Office furniture. Advertising. Mail bags. Blanks. Mail locks. Depredations, &cc. Proviso.

Miscellaneous.

Power of transferring funds.

Furnaces in the Capitol.

Capitol, grounds, &c.

President's house, grounds, &c.

Treasury,Post Office, &c.

Treasury.

Post Office.

Iron pipe.

For materials and work for bulkhead frames and doors and windows in the cellar of the Capitol, two hundred and twenty-one dollars.

For marble basin at the fountain on the terrace of the Capitol, one hundred and twenty dollars.

For pay of James Kelly, amount allowed him by the commissioners under the resolution of Congress, fifty dollars and forty-four cents.

For preparing and publishing charts, and otherwise carrying into effect the act of August twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, for publishing an account of the discoveries of the exploring expedition, under the supervision and direction of the Joint Committee on the Library, twenty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That in case the sum appropriated for any object of contingencies, should be found more than sufficient to meet the expense thereby contemplated, the surplus may be applied under the direction of the head of the proper department, to supply the deficiency of any other item in the same department or office : Provided, That the expenditure for newspapers and periodicals shall not exceed the amount specifically appropriated to that object by this act, except in the State Department.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

# CHAP. CI.-An Act for the relief of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, in the Territory of Wiskonsan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the township of land, containing twenty-three thousand and forty acres, (or whatever quantity now remains to them,) lying on the east side of Winnebago lake, in the Territory of Wisconsin, which, by the proviso of a treaty made with the Menomonie Indians on the seventeenth day of February, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-one, and ratified on the ninth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, was reserved for the use of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, and which, by a subsequent treaty with the Menomonie tribe, bearing date twenty-seventh October, eigh-teen hundred and thirty-two, and ratified thirteenth March, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, was further secured to the said Stockbridge tribe of Indians, may be partitioned and divided among the different individuals composing said tribe of Stockbridge Indians, and may be held by them, separately and severally, in fee simple, after such division shall have been made in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That, for the purpose of making Board of compartition and division of said lands among the individuals of said tribe missioners to of Stockbridge Indians, a board of commissioners shall be constituted, to consist of five of the principal or head men of said tribe, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business, whose duty it shall be to make a just and fair partition and division of said lands among the members of said tribe, or among such of them as, by the laws and customs and regulations of said tribe, are entitled to the same, and in such proportions and in such manner as shall be consistent with equity and justice, and in accordance with the existing laws, customs, usages, or agreements of said tribe.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That, for the purpose of electing or choosing said board of commissioners, a meeting of said tribe shall be held at their church or principal public place, on the reservation of land aforesaid, on the first Monday in April, eighteen hundred and fortythree, at which all the male members of said tribe, over the age of twenty-one years, shall be allowed to vote for such commissioners; and the said five commissioners shall then and there be elected or chosen by the said tribe, by a majority of the whole number of such voters then

Capitol.

Fountain.

J. Kelly.

Charts of the exploring expedition. 1842, ch. 204.

Application of surplus appropropriations.

Proviso.

STATUTE III. March 3, 1843.

1846, ch. 85.

Land reserved for Stockbridge Indians may be divided.

make the division, how constituted.

Manner of electing the commissioners.

And the judge of the district in which said lands are situated present. (or, in his absence, the register of the land office at Green Bay, or the commanding officer of the United States troops at Fort Howard) shall attend at the time and place aforesaid, and preside at said meeting, superintend the said election, and see that the proceedings are fairly conducted. And the said presiding officer may, in his discretion, prescribe whether the said election shall be by ballot or viva voce, and shall, in other respects, cause the proceedings to be conducted in such a manner as to ensure a fair and proper choice or election; and after the said commissioners shall have been so chosen or elected, the said presiding officer shall immediately certify that fact, setting forth the names of the commissioners who shall be elected, and shall make two copies of said certificate, one of which he shall file in the office of the register of the land district at Green Bay, and the other he shall transmit by mail to the President of the United States.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That after the said commissioner shall have been elected or chosen as above prescribed, and as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, they shall proceed to make partition and division of all the lands aforesaid, among the individual members of said tribe, or among such of them as, by the laws, customs, usages, or agreements of said tribe, are justly entitled to the same, and in such way and manner, and upon such principles, and in such proportions, as shall be agreeable to equity and justice, and consistent with the laws, usages, customs, and agreements of said tribe: Provided, however, That the buildings and improvements, and the farms on which the same are situated, which are now held or possessed in severalty by the members of said tribe, shall, so far as the same can consistently be done, be allotted or apportioned to the present occupants; and that no person or individual of said tribe shall be dispossessed or deprived of the improvements or land which they now occupy, unless it shall be found by the said commissioners that such person or persons are in possession of and occupying more land than they are justly entitled to, and then the overplus may be apportioned to others.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That after the said commissioners shall have made such partition and division as aforesaid, they shall make, or cause to be made, a full report of their proceedings in the premises, setting forth the name of each person to whom they have apportioned any part of said land, the quantity apportioned or allotted to each, with the metes and bounds, or other definite description of each several piece or parcel of land; and they shall accompany the said report with a fair and accurate map of the whole, showing the divisions and partitions aforesaid; which report and map, or a true copy thereof, shall be deposited with the town clerk of said tribe, on or before the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-three, and shall remain open for inspection to all for the space of twenty days thereafter; and if any member or members of said tribe shall object to the partition or division so made by the said commissioners, or shall deem himself or themselves aggrieved thereby, he or they may, within ten days thereafter, give notice thereof to the said commissioners, who shall, within twenty days thereafter, meet to hear and determine such grievances, and take testimony, if necessary, and, after such hearing, shall have power to alter or modify such partition, if, in their judgment, any alteration or modification is necessary, in order to do equal and exact justice to all parties interested.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That, after the said report shall be finally completed, the commissioners shall cause three fair copies of the said report, and of the map accompanying the same, as finally agreed upon and settled, to be made and signed by said commissioners, one copy of which shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of said

How the division shall be made.

Proviso.

Commiss'rs to make a report of their proceedings, with a map.

Mode of proceeding in case of the division being unsatisfactory.

Three copies of report and map to be made and disposed of, how. Territory, one copy in the office of the clerk of the county within which said lands are situated, and the other shall be transmitted to the President of the United States, who shall thereupon cause patents to be issued to the several individuals named in said report, for the lands so apportioned to them respectively, by which the said persons shall be authorized to hold the said land in fee simple, to themselves and their heirs and assigns.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That the said report and map shall be filed with the Secretary of said Territory, and in the clerk's office of said county, and shall also be transmitted to the President, on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-four; and, after the same shall have been filed and transmitted to the President as aforesaid, the said Stockbridge tribe of Indians, and each and every of them, shall then be deemed to be, and from that time forth are hereby declared to be, citizens of the United States, to all intents and purposes, and shall be entitled to all the rights, privileges, and immunities of such citizens, and shall, in all respects, be subject to the laws of the United States and of the Territory of Wisconsin, in the same manner as other citizens of said Territory; and the jurisdiction of the United States and of said Territory shall be extended over the said township or reservation now held by them, in the same manner as over other parts of said Territory; and their rights as a tribe or nation, and their power of making or executing their own laws, usages, or customs, as such tribe, shall cease and determine : Provided, however, That nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to deprive them of the right to any annuity now due them from the State of New York or the United States, but they shall be entitled to receive any such annuity, in the same manner as though this act had not been passed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

# CHAP. CII.—An Act granting a pension to certain revolutionary soldiers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the widow of any person who served in the war of the Revolution in the manner set forth in the act approved the seventh day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, entitled "An act supplementary to the act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," and whose widow, in virtue of an act approved the seventh day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An act granting half pay and pen-sions to certain widows," and an act approved the twenty-third day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, amendatory thereof, and a resolution approved the sixteenth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, entitled "A resolution declarative of the pension act of July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight," received, or is entitled to an annuity or pension for the term of five years from the fourth of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, shall be entitled to receive the same annuity or pension which she received, or is entitled to receive, under said acts or said resolution, or either of them, for and during the further term of one year from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, or during such portion of said term as said widow shall survive, subject in all respects, however, to the rules, limitations, and conditions, in and by said acts and resolution made and provided.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of three hundred and eighty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay the annuities or pensions in and by this act granted.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

Patents to be issued.

Disposition of the report and map to be made on or before 1st January 1844; after which the Indians shall be citizens of the United States.

Proviso.

# STATUTE III.

March 3, 1843.

Pensions to certain widows continued for one year.

1832, ch. 126. 1838, ch. 189. 1842, ch. 191. Resolution of April 16, 1842.

Appropriation therefor.

STATUTE III.

# March 3, 1843.

Act of Jan. 18, 1837, ch. 5. Act of Aug.23, 1842, ch. 185. Act of 18th Jan. 1837, continued for two vears.

Proviso.

Proviso.

CHAP. CHI. An Act further to continue in force the act for the payment of horses and other property lost in the military service of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of horses and other property lost in the military service of the United States," approved on the eighteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and which has been continued in force until the end of the present session of Congress, be, and the same is hereby, continued in force for two years from and after the end of the present session of Congress : Provided, That at the end of the last aforesaid term of two years, all claims intended to be provided for by said act, shall be forever barred and irrecoverable before any tribunal whatever: Provided further, That in making proof of the loss of a horse, under the provisions of the aforesaid act, for want of forage, the additional proof of hard service connected therewith, shall not be construed to invalidate the proof of such loss by reason of the failure of the Government to furnish forage, the proof of want of forage being satisfactory.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

# **RESOLUTIONS.**

Jan. 20, 1843. No. 1. Joint Resolution for the distribution of catalogues of the library of Congress.

Distribution.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That of the copies of the Catalogue of the Library of Congress last published, now remaining on hand, there be distributed by the librarian one copy to each of the colleges and universities in the United States that has not already been furnished with the same and to each person entitled to the use of the library,

APPROVED, January 20, 1843.

#### Feb. 18, 1843.

# No. 2. Joint Resolution to establish agencies for water-rotted hemp.

Agencies to be established in Kentucky and Missouri.

Proviso.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish an agency in the State of Kentucky, and an agency in the State of Missouri, for the inspection, test, and purchase of water-rotted hemp for the use of the American navy: Provided, That domestic hemp shall not cost more than foreign hemp of the same quality in the seaport towns of the United States.

APPROVED, February 18, 1843.

### Feb. 24, 1843.

sixth census.

No. 3. A Resolution for the distribution of certain copies of the Census returns and of the Compendium of the Sixth Census.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United Distribution of States of America in Congress assembled, That of the extra copies of the Census returns for eighteen hundred and forty, and of the Compendium of the said Census now remaining on hand, there be retained until further order two hundred copies of each; and that the residue of said Census returns and Compendium there be distributed, in the same manner as the laws of Congress are distributed, two hundred and fifty copies of each to the Secretary of State for his department and for distribution, in like manner by him, to ministers and diplomatic agents of this Go-

vernment and of foreign Governments, and to universities, colleges, and literary institutions now entitled to receive congressional documents, printed by order of either House, allowing one copy of each work to each; that the said Secretary in like manner distribute of said residue to the Library of Congress the same number of copies of each as it is entitled to receive of said congressional documents, and for the same purposes; to the library of the Senate three copies of each work; to the library of the House of Representatives three copies of each work; to every other department, bureau, public office or officer now entitled to receive congressional documents as aforesaid, one copy of each work, for preservation in such department, bureau or office; to every other person, body politic and functionary now entitled to receive congressional documents as aforesaid, one copy of each work; and that the said Secretary of State distribute the remaining copies of each work aforesaid to the several States, Territories, and District of Columbia in proportion to their respective population, in the same manner as the laws of Congress are apportioned and distributed; and that of the extra copies of each Census taken before eighteen hundred and forty, all over fifty copies (if so many remain on hand) be distributed to said States, Territories and District in like proportion and in like manner.

APPROVED, February 24, 1843.

# No. 4. Joint Resolution directing certain papers relating to titles to land in Louisiana, to be returned to the General Land Office.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and they are hereby, instructed to furnish to the Commissioner of the General land office, the original reports from the several Land Offices in the State of Louisiana, made under the provisions of an act entitled "An act for the final adjustment of claims to land in the State of Louisiana," approved February sixth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five; also the title-papers and evidence relating to claims in said reports, confirmed by an act entitled "An act confirming certain land claims in Louisiana," approved July sixth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two: Provided, That claimants shall be entitled to withdraw their original title-papers after fair copies shall have been taken by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

# No. 5. Joint Resolution, in relation to certain property purchased for the United March 3, 1843. States in the city of Detroit.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall have charge of the banking house, with the appurtenances, late of the Bank of Michigan, situate in the city of Detroit, in the State of Michigan, purchased for the United States by direction of the Solicitor of the Treasury; and he shall have power to set apart the said premises for the use of the courts of the United States, the officers of such courts, and the post office in the said city of Detroit, and for such other public uses as he may judge to be expedient and proper, until the further order of Congress in the premises.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

Distribution of each previous census.

March 3, 1843.

Certain papers to be returned to the General Land Office.

1835. ch. 17.

1842, ch. 50. Proviso.

Banking house, &c. to be set apart for U.S. courts and post-office at Detroit.

March 3, 1843.

Clerk author-

ized by act 26th August 1842,

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nued.

No. 6. Joint Resolution for continuing an additional clerk in the Second Auditor's office.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provision contained in the act of twenty-sixth August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, "legalizing and making appropriations for such necessary objects as have been usually included in the general appropriation bills without other authority of law, and for other purposes," for one additional clerk in the Second Auditor's office at one thousand dollars, be, and the same is, continued until the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

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Mode of issuing patents to the heirs of persons entitled to bounty lands. No. 7. Joint Resolution relating to patents for bounty lands.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where an officer or soldier of the revolutionary war, or a soldier of the last war, was entitled to bounty land, has died before obtaining a patent for the land, and where application is made by a part only of the heirs of such deceased officer or soldier for such bounty land, it shall be the duty of the proper officers of the War Department to issue the warrant or patent in the name of the heirs of such deceased officer or soldier, without specifying each; and the patent so issued in the name of the heirs, generally, shall inure to the benefit of the whole, in such portions as they are severally entitled to by the laws of descent in the State or Territory where the officer or soldier belonged at the time of his death. APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

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