

advocates, members, and witnesses; extra pay to soldiers, under an act of Congress of the second of March, eighteen hundred and nineteen; expenses of expresses from the frontier posts; of the necessary articles for the interment of non-commissioned officers and soldiers; hire of labourers; compensation to clerks in the offices of quartermasters and assistant quartermasters at posts where their duties cannot be performed without such aid, and to temporary agents in charge of dismantled works, and in the performance of other duties; expenditures necessary to keep the two regiments of dragoons complete, including the purchase of horses to supply the place of those which may be lost and become unfit for service, and the erection of additional stables, ninety-two thousand dollars.

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For two months' extra pay to re-enlisted soldiers, and for the contingent expenses of the recruiting service, twenty-four thousand two hundred and sixty-four dollars.

Extra pay to re-enlisted soldiers, &c.

For the national armories, three hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

National armories.

For the armament of the fortifications, one hundred thousand dollars.

Armament of the fortifications.

For the current expenses of the ordnance service, ninety-eight thousand dollars.

Ordnance service.
Arsenals

For arsenals, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may suffice to complete the arsenals already commenced, and those on the western frontier.

For the manufacture of elevating machines for barbette and casemate carriages, five thousand dollars.

Elevating machines, &c.

For the purchase and manufacture of light field artillery, thirty-nine thousand nine hundred and fifty-three dollars.

Light field artillery.

For the purchase of gunpowder and grape shot, thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.

Gunpowder and shot.

For arrearages payable through the office of the Second Auditor, twelve hundred dollars.

Arrearages payable by Second Auditor.

For arrearages payable through the office of the Third Auditor, three thousand dollars.

Arrearages payable by Third Auditor.

For taxes on the Passyunk arsenal, near Philadelphia, for the years eighteen hundred and thirty-seven and eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, fourteen hundred and fifty dollars.

Taxes on the Passyunk arsenal.

For contingencies of the army, five thousand dollars.

Contingencies of the army.

For paying the balance due the heirs of William Meldrum, one of the commissioners for surveying and marking the road from La Plaisance Bay to Chicago, two hundred and sixty-eight dollars and fifty-five cents.

Balance due the heirs of William Meldrum.

For paying Adam Eckfeldt, for fine gold and other expenses incurred by him in preparing nine medals ordered by Congress for various distinguished officers, one thousand and eight dollars and eighty-six cents.

Adam Eckfeldt, for expenses incurred in preparing medals.

APPROVED, April 6, 1838.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. LVI.—*An Act directing the transfer of money remaining unclaimed by certain pensioners, and authorizing the payment of the same at the Treasury of the United States.*

April 6, 1838.

1842, ch. 189, § 3.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all money which has been, or may hereafter be, transmitted to the agents for paying pensions, which may have remained, or may hereafter remain, in the hands of said agents unclaimed by any pensioner or pensioners for the term of eight months after the same may have or may become due and payable, shall be transferred to the Treasury of the United States; and that all pensions unclaimed as aforesaid, shall be thereafter payable only at the Treasury of the United States, and out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

All money after having remained in the hands of an agent unclaimed, eight months after having become due, shall be transferred to the Treas., and all pensions unclaimed, &c.

The transfer to be made by the draft of the Commiss'or of Pensions, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the transfer directed by the first section of this act shall be made by the draft of the Commissioner of Pensions upon the agents for paying pensions, and in favour of the Treasurer of the United States; and that the form of said draft shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War.

APPROVED, April 6, 1838.

STATUTE II.

April 20, 1838.

Act of May 31, 1832, ch. 112.

Clerks of circuit court D. C. required to admit to record any conveyance &c. upon certificate of two justices of peace in following form.

Form of certificate.

CHAP. LVII.—*An Act to amend the act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances, and securing the estates of purchasers, within the District of Columbia, passed the thirty-first day of May, eighteen hundred and thirty-two.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the clerks of the circuit court of the District of Columbia, and their deputies, in their respective counties, shall be, and are hereby, authorized and required to admit to record any conveyance whereby a right, title, or interest, in real estate is conveyed, or purports to be, lying within the limits of their respective counties, upon the certificate under seal of any two justices of the peace of any State or Territory of the United States, or of the District of Columbia, annexed to such deed, and to the following effect, to wit:

—County [or Corporation, &c.] to wit:

We, A B and C D, justices of the peace in and for the county [or corporation, or parish, or district,] aforesaid, in the State [or Territory, or district,] of — do hereby certify that E F, a party [or E F and G H, &c. parties,] to a certain deed, bearing date on the — day of — and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our county [or corporation, &c.] aforesaid, the said E F [or E F and G H, &c.] being personally well known to us, as [or proved by the oaths of credible witnesses before us to be] the person [or persons] who executed the said deed, and acknowledged the same to be his, [her, or their] act and deed. Given under our hands and seals, this — day of —

A. B. [SEAL.]
C. D. [SEAL.]

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Provided, That, when such acknowledgment shall be taken before any justices of the peace beyond the limits of the District of Columbia, there shall accompany such certificate of acknowledgment a certificate of the clerk or other public officer having official cognizance of the fact, under his official seal, that such persons were, at the date of their said certificate, in fact, justices as they purport to be.

All conveyances, &c. (except,) delivered to be recorded within six months, shall take effect from the time of acknowledgment, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That every conveyance, covenant, agreement and other deed, (except deeds of trust and mortgages,) which shall be acknowledged or proved, and certified, according to law, and delivered to the clerk of the proper court, to be recorded within six months after the sealing and delivery thereof, shall take effect and be valid as to all persons from the time of such acknowledgment or proof; but all deeds of trust and mortgages, whensoever they shall be delivered to the clerk of the proper court to be recorded, and all other conveyances, covenants, agreements, and deeds, which shall not be acknowledged, proved, or certified, and delivered to the clerk of the proper court to be recorded within six months after the sealing and delivering thereof, shall take effect and be valid, as to all subsequent purchasers for valuable consideration, without notice, and as to all creditors, from the time when such deed of trust or mortgage, or such other conveyance, covenant, agreement, or deed, shall have been so acknowledged, proved, or certified, and delivered to the clerk of the proper court to be recorded, and from that time only: *Provided, however*, That if two or more deeds containing the same property, after having been so acknow-

Proviso.