STATUTE II.

March 2, 1833.

[Obsolete.]

CHAP. XCVI.—*An Act to carry into effect the convention between the United States and his majesty the king of the Two Sicilies, concluded at Naples on the fourteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.*

Board of commissioners to be created.

Duties.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint three commissioners, who shall form a board, whose duty it shall be to receive and examine all claims which may be presented to them under the convention between the United States and the king of the Two Sicilies, of the fourteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, which are provided for by the said Convention, according to the provisions of the same and the principles of justice, equity, and the law of nations. The said board shall have a secretary, versed in the French and Italian languages, and a clerk, both to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and the commissioners, secretary and clerk, shall, before they enter on the duties of their offices, take oath well and faithfully to perform the duties thereof.

Secretary and clerk.

Oath.

Rules and regulations.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said commissioners shall be, and they are hereby, authorized to make all needful rules and regulations, not contravening the laws of the land, the provisions of this act, or the provisions of the said convention for carrying their said commission into full and complete effect.

Board to meet within thirty days after exchange of ratifications, &c.

Notice of meeting.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the members of the board so constituted shall meet at the city of Washington, and their salaries shall begin to be allowed within thirty days after the exchange of the ratifications of the convention shall have been proclaimed by the President of the United States; and within one year from the time of said meeting, they shall terminate their duties. And the Secretary of State is required, as soon as the said proclamation of the President shall have been made, to give notice of the said meeting; to be published in two newspapers in Washington, and in such other papers as he may think proper.

Records, &c. to be delivered to the board.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That all records, documents, or other papers, which now are in, or hereafter during the continuance of this commission may come into the possession of the Department of State, in relation to such claims, shall be delivered to the commission aforesaid.

Compensation.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the compensation of the respective officers, for whose appointment provision is made by this act, shall not exceed the following sums, namely: to each of the said commissioners, at the rate of three thousand dollars per annum; to the secretary of the board, at the rate of two thousand dollars per annum; and to the clerk, at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum. And the President of the United States shall be, and he is hereby authorized to make such provision for the contingent expenses of the said commission, as shall appear to him reasonable and proper; and the said salaries and expenses shall be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Contingent expenses.

Appropriation.

Awards to be reported.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That the said commissioners shall report to the Secretary of State a list of all the several awards made by them; a certified copy thereof shall be by him transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall thereupon distribute in rateable proportions, among the persons in whose favour the awards shall have been made, such moneys as may have been received into the treasury in virtue of this act, according to the proportions which their respective awards shall bear to the whole amount then received, first deducting such sums of money as may be due the United States from said persons in whose favour

Distribution of moneys received.

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said awards shall be made; and shall cause certificates to be issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, in such form as he may prescribe, showing the proportion to which each may be entitled of the amount that may thereafter be received; and on the presentation of the said certificates at the treasury, as the net proceeds of the general instalments, payable by the Neapolitan government, shall have been received, such proportions thereof shall be paid to the legal holders of the said certificates.

Certificates.

Payments to holders.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, to cause the several instalments, with the interest thereon payable to the United States, in virtue of the said convention, to be received from the Neapolitan government, and transferred to the United States, in such manner as he may deem best, and the net proceeds thereof to be paid into the treasury, and the same are hereby appropriated, to satisfy the awards herein provided for.

Instalments to be received, &c.

Appropriation.

Sec. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That all communications to and from the secretary of the board of commissioners, on the business of the commission, shall pass by mail, free of postage.

Postage.

Sec. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That as soon as said commission shall be executed and completed, the records, documents, and all other papers, in the possession of the Commission or its officers, shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of State.

Deposit for records, &c.

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Chap. XCVII.—*An Act to authorize the governor of the territory of Arkansas to sell the land granted to said territory by an act of Congress approved the fifteenth of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, and for other purposes.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That, whenever the governor of the territory of Arkansas shall furnish to the Secretary of the Treasury a sufficient description of the boundaries of the thousand acres of land, granted by an act of Congress of the fifteenth of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, to the territory of Arkansas, for the erection of a courthouse and jail in the town of Little Rock, in the territory aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to cause a patent to be issued for said thousand acres of land, to the governor of Arkansas, and his successors in office, in trust, for the benefit of the territory of Arkansas, for the purpose of erecting a courthouse and jail at Little Rock.

Act of June 15, 1832, ch. 129.

Patent for one thousand acres of land to issue.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the governor of the said territory of Arkansas be, and he is hereby, fully empowered and authorized to lay off into town lots, conforming, as near as practicable to the present plan of the town of Little Rock, so much of said grant of a thousand acres of land as he may deem advisable so to be appropriated; and that he be further authorized to sell the same, from time to time, as the public interest may require; and the residue of said grant, which may not be laid off into town lots corresponding with the plan of the said town of Little Rock, he shall be authorized to dispose of, in such lots or parcels as he may deem advisable; but in no case shall he be authorized to sell, unless he shall give public notice of such sale by an advertisement in one or more newspapers printed in the territory of Arkansas; and said sale shall be public at the courthouse in the town of Little Rock.

Part of land to be laid off in town lots, and to be sold.

Residue to be disposed of in lots or parcels, after public notice of sale.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That, in case suitable situations cannot be had, free of cost to the territory, for the location of the statehouse, as well as for the courthouse and jail in the town of Little Rock, the governor aforesaid shall be, and he is hereby, fully authorized to select and lay off suitable squares for each of those buildings, within the addition hereunto authorized to be added to the town of Little Rock;

Squares for the statehouse, and courthouse and jail.