fifteen thousand, three hundred and forty dollars, that is to say; in the office of the secretary of the said department, six thousand, three hundred and forty dollars; in the office of the accountant of the said department, eight thousand, five hundred dollars; and in the office of the purveyor of public supplies, five hundred dollars: For the department of the Navy, eleven thousand, one hundred dollars; that is to say; in the office of the secretary of the department of the navy, four thousand two hundred dollars; and in the office of the accountant of the navy department, six thousand, nine hundred dollars.

Clerks in the office of Postmaster General.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster General of the United States shall be, and hereby is authorized and empowered to appoint such number of clerks in his office, as he shall judge proper, and to apportion and vary their compensations in such manner as the services to be rendered by each, shall in his judgment require: *Provided always*, that the whole amount of compensations for clerks in the said office, shall not exceed the sum of four thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars, annually; which sum shall be paid quarterly, out of the revenues of the post-office.

Additional compensation to one of the clerks in the mint.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the director of the mint shall be, and hereby is authorized to allow to one of the clerks employed in his office, the sum of two hundred dollars per annum, in addition to the salary of five hundred dollars, heretofore established for the clerks in the said office.

Deficiencies allowed in the navy department.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be allowed to the secretary and accountant of the Navy department respectively, in the settlement of their accounts, the following sums for deficiencies in the provisions made by law for their clerks during the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight; that is to say; to the said secretary, eight hundred and eighty-seven dollars, and twenty-nine cents; and to the said accountant, one hundred and eighty-eight dollars, and thirty-two cents.

Clerks and clerk hire to the commissioners of loans.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be allowed to the commissioners of loans in the states of Massachusetts and New York, respectively, not exceeding five clerks, at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum each; to the commissioner of loans in the state of Connecticut, not exceeding two clerks, at the rate of four hundred dollars per annum each; to the commissioners of loans in the states of Pennsylvania, Virginia and South Carolina, respectively, not exceeding two clerks, at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum each; the aggregate of the compensations for clerks employed by either of the said commissioners, to be apportioned among them at his discretion: And that there be annually allowed in lieu of clerk hire, to the commissioner of loans in the state of New Hampshire, three hundred and fifty dollars; to the commissioner of loans in the state of Rhode Island, four hundred dollars; to the commissioner of loans in the state of New Jersey, three hundred dollars; and to the commissioner of loans in the state of Maryland, two hundred and fifty dollars.

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Statute III.

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Chap. XLI.—*An Act to revive and continue in force, certain parts of the "Act for the relief and protection of American seamen," and to amend the same.*

Parts of the act revived.

1796, ch. 36.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the first, second and third sections of the act, intituled "An act for the relief and protection of American seamen," shall be and hereby are revived and continued in force for one year.

Duty of the Secretary of State.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of State shall be, and hereby is required to lay before Congress, within ten days after

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the commencement of each ordinary session, an annual statement, containing an abstract of all the returns made to him, by the collectors of the different ports, pursuant to the said act, and of the communications received by him, from the agents employed by virtue of the same, in foreign countries.

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Statute III.

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[Obsolete.]

Chap. XLII.—*An Act making appropriations for the support of the Naval Establishment, for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.*

Appropriation for the support of the naval establishment.

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 naval establishment of the United States, during the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, there shall be, and hereby is appropriated, the sum of two millions, one hundred and two thousand, three hundred and eighty-four dollars, and forty-one cents, (including the sum of eight hundred and twenty-three thousand, eight hundred and eighty-seven dollars, and fourteen cents, being the balance, unexpended at the commencement of that year, of former appropriations for the naval department): that is to say:—

For the pay of the officers of the navy of the United States, the sum of three hundred and five thousand, nine hundred and eighty-two dollars.

For the subsistence of the officers of the navy, the sum of one hundred and eighty-five thousand, five hundred and forty-four dollars, and nineteen cents.

For the pay of the seamen, the sum of six hundred and seventy-two thousand, nine hundred and ninety dollars.

For provisions, the sum of four hundred and thirty-one thousand, seven hundred and twenty-six dollars, and thirty cents.

For contingent expenses (including waste of military stores) the sum of three hundred and forty-five thousand, eight hundred dollars.

For the expense of medicines, hospital stores, &c., the sum of forty-two thousand, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For the support of the revenue cutters, the sum of one hundred and seventeen thousand, five hundred and ninety-one dollars, and ninety-two cents.

For the support of the marine corps.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That for the support of the marine corps, during the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, there be, and hereby is appropriated the sum of two hundred and thirty-seven thousand, seven hundred and eighty-eight dollars, and thirty-eight cents; that is to say:

For pay and rations for the said corps, the sum of one hundred and seventy-nine thousand, seven hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

For clothing, the sum of twenty-nine thousand, five hundred and ninety-four dollars, and eighty-seven cents.

For military stores, the sum of twenty-five thousand, nine hundred and fifty-one dollars, and fifty-one cents.

For contingent expenses, the sum of four hundred and twenty dollars.

For bounties and premiums, the sum of two thousand and twenty-four dollars.

For completing the vessels of war.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That for completing the vessels now building, the purchase of arms and military stores for the same, and for contingent expenses relative thereto, the sum of one million, four thousand five hundred and four dollars, and twenty-four cents, shall be, and hereby is appropriated.

How the appropriations are to be paid.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the aforesaid appropriations shall be paid out of any monies in the treasury of the United States, not otherwise appropriated.

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