

said commissioners of the sinking fund, and they are hereby required, to cause to be reimbursed and paid in manner before prescribed, such sum and sums, as, according to the right for that purpose reserved, may rightfully be paid for and towards the reimbursement or redemption of all such balances of the funded debt or stock of the United States, bearing a present interest of six per centum per annum, or which will bear a like interest, from and after the first day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and one, as stand to the credit of certain states, in consequence of an act passed on the thirty-first day of May, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four; and with the consent of the said states, such additional sums, as will render the reimbursement of the said balances equal to that made upon the residue of the said stock, at the commencement of the present year.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That, in addition to the sums already appropriated to the sinking fund, by the act, intituled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt," there shall be, and is hereby, in like manner, appropriated to the said fund, such a sum of the duties on goods, wares and merchandise imported on the tonnage of ships and vessels, and on spirits distilled in the United States and on stills, as, with the monies, which now constitute the sinking fund, and shall accrue to it, in virtue of the provisions already made by law, and the interest upon the sums which shall be annually reimbursed, will be sufficient, yearly and every year, to reimburse and pay the said balances standing to the credit of certain states, in the manner herein before prescribed and directed.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the commissioners of the sinking fund, to appoint a secretary, whose duty it shall be, to record and preserve their proceedings and documents, and to certify copies thereof, when thereunto duly required; and the said secretary shall be allowed a compensation not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, annually, for his services.

APPROVED, April 28, 1796.

CHAP. XVII.—*An Act making an Appropriation towards defraying the Expenses which may arise in carrying into effect the Treaty of Amity, Commerce and Navigation, made between the United States and the King of Great Britain.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That towards defraying the expenses which may arise in carrying into effect the treaty of amity, commerce and navigation, made between the United States and the king of Great Britain, there be appropriated a sum not exceeding eighty thousand eight hundred and eight dollars, to be paid out of the duties on impost and tonnage, to the end of the present year, not already appropriated; *Provided*, that the compensations to be allowed to any of the commissioners appointed, or to be appointed, in pursuance of any article of the said treaty, shall not exceed, to those who shall serve in Great Britain, the rate of six thousand six hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents, per annum; and to those who shall serve in the United States, the rate of four thousand four hundred and forty-five dollars, per annum.

APPROVED, May 6, 1796.

CHAP. XVIII.—*An Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses which may arise in carrying into effect the Treaty made between the United States and the King of Spain.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That for the purpose of defray-

And certain sums of balances of funded debt or stock, standing to the credit of certain states, in like manner.

Ante, p. 371.

Appropriation for the payment of said balances standing to the credit of certain states.

1795, ch. 45.

The commissioners may appoint a secretary.

His compensation.

STATUTE I.

May 6, 1796.

[Obsolete.]

Appropriation towards defraying the expenses of carrying the treaty of amity, commerce, &c. between the United States and Great Britain, into effect.

Limitation of the commissioners' compensation.

STATUTE I.

May 6, 1796.

[Obsolete.]

Appropriation for the expenses