

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.

Quantity of land to be entered by a settler.

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

Terms of the relinquishment not affected by this act.

STATUTE III.

March 3, 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.

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

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.

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

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.

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

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

STATUTE III.

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 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.*

[Obsolete.]

*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,

Appropriations.

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