the description of any section or half section, or of the plat of the same, or of any entry made on their books, or of any certificate heretofore given by them, twenty-five cents for each; and for any general inspection of the book of surveys, or general plat, made in their presence, twenty-five cents.

Allowance to superintendents of public sales.

Sec. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That the superintendents of the public sales, to be made by virtue of this act, and the superintendents of the sales which have taken place by virtue of 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," shall receive five dollars a day for every day whilst engaged in that business; and the accounting officers of the treasury are hereby authorized to allow a reasonable compensation for books, stationery and clerk hire, in settling the accounts of the said superintendents.

1796, ch. 29.

Patent fees.

Sec. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That the fee to be paid for each patent for half a section shall be four dollars, and for every section five dollars, to be accounted for by the receiver of the same.

1804, ch. 35.

Leases of the reservations may be given by the Surveyor General.

Sec. 15. *And be it further enacted*, That the lands of the United States reserved for future disposition, may be let upon leases by the surveyor-general, in sections or half sections, for terms not exceeding seven years, on condition of making such improvements as he shall deem reasonable.

Pre-emption right given to builders of mills.

Sec. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That each person who, before the passing of this act, shall have erected, or begun to erect, a grist-mill or saw-mill upon any of the lands herein directed to be sold, shall be entitled to the pre-emption of the section including such mill, at the rate of two dollars per acre: *Provided*, the person or his heirs, claiming such right of pre-emption, shall produce to the register of the land office satisfactory evidence that he or they are entitled thereto, and shall be subject to and comply with the regulations and provisions by this act prescribed for other purchasers.

Repeal of part of the former act.

1796, ch. 29.

Sec. 17. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the 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, as comes within the purview of this act, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Approved, May 10, 1800.

Statute I.

May 10, 1800.

Chap. LVI.—*An Act to ascertain the compensation of public Ministers.*(a)

Repealed by Act of May 1, 1810, ch. 44.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That exclusive of an outfit which shall in no case exceed the amount of one year's full salary to any minister plenipotentiary or chargé des affaires, to whom the same may be allowed, the President of the United States shall not allow to any minister plenipotentiary a greater sum than at the rate of nine thousand dollars per annum, as a compensation for all his personal services and expenses: nor a greater sum for the same than four thousand five hundred dollars per annum to a chargé des affaires: nor a greater sum for the same than one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars per annum to the secretary of any minister plenipotentiary.

Salaries of public ministers.

Settlement of accounts.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That where any sum or sums of money shall be drawn from the treasury, under any law making appropriation for the contingent expenses of intercourse between the United States and foreign nations, the President shall be, and he hereby is authorized to cause the same to be duly settled, annually, with the ac-

(a) See an act fixing the compensation of public ministers and consuls, residing on the coast of Barbary, and for other purposes, May 1, 1810, chap. 44.

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counting officers of the treasury in manner following, that is to say: by causing the same to be accounted for specially in all instances wherein the expenditure thereof may in his judgment be made public, and by making a certificate of the amount of such expenditures as he may think it advisable not to specify, and every such certificate shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the sum or sums therein expressed to have been expended.

Approved, May 10, 1800.

Statute I.

May 10, 1800.

Chap. LVII.—*An Act to make appropriations for the Navy of the United States, during the year one thousand eight hundred.*

[Obsolete.]
Appropriations.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That for defraying the expenses of the navy of the United States, during the year one thousand eight hundred, there shall be, and hereby is appropriated the sum of two millions, four hundred and eighty-two thousand nine hundred and fifty-three dollars and ninety-nine cents, that is to say: for the pay of the officers of the navy of the United States, the sum of three hundred and ninety-one thousand five hundred and ninety-six dollars; for the subsistence of the officers of the navy, the sum of seventy thousand, seven hundred and twenty-two dollars and forty cents; for the pay of the seamen, the sum of eight hundred and eighteen thousand three hundred and forty dollars; for provisions, the sum of six hundred and three thousand, six hundred and forty-two dollars and sixty-seven cents; for contingent expenses, including the waste of military stores, the expense of the navy store at Philadelphia, comprising storekeeper's salary, clerk hire, store rent, labourers, porterage and freight, and for making good deficiencies in former appropriations, and for similar expenses at Boston, Newport, Baltimore, Norfolk, New York, and other ports, the sum of three hundred and ninety-three thousand six hundred dollars; for the expense of hospitals, medicines and hospital stores, the sum of thirty-two thousand six hundred and forty-seven dollars and twenty cents; for the support of the revenue cutters while employed in the navy service, the sum of ten thousand dollars; for the pay of the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of the marine corps, the sum of ninety-four thousand, seven hundred and thirty-four dollars; for subsistence of the officers of the said corps, the sum of eight thousand and eighteen dollars and sixty cents; for clothing for the said corps, the sum of thirty-three thousand five hundred and thirty dollars, and seventy-four cents; for military stores for the said corps, the sum of twelve thousand two hundred and seventy-seven dollars and eighty-eight cents; for the contingent expenses of the said corps, including camp equipage, quartermasters, barrack-masters, and hospital stores, and bounties and premiums, the sum of thirteen thousand eight hundred and forty-four dollars.

Sec. 2. *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.

Approved, May 10, 1800.

Statute I.

May 10, 1800.

Chap. LVIII.—*An Act supplementary to the act entitled "An act to establish the Treasury Department."*(a)

Duty of the Secretary of the

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the

(a) Act of September 2, 1789, chap. 12.