marines engaged in any service, the hardships or disadvantages of which shall, in his judgment, render such an addition necessary.

Approved, April 18, 1814.

chap. lxxxv.—an act supplemental to an act, entitled "an act for ascertaining the titles and claims to lands in that part of Louisiana which lies east of the river Mississippi and island of New Orleans."

be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the time for delivering notices and the evidences of claims to lands as required by the act to which this is a supplement, be, and the same hereby is extended until the first day of September next.

sec. 2. and be it further enacted, that it shall be the duty of the commissioners appointed under the act aforesaid, to receive such evidences as to them may be offered in support of any claims which may not be embraced by said act, and to report the same, together with those referred to in the first section of this act, on or before the first day of November next, to the commissioner of the General Land Office, to be by him laid before Congress at their next session.

sec. 3. and be it further enacted, that the commissioner for the district east of Pearl river and west of the Perdido be, and he is hereby authorized and required to receive and make report as aforesaid on all claims to lands lying east of the river Tombigbee.

approved, April 18, 1814.

chap. lxxxvii.—an act to fix the compensation of the clerks employed in the offices of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives.

be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that in lieu of the annual compensations of the clerks employed in the office of the secretary of the Senate and in the office of the clerk of the House of Representatives, as now fixed by law, there shall be allowed to the principal clerk in each of said offices fifteen hundred dollars, and to each of the engrossing clerks employed in said offices twelve hundred and fifty dollars per annum, to be paid quarter-yearly out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

sec. 2. and be it further enacted, that this act shall take effect from and after the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

approved, April 18, 1814.

chap. xcI.—an act to amend the act laying duties on licenses to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors and foreign merchandise, and for other purposes.

be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, that nothing contained in the first section of the act laying duties on licenses to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise, shall be construed to extend to physicians who keep on hand medicines solely for the purpose of making up their own prescriptions for their own patients, nor shall any physician, surgeon, or chemist, for vending, solely in his practice, medicines to his patients, be subjected to take out license as a retail dealer in foreign merchandise.
Licenses for these purposes already given to be cancelled, and the money paid to be returned.

Upon the sale or transfer of a licensed still, the right of using it to accrue to the new proprietor.

In case of a licensed still being burnt, the duties to be returned.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That where any collector shall have required any physician, surgeon, or chemist, vending medicine exclusively to his patients in his practice, to take out license as a retail dealer in foreign merchandise, every such collector is hereby authorized and required to cancel every such license and to re-pay any money received for the same, and in every case where the money has not been received to grant a release for the same.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That upon the sale or transfer of any licensed still or boiler, or other vessel used in distillation, the right of using the same, during the term for which such license shall remain in force, shall accrue to the new proprietor or possessor, entry of such sale or transfer having been previously made at the office of the collector for the district by the person selling or transferring the same, and the same having been endorsed on the original license.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That in case any still, boiler, or other vessel used in distillation, shall be burnt or otherwise destroyed, the collector for the district wherein the same shall have been situate, shall be empowered, and is hereby directed, to remit such portion of the duties which may have been bonded for the license granted therefor, and shall at the time of the burning or destruction thereof, remain unpaid, as would have accrued for the time between such burning or destruction, and the expiration of the period for which such license was granted:

Provided, That previous to such remission, the said burning or destruction shall be verified, under the oath or affirmation of the owner or superintendent of such still, boiler, or other vessel, before a judge or justice of the peace residing within the said district:

And provided, That the said judge or justice shall endorse on said certificate his belief of the facts therein set forth, and that the burning or destruction did not arise from a fraudulent intent to defraud the revenue, and in case of such remission of duties, the license previously granted for such still, boiler, or other vessel used in distillation, shall be of no further avail.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That in case any person or persons, to whom a license for retailing may be granted, shall die before the commencement or during the period thereof, the heirs, executors, or administrators of such person or persons shall be authorized to retail under the same; and any person to whom a license for retailing shall be granted, may, on application in writing to the collector for the district, have the same transferred to any other person in the same collection district; in which several cases it shall be the duty of the collector to endorse on the said licenses a certificate of such transfer, without which certificate this provision shall be of no avail.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That in case any person or persons, to whom a license for employing a still in distilling spirituous liquors may be granted, shall die before the commencement or during the period thereof, the heirs, executors, or administrators of such person or persons shall be authorized to employ the same for the unexpired period of such license:

Provided, An application previous to using the same be made in writing by the said heirs, executors, or administrators to the collector for the district, and that a certificate of such transfer be endorsed thereon by him, without which certificate this provision shall be of no avail.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of any person to whom a license for retailing may have been granted, to produce and exhibit the same on the demand of the collector for the district made at the place of retailing, for refusing to do which said person shall forfeit the sum of one hundred dollars.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That in case of the sickness or temporary inability of a collector to discharge such of his duties as cannot under existing laws be discharged by a deputy, they may be devolved by him on a deputy:

Provided, Information thereof be immediately
communicated to the Commissioner of the Revenue, and the same shall be approved by him; And provided, That the responsibility of the collector, or his sureties, to the United States, shall not be thereby impaired.

SEC. 9. And be it further enacted, That in case a collector shall die, resign, or be removed, the deputy in his service, at the time immediately preceding, who shall have been longest employed by him, may and shall, until a successor is appointed, discharge all the duties of said collector.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That all letters and packets to and from the Commissioner of the Revenue, of whatever weight, shall be received and conveyed by the mail, free of postage.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

CHAP. XCII.—An Act making additional appropriations for the service of the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of six hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses which have been or may be incurred in building and equipping vessels of war on lakes Ontario and Champlain, to be paid, first, out of the balances of appropriations for the support of the navy remaining unexpended at the end of the year one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, and secondly, out of the surplus of any other appropriation which may, in the opinion of the President, be transferred to that object without injury to the public service.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That for defraying the expense of additional clerks in the offices of the Secretary of the Treasury, Comptroller, and Auditor of the United States, the following sums, in addition to the sum already appropriated, be, and they are hereby appropriated: For the office of the Secretary of the Treasury, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars; for the office of the Comptroller, seven hundred dollars; and for the Auditor's office, one thousand dollars; which several sums shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That in addition to the sums already appropriated to those objects, the sum of one hundred and eighty-nine thousand two hundred and ninety-one dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the bounty, subsistence, clothing, and other expenses of the marine corps, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the sum of one hundred and twenty-two thousand seven hundred dollars be appropriated for the bounty and pay of seamen for the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, in addition to the sum already appropriated, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

CHAP. XCIII.—An Act concerning certificates of confirmation of claims to lands in the state of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where certificates of confirmation to lands lying in either of the land districts established by law in the state of Louisiana, have been issued agreeably with the provisions of the act, entitled "An act respecting claims to lands in the territories of Orleans and Louisiana," passed the third [day of] March, one thousand eight hundred and seven, and which were directed to be filed with the proper register of the land office within twelve