chased or procured under the direction of the said commissioners, for the purpose of discharging the principal and interest of the said debt.

Authorized to employ an agent in Europe relative to the said business.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissioners of the sinking fund be, and they hereby are empowered, with the approbation of the President of the United States, to employ, if they shall deem it necessary, an agent in Europe for the purpose of transacting any business relative to the discharge of the Dutch debt, and to the loans authorized by this, or any other act, for the purpose of discharging the same, and also to allow him a compensation not exceeding three thousand dollars a year, to be paid out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

His compensation.

Nothing in this act to affect the provisions of former acts pledging the faith of the U. States.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to repeal, alter, or affect any of the provisions of any former act pledging the faith of the United States to the payment of the interest, or principal, of the public debt; and that all such payments shall continue to be made at the time heretofore prescribed by law; and the surplus only of the appropriations made by this act beyond the sums payable by virtue of the provisions of any former act, shall be applicable to the reimbursement, redemption, or purchase of the public debt in the manner provided by this act.

Restrictions and regulations established by former acts, shall apply to the commissioners under this.

Account of the sales of stocks, &c. to be laid before Congress.

1795, ch. 45.

Sec. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That all the restrictions and regulations heretofore established by law, for regulating the execution of the duties enjoined upon the commissioners of the sinking fund, shall apply to and be in as full force for the execution of the analogous duties enjoined by this act, as if they were herein particularly repeated and re-enacted. *Provided, however*, that the particular annual account of all sales of stock, of loans, and of payments, by them made, shall, hereafter, be laid before Congress on the first week of February, in each year; and so much of any former act as directed such account to be laid before Congress within fourteen days after their meeting, is hereby repealed.

Approved, April 29, 1802.

Statute 1.

April 29, 1802.

[Obsolete.]

Chap. XXXIII.—*An Act for the relief of the widows and orphans of certain persons who have died in the naval service of the United States.*

Appropriation for the children of officers, seamen and marines lost in the ship Insurgent, and brigantine Pickering.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the widows, if any such there be, and in case there be no widow, the child or children of the officers, seamen and marines, who were in the service of the United States, and lost in the ship Insurgent and brigantine Pickering, shall be entitled to, and receive out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum equal to four months pay of their respective husbands or fathers, as aforesaid.

Approved, April 29, 1802.

Statute I.

April 29, 1802.

[Obsolete.]

Chap. XXXV.—*An Act to regulate and fix the compensations of the officers of the Senate and House of Representatives.*

Salaries of the Secretary of the Senate, Clerk of the House of Representatives &c.

1806, ch. 23.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the officers of the Senate and House of Representatives herein after mentioned, shall be, and hereby are entitled to receive in lieu of their compensations as fixed by law, the following sums; that is to say: the secretary of the senate, and clerk of the House of Representatives, two thousand dollars, each; their principal clerks one thousand three hundred dollars, each; and each of their engrossing clerks, one thousand dollars per annum.

Of the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, who also performs the duty of doorkeeper, and the sergeant-at-

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