

Alabama, or any of the branches thereof, to an amount equal to the amount of the two per cent. fund relinquished to this State by the Congress of the United States, remaining unpaid: *Provided*, That no settler shall be allowed to enter more than one quarter section of land with the bills of said bank, or either of them: *And provided further*, That the State of Alabama shall receive from the Government of the United States, in payment of said two per cent. fund, the bills of the Bank of the State of Alabama, and the several branches thereof, taken and received by the registers and receivers, as aforesaid, from the settlers aforesaid, in payment for their pre-emption claims: *And provided further*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to change the terms, conditions, and limitations, annexed to the relinquishment of said fund to the said State, by the act aforesaid; but such terms, conditions, and limitations, shall apply and be in full force in reference to said fund, notwithstanding its payment in the mode provided by this act.

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Quantity of land to be entered by a settler.
Alabama to receive said bills in payment of the two per cent. fund.
Terms of the relinquishment not affected by this act.

STATUTE III.
March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXIX.—*An Act regulating the currency of foreign gold and silver coins in the United States. (a)*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, the following foreign gold coins shall pass current as money within the United States, and be receivable, by weight, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the rates following, that is to say: the gold coins of Great Britain, of not less than nine hundred and fifteen and a half thousandths in fineness, at ninety-four cents and six-tenths of a cent per pennyweight; and the gold coins of France, of not less than eight hundred and ninety-nine thousandths in fineness, at ninety-two cents and nine-tenths of a cent per pennyweight.

Certain gold coins of Great Britain and France to be current—their value fixed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the passage of this act, the following foreign silver coins shall pass current as money within the United States, and be receivable by tale, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the rates following, that is to say: the Spanish pillar dollars, and the dollars of Mexico, Peru, and Bolivia, of not less than eight hundred and ninety-seven thousandths in fineness, and four hundred and fifteen grains in weight, at one hundred cents each; and the five franc pieces of France, of not less than nine hundred thousandths in fineness, and three hundred and eighty-four grains in weight, at ninety-three cents each.

Silver coins of Spain, Mexico, Peru, Bolivia and France, also.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to cause assays of the coins made current by this act to be had at the mint of the United States, at least once in every year, and to make report of the result thereof to Congress.

Assays of said coins to be made and reported to Congress.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

STATUTE III.
March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXX.—*An Act making appropriations for certain fortifications of the United States for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.*

[Obsolete.]

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 they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, for the preservation, repairs, and construction of certain fortifications, for the half calendar year beginning on the first day of January and ending on the thirtieth day of June,

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(a) Notes of the acts of Congress relating to the currency of foreign coins, vol. 2, 374.

one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; and for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four:

- Fort Independence. For repairs of Fort Independence and sea-wall, Castle Island, Boston harbor, for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand dollars.
- Fort Warren. For Fort Warren, Boston harbor, for the said half calendar year, twenty-five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.
- Lovell's island. For sea-wall on Lovell's island, Boston harbor, for the said fiscal year, sixteen thousand dollars.
- Fort Adams. For Fort Adams, Rhode Island, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand dollars, and for the said fiscal year thirty thousand dollars.
- Ft. Trumbull. For rebuilding Fort Trumbull, New London harbor, Connecticut, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, forty thousand dollars.
- Fort Niagara. For repairs for Fort Niagara, New York, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars.
- Fort Ontario. For repairs of Fort Ontario, New York, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.
- Fort Schuyler. For Fort Schuyler, East river, New York, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.
- Fort Wood. For repairs of Fort Wood, Bedlow's island, New York harbor, New York, for the said fiscal year, twenty-five thousand dollars.
- Fort Hamilton. For repairs of Fort Hamilton, New York harbor, New York, for the said half calendar year, three thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifteen thousand dollars.
- Fort Washington. For repairs of Fort Washington, Potomac river, Maryland, for the said fiscal year, seven thousand five hundred dollars.
- Fort Monroe. For Fort Monroe, Virginia, for the said half calendar year, twenty-five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, fifty thousand dollars.
- Fort Macon. For repairs of Fort Macon, Beaufort harbor, North Carolina, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, seven thousand dollars.
- For preservation of site of Fort Macon, Beaufort harbor, North Carolina, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirteen thousand dollars.
- Fort Caswell. For repairs for Fort Caswell, Cape Fear river, North Carolina, for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.
- Drunken Dick shoal. For dike to Drunken Dick shoal, for preservation of Sullivan's island and site of Fort Moultrie, South Carolina, for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.
- Fort Sumter. For Fort Sumter, Charleston harbor, South Carolina, for the said fiscal year, forty-five thousand dollars.
- Fort Johnson. For preservation of site of Fort Johnson, South Carolina, for the said half calendar year, six thousand five hundred dollars.
- Fort Pulaski. For Fort Pulaski, Georgia, for the said half calendar year, thirty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.
- Fort Pickens. For Fort Pickens, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calendar year, seven thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, six thousand dollars.
- Fort McRee. For Fort McRee, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calendar year, four thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, four thousand dollars.
- Ft. Barrancas. For Fort Barrancas, Pensacola harbor, Florida, for the said half calen-

dar year, twenty-five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirty-three thousand dollars.

For repairs of Fort Morgan, Mobile point, Alabama, for the said half calendar year, eight thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, ten thousand dollars.

Fort Morgan.

For repairs of Fort Dupre, Louisiana, for the said half calendar year, three thousand five hundred dollars.

Fort Dupre.

For repairs of Fort Jackson, Mississippi river, Louisiana, for the said half calendar year, ten thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, ten thousand dollars.

Fort Jackson.

For repairs of Fort St. Philip, Mississippi river, Louisiana, for the said half calendar year, five thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, five thousand dollars.

Fort St. Philip.

For Fort Livingston, Grand Terre island, Barrataria bay, Louisiana, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand dollars; and for the said fiscal year, thirty thousand dollars.

Ft. Livingston.

For repairing and rebuilding barracks at Fort Gibson at its present site, or in the vicinity thereof, fifteen thousand dollars.

Fort Gibson.

For the completion of the works at Fort Smith, Arkansas, for the said half calendar year, twenty thousand dollars.

Fort Smith.

For completion of barracks, quarters, and storehouses, at Fort Atkinson, Turkey river, for the said half calendar year, six thousand dollars.

Fort Atkinson.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, appropriated by the act of Congress, approved ninth of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, for defensive works, barracks, and other necessary buildings, and purchase of a site for depot at or near the junction of the Mattawamkeag and Penobscot rivers, Maine, may be applied to the purchase of a site and commencement of defensive works at or near the Narrows of the Penobscot, Maine.

Narrows of the Penobscot.

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STATUTE III.

CHAP. LXXI. — *An Act declaring Robbinston in the State of Maine, to be a port of delivery.*

March 3, 1843.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the town of Robbinston, in the State of Maine, shall be a port of delivery, to be annexed to the district of Passamaquoddy, and shall be subject to the same regulations as other ports of delivery in the United States.

Robbinston made a port of delivery.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

STATUTE III.

March 3, 1843.

CHAP. LXXII. — *An Act to permit the entry of merchandise recovered from shipwreck, in certain cases, free from duty.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any ship or vessel laden with merchandise, in whole or in part, subject to duty, shall be, or shall have been, sunk in any river, harbor, bay, or waters, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, and within its limits, and shall have remained so sunk for the period of two years, and shall be abandoned by the owners thereof, any person or persons who may raise such ship or vessel, shall be permitted to bring any merchandise recovered therefrom, into the port nearest to the place where said ship or vessel was so raised, free from the payment of any duty thereupon, and without being obliged to enter the same at the custom-house, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe.

Merchandise, recovered from shipwreck, admitted free of duty.

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