

Act of March 3, 1803, ch. 29.

Commencement of the compensations and allowances established by an act of Congress, concerning city of Washington.

Allowance to the surveyor.

Superintendent authorized to pay the compensations and to defray other expenses:

And to settle with P. C. L'Enfant.

Out of what fund these compensations, &c. are to be paid.

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Appropriation for the public buildings.

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Act of May 26, 1790, ch. 11. The attestation of the keeper of the records which may be kept in any public office of a state not appertaining to a court, under his seal of office, with a certificate of the presiding judge, or of the governor, chancellor, &c., that the attestation is in due

tions and allowances established by the act, intituled "An act concerning the city of Washington," shall be computed from the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and two, being the time when the services, so compensated and allowed, commenced under the authority of the President of the United States.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the surveyor of the said city shall receive as a compensation for his services an allowance of three dollars per day.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the superintendent of the city of Washington be, and he hereby is authorized to pay the said compensations and allowances, from the said first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and two, in conformity with the provision of the said recited act, until Congress shall otherwise direct; and also to pay and discharge all expenses of an incidental nature, which have been or may be incurred in the discharge of the functions of his office and the office of surveyor, which shall be approved by the President of the United States.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the said superintendent be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to settle and pay the claim of Peter Charles L'Enfant, for his services whilst employed by the late board of commissioners, in the manner, and on the terms heretofore proposed by the said commissioners.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the several expenses authorized by this act, shall be paid and discharged out of any funds of the city of Washington, in possession of the superintendent, which are not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 27, 1804.

CHAP. LV.—*An Act concerning the Public Buildings at the City of Washington.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That fifty thousand dollars shall be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to be applied under the direction of the President of the United States, in proceeding with the public buildings at the city of Washington, and in making such necessary improvements and repairs thereon, as he shall deem expedient.

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CHAP. LVI.—*An Act supplementary to the act intituled "An act to prescribe the mode in which the public acts, records and judicial proceedings in each State shall be authenticated so as to take effect in every other State." (a)*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, all records and exemplifications of office books, which are or may be kept in any public office of any state, not appertaining to a court, shall be proved or admitted in any other court or office in any other state, by the attestation of the keeper of the said records or books, and the seal of his office thereto annexed, if there be a seal, together with a certificate of the presiding justice of the court of the county or district, as the case may be, in which such office is or may be kept; or of the governor, the secretary of state, the chancellor or the keeper of the great seal of the state, that the said attestation is in due form, and by the proper officer; and the said certificate, if given by the presiding justice of a court, shall be farther authenticated by the clerk or prothonotary of the said court, who shall certify under his hand and the seal of his office, that

(a) See notes to act of May 26, 1790, chap. 11, vol. i. p. 122.