aggregate amounts, directed to be filed by the marshals with the clerks of the several District Courts and Supreme Courts of the Territories of the United States, shall be preserved by said clerks and remain in their offices respectively, and so much of the act to which this is an amendment as requires that they shall be transmitted by said clerks to the Department of State is hereby repealed.

Copies of returns, &c. to be preserved in the courts.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to cause to be noted all the clerical errors in the returns of the marshals and assistants, whether in the additions, classification of inhabitants or otherwise, and to direct to be printed in the manner provided for in the act to which this is an amendment the corrected aggregate returns only.

All clerical errors to be noted.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the thirteenth section of the act of the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, as restricts the weight of packages by mail, shall not apply to the transmission of papers relating to the census or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States, and upon the transmission of said papers by the mail, between the marshals and their assistants, it shall be lawful for the postmasters to charge periodical pamphlet postage only.

Postage.

Sec. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the marshal of any district, to take part in the enumeration of a portion of his district, and upon his so doing he shall have the benefit of the compensation allotted therefor, as if it had been done by an assistant.

Marshals to take part in the enumeration of their districts.

Sec. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the compensation of the respective persons who are employed by the Secretary of State in executing the provisions of this act, shall be, fifteen hundred dollars to the superintending clerk, per annum; to the recording clerk, eight hundred dollars per annum; to an assistant clerk, six hundred and fifty dollars per annum; and to the packer and folder, six hundred and fifty dollars per annum; and the said salaries shall commence from the date of their being so employed, and that of the persons to be employed, to examine and correct the returns from the marshals and their assistants, at the same rates as were paid for the like services rendered under the act for taking the fifth census, to be paid out of any money appropriated for carrying into effect the act for taking the sixth census or enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States.

Compensation.

Salaries when to commence.

Sec. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts and parts of acts whose provisions are inconsistent with the enactments of this amendatory act, are hereby repealed.

Acts, &c. inconsistent with this, repealed.

Approved, February 26, 1840.

Statute I.
March 4, 1840.

Chap. IV.—*An Act to continue the office of commissioner of Pensions, and to transfer the pension business, heretofore transacted in the Navy Department, to that office.* (*a*)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the office of Commissioner of Pensions shall be and the same is hereby continued, until the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-three.

Office of Com. of Pensions continued.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That a Commissioner of Pensions shall be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and that he shall execute, under the direction of the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, such duties in relation to the various pension laws as may be prescribed by the President.

Commissioner to be appointed —his duties.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the said Commissioner shall

Salary.

(*a*) See notes to act of July 10, 1832, chap. 194, for the acts relating to the navy pension fund.

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receive an annual salary of two thousand five hundred dollars, and shall have the privilege of sending and receiving letters and packets by mail free of postage.

Pension business transferred to office Com. of Pensions.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the pension business heretofore transacted in the Navy Department, shall be transferred to the office of the Commissioner of Pensions, and that the clerk now employed in that business be also transferred to that office.

Approved, March 4, 1840.

Statute I.

March 31, 1840.

Chap. V.—*An Act additional to the act on the subject of Treasury Notes.* (*a*)

Act of 12th Oct. 1837, ch. 2, &c. renewed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the regulations and provisions contained in the act passed the twelfth day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, entitled "An act to authorize the issuing of Treasury Notes," and in the subsequent acts in addition thereto, be, and the same are hereby, renewed, and made in full force, excepting the limitations concerning the times within which such notes may be issued, and restricting the amount thereof as hereafter provided.

Treasury notes may be issued in lieu of others redeemed.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That under the regulations and provisions contained in said act, Treasury Notes may be issued in lieu of others hereafter or heretofore redeemed, but not to exceed in the amount of notes outstanding at any one time, the aggregate of five millions of dollars; and to be redeemed sooner than one year, if the means of the Treasury will permit, by giving notice sixty days of those notes which the Department is ready to redeem; no interest to be allowed thereon after the expiration of said sixty days.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall continue in force one year and no longer.

Approved, March 31, 1840.

Statute I.

April 4, 1840.

Chap. VI.—*An Act to cancel the bonds given to secure duties upon vessels and their cargoes, employed in the Whale Fishery, and to make registers, lawful papers for such vessels.* (*b*)

Registers sufficient papers for vessels engaged in the whale fishery.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all vessels which have cleared, or hereafter may clear, with registers for the purpose of engaging in the Whale fishery, shall be deemed to have lawful and sufficient papers for such voyages, securing the privileges and rights of registered vessels, and the privileges and exemptions of vessels enrolled and licensed for the fisheries; and all vessels which have been enrolled and licensed for like voyages shall have the same privileges and measure of protection as if they had sailed with registers if such voyages are completed or until they are completed.

Provisions of the 1st section of the act of 28th Feb. 1803, ch. 9, extended.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all the provisions of the first section of the act entitled "An act supplementary to the act concerning consuls and vice-consuls, and for the further protection of American seamen," passed on the twenty-eighth day of February, Anno Domini eighteen hundred and three, shall hereafter apply and be in full force as to vessels engaged in the Whale fishery in the same manner and to the same extent as the same is now in force and applies to vessels bound on a foreign voyage.

Forfeitures remitted.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all forfeitures, fees, duties and charges of every description required of the crews of such vessels,

(*a*) Notes of the acts which have been passed relative to the issuing and reimbursement of Treasury notes, vol. 2, 766.

(*b*) Notes of the acts of Congress relating to ships and vessels employed in the fisheries, vol. 3, 49. Decisions of the courts of the United States on the acts relating to the fisheries, vol. 3, 49.