STATUTE I.

March 19, 1836.

An Act for the relief of the sufferers by the fire in the city of New York.(a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the collector of the port of New York, be and he is hereby, authorized, as he may deem best calculated to secure the interest of the United States, to cause to be extended (with the assent of the sureties thereon) to all persons who have suffered loss of property by the conflagration at that place, on the sixteenth day of December last, by the burning of their buildings or merchandise, the time of payment of all bonds heretofore given by them for duties, to periods not exceeding three, four, and five years in equal instalments from and after the day of payment specified in the bonds; or to allow the said bonds to be cancelled, upon giving to the said collector new bonds with one or more sureties, to the satisfaction of the said collector, for the sums of the former bonds, respectively, payable in equal instalments in three, four, and five years, from and after the day of payment specified in the bonds to be taken up or cancelled as aforesaid; and the said collector is hereby authorized and directed to give up, or cancel all such bonds upon the receipt of others described in this section; which last mentioned bonds shall be proceeded with, in all respects, like other bonds which are taken by collectors for duties to the United States, and shall have the same force and validity: Provided That those who are within the provision of this section, but who may have paid their bonds subsequent to the late fire, shall also be entitled to the benefit of this section, and that the said bonds shall be renewed from the day when the same were paid, and said payments refunded, if not previously put into bank to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States. And provided also, That the benefits of this section shall not be extended to any person whose loss shall not be proved to the satisfaction of the collector, to have exceeded the sum of one thousand dollars.

Time extended on other bonds.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the collector of the port of New York, is hereby authorized and directed to extend the payments in the manner prescribed in the first section of this act, of all other bonds given for duties at the port of New York prior to the late fire, and not provided for in the first section as aforesaid, for six, nine, and twelve months, from and after the date of payment specified in the bonds; which bonds when executed agreeably to the provisions of this section, shall be payable with interest, at the rate of five per centum per annum, which interest, shall be computed from the times the respective bonds would have fallen due, if this act had not passed; Provided however, That nothing contained in this act, shall extend to bonds which had fallen due before the 17th day of December last: Provided also, That if in the opinion of the collector aforesaid, any of the bonds which may be given under this act or the payment of which may be postponed, shall at any time be insecure, it shall be the duty of the said collector to require such additional security as shall be satisfactory to him, and on the failure of such additional security being furnished, the payment of such bond shall be enforced forthwith.

STATUTE I.

March 19, 1836.

An Act authorizing the Secretary of War to transfer a part of the appropriation for the suppression of Indian hostilities in Florida, to the credit of subsistence.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War

(a) An act to remit the duties upon certain goods destroyed by fire at the late conflagration in the city of New York, July 7, 1836, chap. 174.
is hereby authorized to transfer so much of the appropriation for the
suppression of Indian hostilities in Florida, to the credit of subsistence,
as may have been taken from the latter fund, for the former purpose.

Approved, March 19, 1836.

CHA. XLIV.—An Act to provide for the payment of volunteers and militia
corps, in the service of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the officers, non-com-
missoned officers, musicians, artificers and privates, of volunteer and
militia corps, who have been in the service of the United States, at any
time since the first day of November, in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, or may hereafter be in the ser-
vice of the United States, shall be entitled to and receive the same
monthly pay, rations, clothing or money in lieu thereof, and forage, and
be furnished with the same camp equipage, including knapsacks, as are,
or may be provided by law for the officers, musicians, artificers and pri-
vates, of the infantry of the army of the United States.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the officers of all mounted
companies who have been in, or may hereafter be in, the service of the
United States, shall each be entitled to receive forage, or money in lieu
thereof, for two horses, when they actually keep private servants, and
for one horse when without private servants, and that forty cents per
day be allowed for the use and risk of each horse, except horses killed
in battle or dying of wounds received in battle. That each non-com-
missoned officer, musician, artificer and private, of all mounted com-
panies, shall be entitled to receive forage in kind for one horse, with
forty cents per day for the use and risk thereof, except horses killed
in battle, or dying of wounds received in battle, and twenty-five cents per
day in lieu of forage and subsistence, when the same shall be furnished
by himself, or twelve and a half cents per day for either as the case
may be.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the officers, non-commissioned
officers, musicians, artificers and privates, shall be entitled to one
day's pay, subsistence, and other allowances, for every twenty miles'
travel from their places of residence to the place of general rendezvous,
and from the place of discharge back to their residence.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the volunteers or militia,
who have been or who may be received into the service of the United
States, to suppress Indian depredations in Florida, shall be entitled to
all the benefits which are conferred on persons wounded or otherwise
disabled in the service of the United States.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That when any officer, non-com-
missoned officer, artificer, or private, of said militia or volunteer corps,
who shall die in the service of the United States, or returning to his
place of residence after being mustered out of service or at any time
in consequence of wounds received in service, and shall leave a widow,
or if no widow, a child or children under sixteen years of age, such
widow, or if no widow, such child or children, shall be entitled to
receive half the monthly pay to which the deceased was entitled, at the
time of his death, for and during the term of five years; and in case of
the death or intermarriage of such widow before the expiration of five
years, the half pay for the remainder of the time shall go to the child or
children of said decedent: Provided always, That the Secretary of
War shall adopt such forms of evidence, in applications under this act,
as the President of the United States may prescribe.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That the volunteers and militia