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. 21, 1842.

Appropriations
for the half year
ending 30th
June 1843.

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 ex-
pressed, 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 dol-

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 hun-
dred dollars.

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

For compensation of the President of the United States, twelve thou-
sand 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;

Contingent
expenses.

Library of
Congress.

Contingent
expenses.

Purchase of
books.

President
of United
States.

State Depart-
ment.

Secretary, &c.

Contingent
expenses.

Laws.

N. E. execu-
tive building.

Contingent
expenses.
For fuel and light, seven hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, three hundred and fifty dollars.

Treasury Department.—For compensation of the Secretary of the Treasury, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant messenger, in his 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 seventy-five dollars.
For compensation of the Second Comptroller, and the clerks and messenger in his office, seven thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars.
For compensation of the First Auditor, and the clerks, messenger, and assistant 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, seven thousand six hundred and twenty-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;
In the office of the First Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, one hundred dollars;
For extra clerk hire, one hundred dollars;
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;

In the office of the Second Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For extra clerk hire, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;

In the office of the Third Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For extra clerk hire, one hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, fifty dollars;

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;
For printing, twenty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, one hundred dollars;

In the office of the Fifth Auditor:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, one hundred and twenty-five dollars;
For labor, sixty-two dollars and fifty cents;
For extra clerk hire, twenty-five dollars;
For miscellaneous items, sixty-two dollars and fifty cents;

In the Treasurer's office:
For miscellaneous items, one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and fifty cents;

In the Solicitor's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For labor, fifty dollars;
For extra clerk hire, two hundred dollars;

In the Register's office:
For blank books, binding, and stationery, five hundred dollars;
For labor, one hundred and seventy-five dollars;
For printing, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars;

In the General Land Office:
For blank books, binding, stationery, and parchments, six thousand dollars;
For labor, two hundred and fifty dollars;
For printing, two thousand dollars;
For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars;
For compensation of the superintendent and eight watchmen of the southeast executive building, one thousand seven hundred dollars;
For contingent expenses of said building, viz.:
For labor, one thousand one hundred dollars;
For fuel and light, one thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars;
For miscellaneous items, eight hundred and fifty dollars.

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;

In the office of Commissioner of Indian affairs:

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

For labor, two hundred and fifty 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 dollars;

For printing, two hundred dollars;

For fuel, seventy-five dollars;

In the office of the Commanding General:

For miscellaneous items, two hundred and twenty-five 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;

In the office of the Chief Engineer:

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

For printing, fifty dollars;
Colonel of Ordnance. 

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.

Topographical Engineers.

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.

N.W. executive building.

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. 

Secretary's office.

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.

Navy Department and Docks.

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

Bureau of Construction, Equipment and Repair.

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.

Bureau of Provisions and Clothing.

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 thousand and fifty dollars.

Bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography.

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.

Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

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-eight 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. 

Postmaster General, &c.,

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 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 minter 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;
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 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 seventy-five 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;
For the district judge of New York, southern district, one thousand 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 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.
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.
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, Appalacchicola 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 offenses 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, five hundred dollars;
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 eighty-four 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 forty-four, 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 thirty-three dollars and one cent.

For compensation of two hundred and thirty-six keepers of light-houses, 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 seamen's 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.

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

For salaries of the chargés 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.

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 held 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

(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. 63.