

of Georgia equal to the amount of Mississippi stock received in payment of public lands in Mississippi territory, until, &c.

Proviso; amount of payments limited, and repayment to be made to the treasury before, &c.

to the state of Georgia, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum equal to the amount of Mississippi stock which has been or shall be received in payment of the public lands in the Mississippi territory, until the payment of one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, secured to the said state by the articles of agreement and cession between the United States and the state of Georgia shall be completed; and the money hereby appropriated shall be paid in the same manner as if the payments in the said Mississippi stock had been made in money. *Provided*, That the payments which shall be made in pursuance of this act shall not in the whole exceed three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and the same shall be repaid to the treasury out of the nett proceeds of the sale of public lands in the Mississippi territory before any of the moneys thence arising shall be paid for the redemption of the outstanding certificates of Mississippi stock.

APPROVED, March 3, 1817.

STATUTE II.

March 3, 1817.

CHAP. XXXVII.—*An Act for erecting a light-house on the west chop of Holmes's Hole harbour, in the state of Massachusetts.*

A lighthouse to be built on the west chop of Holmes's Hole, as soon as Massachusetts cedes jurisdiction, &c.

Superintendent, &c.

5,000 dolls. appropriated.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That, as soon as a cession shall be made by the state of Massachusetts to the United States of the jurisdiction over a piece of land proper for the purpose, the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and he is hereby authorized to provide, by contract, to be approved by the President of the United States, for building a light-house on the west chop of Holmes's Hole harbour in the said state, and to furnish the same with all necessary supplies; and also to agree for the salaries or wages of the person, or persons, who may be appointed by the President for the superintendance and care of the same; and the President shall be authorized to make the said appointments.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, And there shall be appropriated and paid out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of five thousand dollars for the purposes aforesaid.

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CHAP. XXXVIII.—*An Act transferring the duties of commissioner of loans to the Bank of the United States, and abolishing the office of commissioner of loans.*

The Bank of the United States, &c. to perform the duties of commissioners of loans.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the Bank of the United States, and its several branches, shall be, and they are hereby, required to do and perform the several duties of commissioners of loans for the several states; and the Bank of the United States and its several branches, and such state banks as the Bank of the United States may employ in those states where no branch bank shall be established, shall observe and conform to the directions which have been or may hereafter be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, with the approbation of the President of the United States, touching the execution of the duties aforesaid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all such duties and acts as are now done and performed by the commissioners of loans, in transferring stock from the books of one loan office to another, or to the books of the treasury, or from the books of the treasury to the books of the loan offices, shall be done and performed by the president of the Bank of the United States, the president of the several branches of the said bank, and by the president of such state banks as the Bank of the United States may employ, (in states where no branch of the United States Bank shall be