

this act, or any other act relative to the mitigation or remission of such fines, penalties, or forfeitures; the amount of which right and claim shall be assessed and valued by the proper judge, or court, in a summary manner.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall continue in force for the term of two years, and from thence to the end of the next session of Congress, and no longer.

APPROVED, March 3, 1797.

commenced or information given.

Limitation.  
Repealed 1800,  
ch. 6.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. XIV.—*An Act to authorize the receipt of evidences of the Public Debt, in payment for the Lands of the United States.*

March 3, 1797.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the evidences of the public debt of the United States, shall be receivable in payment for any of the lands which may be hereafter sold in conformity to the act, intituled "An act providing for the sale of the lands of the United States, in the territory northwest of the river Ohio, and above the mouth of Kentucky river," at the following rates, viz.: the present foreign debt of the United States, and such debt, or stock, as, at the time of payment, shall bear an interest of six per centum per annum, shall be received at their nominal value; and the other species of debt, or stock, of the United States, shall be received at a rate bearing the same proportion to their respective market price, at the seat of government, at the time of payment, as the nominal value of the above mentioned six per centum stock shall, at the same time, bear to its market price at the same place; the Secretary of the Treasury, in all cases, determining what such market price is.

APPROVED, March 3, 1797.

[Obsolete.]  
Stock of the  
United States  
received in pay-  
ment for west-  
ern lands.

Ante, p. 464.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. XV.—*An Act to alter the time for the next meeting of Congress.*

March 3, 1797.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That after the end of the present session, the next meeting of Congress shall be on the first Monday of November, in the present year.

APPROVED, March 3, 1797.

[Obsolete.]

STATUTE II.

CHAP. XVI.—*An Act to amend and repeal, in part, the Act intituled "An Act to ascertain and fix the Military Establishment of the United States."*

March 3, 1797.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the third section of the act, passed the thirtieth of May, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, intituled "An act to ascertain and fix the military establishment of the United States," together with all other parts thereof which relate to provision made for the major general and his staff, be repealed; and that all such parts of the said act, together with so much of the twenty-third section, as may be construed to affect the Brigadier, and the whole of the eleventh section of the said act be, and are hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be one brigadier general, who may choose his brigade major and inspector, from the captains and subalterns in the line, (to each of whom there shall be allowed the monthly pay of twenty-five dollars, in addition to his pay in the line, and two rations extraordinary per day; and whenever forage shall not be furnished by the public, to ten dollars per month in lieu thereof.) That there shall be one judge advocate, who shall be taken from the

↓ [Repealed.]  
Act of May 30,  
1796, ch. 39.  
Certain sec-  
tions repealed.

Brigadier Gen-  
eral.  
Inspector.

See p. 557, post.

Judge advocate.

commissioned officers of the line, and shall be entitled to receive two rations extra per day, and twenty-five dollars per month, in addition to his pay in the line; and whenever forage shall not be furnished by the public, to ten dollars per month in lieu thereof.

Quarter master and paymaster general.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be one quartermaster general and one paymaster general, who shall receive the same pay and emoluments, respectively, which those officers have heretofore been allowed by law.

Pay of lieutenants and ensigns.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the thirtieth day of June next, the monthly pay of the lieutenants shall be thirty dollars, and that of the ensigns twenty-five dollars: That to the brigadier, while commander in chief, and to each officer, while commanding a separate post, there shall be allowed twice the number of rations to which they would otherwise be entitled.

Subsistence allowed to majors.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the majors be entitled to receive four rations per day, for their subsistence.

Allowance to officers deranged.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That to each commissioned officer, who may have been deranged under the act "to ascertain and fix the military establishment of the United States," there shall be paid the amount of six months' pay and subsistence.

Ante, p. 483.

APPROVED, March 3, 1797.

## STATUTE II.

March 3, 1797.

CHAP. XVII.—*An Act making appropriations for the Military and Naval establishments for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven.*

[Obsolete.]

Military appropriations for 1797.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That for the support of the military and naval establishments, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, the following sums be respectively appropriated; that is to say:

For the pay of the army of the United States, the sum of two hundred and fifty-six thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

For the subsistence of the officers of the army, a sum not exceeding forty-seven thousand three hundred and ninety-five dollars.

For the subsistence of the non-commissioned officers and privates, a sum not exceeding two hundred and forty-five thousand two hundred and eighty-three dollars.

For forage, the sum of fourteen thousand nine hundred and four dollars.

For clothing, a sum not exceeding eighty-three thousand and fifty dollars.

For the purchase of horses and equipments for the cavalry, sixteen thousand and eighty-five dollars.

For the hospital department, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

For the ordnance department, a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars.

For the fortifications of the ports and harbors of the United States, a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars.

For the quartermaster's department, the Indian department, the defensive protection of the frontiers, bounties, and all the contingent expenses of the war department, a sum not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars.

To make good deficiencies in the appropriations in the military establishment, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, the sum of seventy six thousand three hundred and twelve dollars.

For the pay and subsistence of three captains in the naval department, and for the pay of laborers employed in taking care of the frigates, the sum of five thousand dollars.