of the several ports, shall be paid for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, as if they had been specifically included in the third section of the act of the second of March, of said year, entitled "An act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of government, for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-three." Provided, however, that in no case shall the compensation of any other officers than collectors, naval officers and surveyors, whether by salaries, fees, or otherwise, exceed the sum of two thousand dollars each per annum; nor shall the union of any two or more of these officers in one person entitle him to receive more than the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum; and provided, also, that no officer shall receive under this act a greater annual salary or compensation than was paid to such officer for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two; provided, however, that the number of officers to be employed in any of the custom-houses shall not be augmented beyond those now in service; and provided further, that the said collectors, naval officers and surveyors shall render an account quarterly to the treasury, and the other officers herein named or referred to shall render an account quarterly to the respective collectors of the customs where they are employed, to be forwarded to the treasury, of all the fees and emoluments whatever by them respectively received, and of all expenses incident to their respective offices, which accounts shall be rendered on oath or affirmation, and shall be in such form, and be supported by such proofs, to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, as will in his judgment best enforce the provisions of this section, and show its operation and effect.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That no payment of the money, appropriated by this act, or any other act passed at the present session of Congress, shall be made in the note or notes of any bank which shall not be at par value at the place where such payment may be made, provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to make any thing but gold and silver a tender in payment, of any debt due from the United States to individuals.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the secretary of the Senate be, and he hereby is, directed to pay, out of the fund appropriated by law for the pay of members of Congress, to Elisha R. Potter, of the state of Rhode Island, such compensation as is allowed by law to members of Congress, for his travel from his place of residence to the city of Washington, to claim a seat in the Senate, and for his return and also the per diem compensation for the days he was in actual attendance at the seat of government from the commencement of the present session of Congress, until the final decision by the Senate against his right to the seat so claimed by him.

Approved, June 27, 1834.

CHAP. XCV.—An Act concerning the gold coins of the United States, 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 gold coins of the United States shall contain the following quantities of metal, that is to say: each eagle shall contain two hundred and thirty-two grains of pure gold, and two hundred and fifty-eight grains of standard gold; each half eagle one hundred and sixteen grains of pure gold, and one hundred and twenty-nine grains of standard gold; each quarter eagle shall contain fifty-eight grains of pure gold, and sixty-four and a half grains of standard gold; every such eagle shall be of the value of ten dollars; every such half eagle shall be of the value of five dollars; and every such quarter eagle shall be of the value of two dollars and fifty cents; and the
Gold and silver deposited for coinage to be paid for within five days.

Proviso.

Rate at which gold coin shall be receivable.

Gold coins to be set apart for assay.

Proviso.

Act to be in force after July 31, 1834.

STATUTE I.

June 28, 1834.

CHAP. XCVI.—An Act regulating the value of certain foreign gold coins within 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 thirty-first day of July next, the following gold coins shall pass as current as money within the United States, and be receivable in all payments, by weight, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the rates following, that is to say: the gold coins of Great Britain, Portugal, and Brazil, of not less than twenty-two carats fine, at the rate of ninety-four cents and eight-tenths of a cent per pennyweight; the gold coins of France nine-tenths fine, at the rate of ninety-three cents and one-tenth of a cent per pennyweight; and the gold coins of Spain, Mexico, and Colombia, of the fineness of twenty carats three grains and seven-sixteenths of a grain, at the rate of eighty-nine cents and nine-tenths of a cent per pennyweight.

Proviso.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to cause assays of the aforesaid gold coins,