

act, entitled "An act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes,'" and the act supplementary thereto, passed the fifth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, as may not be appointed during the present session; which appointments shall be submitted to the Senate at their next session for their advice and consent.

APPROVED, August 2, 1813.

Act of January 29, 1813, ch. 15.
Act of July 5, 1813, ch. 4.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XLVIII.—*An Act authorizing the sale of sundry lots, the property of the United States, in the borough of Pittsburg.*

August 2, 1813.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized, to cause to be sold certain lots of ground in the borough of Pittsburg, in the State of Pennsylvania, being the property of the United States, and the same on which fort Fayette now stands, the proceeds whereof are hereby appropriated, under the direction of the President, to the erection of arsenals, armories, and laboratories.

The President to cause lots in the borough of Pittsburg to be sold.

APPROVED, August 2, 1813.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XLIX.—*An Act for reducing the duties payable on prize goods captured by the private armed vessels of the United States.*

August 2, 1813.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on all goods, wares, and merchandise captured from the enemy, and made good and lawful prize of war, by any private armed ship or vessel of the United States, having a commission for making captures upon the enemy, or letters of marque and reprisal, and brought in to the United States or their territories, there shall be allowed a deduction of thirty-three and one third per cent. on the amount of duties at present imposed by law.

[Obsolete.]
Reduction of duties on prize goods.

APPROVED, August 2, 1813.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. L.—*An Act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the better regulation of the Ordnance."*

August 2, 1813.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in addition to the present number allowed by law, as many deputy commissaries of ordnance may be appointed, not exceeding five, as the President of the United States shall deem necessary to the public service, who shall be entitled to the same rank, pay, emoluments, rations, and forage, as are provided by the act to which this is a supplement.

[Obsolete.]
Act of May 14, 1812, ch. 83.
Deputy commissaries of ordnance to be appointed, not exceeding five.

APPROVED, August 2, 1813.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. LI.—*An Act authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding seven millions five hundred thousand dollars.*

August 2, 1813.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized to borrow, on the credit of the United States, a sum not exceeding seven millions five hundred thousand dollars, to be applied in addition to the moneys now in the

[Obsolete.]
President authorized to borrow 7,500,000 dollars.

Treasury, or which may be received from other sources, to defray any expenses which have been or which may be authorized for the service of the years one thousand eight hundred and thirteen and one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and for which appropriations have been or may be made by law during those years: *Provided*, That no engagement or contract shall be entered into which shall preclude the United States from reimbursing any sum or sums thus borrowed, at any time after the expiration of twelve years, from the first day of January next.

Proviso.

Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be constituted certificates of stock for the sum borrowed by virtue of this act.

Proviso.
No sale to be made at a less rate than eighty-eight dollars for one hundred dollars.

The Secretary of the Treasury may employ agents to receive subscriptions.

Compensation not to exceed one quarter of one per cent.

Appropriation of 8,000,000 dollars for the payment of the interest and reimbursement of this loan.

Commissioners of the sinking fund to pay the interest, and to repay the principal.

Banks in District of Colum-

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury, with the approbation of the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized to cause to be constituted certificates of stock, signed by the Register of the Treasury, or by a commissioner of loans, for the sum to be borrowed by this act, or for any part thereof, and the same to be sold: *Provided*, That no such certificate shall be sold at a rate less than eighty-eight per centum, or eighty-eight dollars in money for one hundred dollars in stock. And the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be laid before Congress, on the first Monday in February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, or as soon thereafter as Congress may be in session, an account of all the moneys obtained by the sale of the certificates of stock in manner aforesaid, together with a statement of the rate at which the same may have been sold.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized, with the approbation of the President of the United States, to employ an agent or agents for the purpose of obtaining subscriptions to the loan authorized by this act, or of selling any part of the stock created by virtue thereof. A commission not exceeding one quarter of one per cent. on the amount thus sold, or for which subscriptions shall have been thus obtained, may, by the Secretary of the Treasury, be allowed to such agent or agents; and a sum not exceeding twenty-two thousand dollars, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, is hereby appropriated for paying the amount of such commission or commissions as may be thus allowed, and also for defraying the expenses of printing and issuing the subscription certificates, and certificates of stock, and other expenses incident to the receiving of subscriptions, and completing the loan authorized by this act.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the funds constituting the annual appropriation of eight millions of dollars for the payment of the principal and interest of the public debt of the United States, as may be wanted for that purpose, after satisfying the sums necessary for the payment of the interest and such part of the principal of said debt as the United States are now pledged annually to pay or reimburse, is hereby pledged and appropriated for the payment of the interest, and for the reimbursement of the principal of the stock which may be created by virtue of this act. It shall accordingly be the duty of the commissioners of the sinking fund to cause to be applied and paid out of the said fund, yearly, such sum and sums as may be annually wanted to discharge the interest accruing on the said stock, and to reimburse the principal as the same shall become due and may be discharged in conformity with the terms of the loan; and they are further authorized to apply from time to time such sum or sums, out of the said fund, as they may think proper, towards redeeming by purchase, and at a price not above par, the principal of the said stock or any part thereof. And the faith of the United States is hereby pledged to establish sufficient revenues for making up any deficiency that may hereafter take place in the funds hereby appropriated for paying the said interest, and principal sums, or any of them in manner aforesaid.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for any of the banks in the District of Columbia to lend any part of the sum au-

thorized to be borrowed by virtue of this act, any thing in any of their charters of incorporation to the contrary notwithstanding.

bia may lend the money, or any part of it.

APPROVED, August 2, 1813.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. LIII.—*An Act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions.*

August 2, 1813.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the last day of December next, there shall be levied, collected, and paid throughout the United States, the several stamp duties following, viz: For every skin or piece of vellum, or parchment, or sheet, or piece of paper, upon which shall be written or printed any or either of the instruments of writing following, to wit:

December 10, 1814, chap. 11.

Duties on stamps.

On any promissory note or notes payable either to bearer or order, issued by any of the banks or companies, who issue and discount notes, bonds, or obligations, either incorporated or not incorporated, which now are or may hereafter be established in the United States, or by any banker or bankers, according to the following scale, viz:

- If not exceeding one dollar, one cent.
- If above one dollar, and not exceeding two dollars, two cents.
- If above two and not exceeding three dollars, three cents.
- If above three and not exceeding five dollars, five cents.
- If above five and not exceeding ten dollars, ten cents.
- If above ten and not exceeding twenty dollars, twenty cents.
- If above twenty and not exceeding fifty dollars, fifty cents.
- If above fifty and not exceeding one hundred dollars, one dollar.
- If above one hundred and not exceeding five hundred dollars, five dollars.

If above five hundred and not exceeding one thousand dollars, ten dollars.
If above one thousand dollars, fifty dollars.

On any bond, obligation, or promissory note or notes not issued by any bank, companies, or banker as aforesaid, discounted by any such bank, companies, or banker, and on any foreign or inland bill or bills of exchange above fifty dollars, and having one or more endorsers, according to the following scale, viz:

- If not exceeding one hundred dollars, five cents.
- If above one hundred and not exceeding two hundred dollars, ten cents.
- If above two hundred and not exceeding five hundred dollars, twenty-five cents.
- If above five hundred and not exceeding one thousand dollars, fifty cents.
- If above one thousand and not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, seventy-five cents.
- If above fifteen hundred and not exceeding two thousand dollars, one dollar.
- If above two thousand and not exceeding three thousand dollars, one dollar and fifty cents.

If above three thousand and not exceeding four thousand dollars, two dollars.

If above four thousand and not exceeding five thousand dollars, two dollars and fifty cents.

If above five thousand and not exceeding seven thousand dollars, three dollars and fifty cents.

If above seven thousand and not exceeding eight thousand dollars, four dollars.