part of it, has been paid or refunded by the United States, or money placed in the hands of New York for that purpose, the interest on the sum or sums so paid or refunded, shall cease and not be considered as chargeable to the United States, any longer than up to the time of the repayment as aforesaid.

Amount of interest to be paid from the treasury.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the amount of the interest, when ascertained as aforesaid, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, May 22, 1826.

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Statute I.

May 22, 1826.

Chap. CLII.—*An Act to compensate the registers and receivers of the land offices, for extra services rendered under the provisions of the act of the second of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-one.*

Additional fees to the registers and receivers of land offices, for extra services.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That, for the services rendered by the registers and receivers of the several land districts, in carrying into effect the act for the relief of the purchasers of public lands, prior to the first day of July, eighteen hundred and twenty, passed on the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, and the several acts supplementary thereto, the Secretary of the Treasury, with the approbation of the President, in addition to the fees allowed by the said act and supplementary acts, shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to make such allowance and compensation to each of the said officers, as shall appear to him to be reasonable and just; which allowance shall, in no case, exceed the expenditure incurred in clerk hire, by any register or receiver, in consequence of the duties imposed upon those officers by the provisions of the said act, and the acts supplementary thereto, and the one half of one per cent. on the amount of payments made by relinquishments and discounts, calculating the value of the lands relinquished at the rate of two dollars per acre: *Provided*, That the allowance made on account of per centage, including their annual salary, and including their commission on the money actually paid, shall in no case exceed, to any one officer for any one year, the sum of three thousand dollars.

Act of March 2, 1821, ch. 12.

Proviso.

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Statute I.

May 22, 1826.

Chap. CLIII.—*An Act to compensate receivers of public moneys for transporting and depositing the same.*

Compensation to the receivers of public money, in the several land offices, for transporting and depositing moneys.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That it shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Treasury to allow to the several receivers of public moneys, in the several land offices, a reasonable compensation for transporting to, and depositing such moneys in, any bank or other place of deposit, that may, from time to time, be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury for that purpose, which compensation shall be regulated according to the actual labour, expense, and risk, of such transportation and deposit, to the place of deposit, and returning therefrom.(*a*)

A like compensation to be made to them for similar services performed by them since the act of 30th of April, 1818, ch. 123.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Treasury, in his discretion, to make a like compensation to the several receivers of public moneys for similar services by them performed since the reduction of their compensation by the act of the twentieth of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

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(*a*) The felonious taking and carrying away the public moneys in the custody of a receiver of public money, without any fault or negligence on his part, does not discharge him and his securities, and cannot be set up as a defence to an action on his official bond. The United States *v.* Prescott, 3 Howard, 578.



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