

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause the said further sum of seven hundred thousand dollars to be paid to the commissioners of the sinking fund, in the same manner as was directed by the above-mentioned act respecting the annual appropriation of seven millions three hundred thousand dollars; and it shall be the duty of the commissioners of the sinking fund to cause to be applied and paid out of the said fund, yearly, and every year, at the treasury of the United States, such sum and sums as may be annually wanted to discharge the annual interest and charges accruing on the stock created by virtue of this act, and the several instalments, or parts of principal of the said stock, as the same shall become due and may be discharged, in conformity to the terms of the convention aforesaid, and of this act.

APPROVED, November 10, 1803.

Secretary of the Treasury to pay to commissioners, who shall apply the money to discharge of debt.

STATUTE I.

Nov. 10, 1803.

[Obsolete.]

CHAP. III.—*An Act making provision for the payment of claims of citizens of the United States on the government of France, the payment of which has been assumed by the United States, by virtue of the convention of the thirtieth of April, one thousand eight hundred and three, between the United States and the French Republic.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a sum, not exceeding three millions seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (inclusive of a sum of two millions of dollars, appropriated by the act of the twenty-sixth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and three, intituled "An act making further provision for the expenses attending the intercourse between the United States and foreign nations,") to be paid out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, be, and the same hereby is appropriated, for the purpose of discharging the claims of citizens of the United States against the government of France, the payment of which has been assumed by the government of the United States, by virtue of a convention made the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and three, between the United States of America and the French Republic, respecting the said claims.

Three millions seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars appropriated to pay citizens of the U. States.

Act of February 26, 1803, ch. 8.

Treaty with France for the cession of Louisiana.

Claims to be paid at the treasury of the U. States.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be paid, at the treasury of the United States, in conformity to the convention aforesaid, the amount of such claims, above-mentioned, as, under the provisions of the said convention, shall be awarded to the respective claimants; which payments shall be made on the orders of the minister plenipotentiary of the United States for the time being, to the French Republic, in conformity with the convention aforesaid, and the said minister shall be charged on the treasury books with the whole amount of such payments, until he shall have exhibited satisfactory proof to the accounting officers of the treasury, that his orders, thus paid, have been issued in conformity with the provisions of the said convention.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is authorized to borrow, on the credit of the United States, to be applied to the purposes authorized by this act, a sum not exceeding one million seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, at a rate of interest, not exceeding six per centum per annum; reimbursable out of the appropriation made by virtue of the first section of this act, at the pleasure of the United States, or at such period, not exceeding five years from the time of obtaining the loan, as may be stipulated by contract; and it shall be lawful for the Bank of the United States to lend the same.

President of the U. States to borrow not exceeding one million seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the duties on merchandise and tonnage as may be necessary, be, and the same hereby

One million seven hundred

and fifty thousand dollars at six per cent. interest chargeable on customs.

Expenses of investigation of claims how provided.

Not to exceed four thousand four hundred and fifty dollars per annum, beside secretary and agent's salaries.

STATUTE I.

Nov. 16, 1803.

[Obsolete.]

Expenses of treaty with Great Britain of 1794, provision for.

Funds how to be provided.

is appropriated for the purpose of paying the interest which shall accrue on the said loan.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That for defraying the expense incident to the investigation of the claims above mentioned, there be appropriated a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars, to be paid out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided*, that the compensation to be made to any of the commissioners appointed, or to be appointed, in pursuance of the above-mentioned convention, shall not exceed the rate of four thousand four hundred and fifty dollars per annum; that the compensation of their secretary shall not exceed the rate of two thousand two hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum; and that the compensation of the agent shall not exceed the rate of one thousand dollars per annum.

APPROVED, November 10, 1803.

CHAP. IV.—*An Act making an appropriation for carrying into effect the seventh article of the treaty of amity, commerce and navigation, between the United States and his Britannic Majesty.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, to be paid out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, be, and the same hereby is appropriated for the purpose of carrying into effect the seventh article of the treaty concluded at London, on the nineteenth day of November, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, between the United States of America and his Britannic Majesty.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the accounting officers of the treasury be, and they are hereby authorized to allow an interest, not exceeding the rate of six per centum per annum, on one third part of the amount of any award made in pursuance of the aforesaid article, and presented at the treasury previous to the passing of this act, to be calculated from the time when such award shall have been presented.

APPROVED, November 16, 1803.

STATUTE I.

Nov. 25, 1803.

[Obsolete.]

Act of April 5, 1800, ch. 21. Drawback on goods shipped to New Orleans abolished.

CHAP. V.—*An Act to repeal the act, intituled "An act to allow a drawback of duties on goods exported to New Orleans, and therein to amend the act intituled An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act passed on the fifth day of April, one thousand eight hundred, intituled "An act to allow a drawback of duties on goods exported to New Orleans, and therein to amend the act, intituled An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage," be, and the same hereby is repealed.

APPROVED, November 25, 1803.

STATUTE I.

Dec. 19, 1803.

Bankrupt act of April 4, 1800, repealed.

Act of April 4, 1800, ch. 19.

What commissions may yet be acted on.

Act of April 29, 1802, sect. 14, ch. 31.

CHAP. VI.—*An Act to repeal an act, intituled "An act to establish an uniform system of Bankruptcy throughout the United States."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act of Congress passed on the fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred, intituled "An act to establish an uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," shall be, and the same is hereby repealed. *Provided nevertheless*, that the repeal of the said act shall in no wise affect the execution of any commission of bankruptcy which may have been issued prior to the passing of this act, but every such commission may and shall be proceeded on and fully executed as though this act had not passed.

APPROVED, December 19, 1803.