SEC. 27. *And be it further enacted*, That every proposal for the transportation of the mail shall be accompanied by a written guaranty, signed by one or more responsible persons, to the effect that he or they undertake that the bidder or bidders will, if his or their bid be accepted, enter into an obligation in such time as may be prescribed by the Postmaster General, with good and sufficient sureties, to perform the service proposed. No proposal shall be considered, unless accompanied by such guaranty. If, after the acceptance of a proposal, and notification thereof to the bidder or bidders, he or they shall fail to enter into an obligation within the time prescribed by the Postmaster General, with good and sufficient sureties for the performance of the service, then the Postmaster General shall proceed to contract with some other person or persons, for the performance of the said service, and shall forthwith cause the difference between the amount contained in the proposal so guarantied, and the amount for which he may have contracted for the performance of said service, for the whole period of the proposal, to be charged up against the said bidder or bidders, and his or their guarantor or guarantors, and the same may be immediately recovered by the United States, for the use of the Post Office Department, in an action of debt against either or all of the said persons.

SEC. 28. *And be it further enacted*, That no contract for the transportation of the mail shall knowingly be made by the Postmaster General, with any person who shall have entered into any combination, or proposed to enter into any combination, to prevent the making of any bid for a mail contract by any other person or persons: or who shall have made any agreement, or shall have given or performed, or promised to give or perform, any consideration whatever, or to do or not to do any thing whatever, in order to induce any other person or persons not to bid for a mail contract. And if any person so offending be a mail contractor, he may be forthwith dismissed from the service of the Department: *Provided*, That whenever the Postmaster General shall exercise the power conferred on him by this section, he shall transmit a copy or statement of the evidence on which he acts to Congress, at its next session.

SEC. 29. *And be it further enacted*, That no person whose bid for the transportation of the mail may be accepted, shall receive any pay until he shall have executed his contract according to law and the regulations of the Department; nor shall any payment be made for any additional regular service in the transportation of the mail, unless the same shall have been rendered in obedience to a prior legal order of the Postmaster General.

SEC. 30. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the act concerning the Post Office Department, approved March third, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, as directs that duplicates or copies of contracts or orders made by the Postmaster General shall be lodged in the office of the Comptroller of the Treasury, be repealed.

SEC. 31. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Postmaster General to furnish to the postmasters at the termination of each route, a schedule, specifying the times of arrival and departure at their offices, respectively, of each mail, a copy of which the postmaster shall post up in some conspicuous place in his office; and the Postmaster General shall also furnish a notice in like manner, of any change or alteration in the arrivals and departures which may be ordered by him. And it shall be the duty of every postmaster promptly to report to the Department every delinquency, neglect, or malpractice of the contractors, their agents or carriers, that may come to his knowledge. And the Postmaster General shall cause to be kept, and returned to the Department, at short and regular intervals, by postmasters at the ends of routes, and such others as he may think proper, registers showing the exact times of the arrivals and departures of the mails.

SEC. 32. *And be it further enacted*, That if any postmaster shall unlawfully detain in his office any letter, package, pamphlet, or newspaper, with intent to prevent the arrival and delivery of the same to the person or persons to whom such letter package, pamphlet or newspaper may be addressed or directed in the usual course of the transportation of the mail along the route; or if any postmaster shall, with intent as aforesaid, give a preference to any letter, package, pamphlet, or newspaper, over another, which may pass through his office, by forwarding the one and retaining the other, he shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, and imprisoned for a term not exceeding six months, and shall, moreover, be forever thereafter incapable of holding the office of postmaster in the United States.

SEC. 33. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a Deputy Postmaster, for each post office at which the commissions allowed to the postmaster amounted to one thousand dollars or upwards in the year ending the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, or which may, in any subsequent year, terminating on the thirtieth day of June, amount to or exceed that sum, who shall hold his office for the term of four years, unless sooner removed by the President.

SEC. 34. *And be it further enacted*, That assistant postmasters and clerks regularly employed and engaged in post offices, shall be exempt from militia duties, and serving on juries, and from any fine or penalty for neglect thereof.

SEC. 35. *And be it further enacted*, That advertisements of letters remaining in post offices may, under the direction of the Postmaster General, be made in more than one newspaper: *Provided*, That the whole cost of advertising shall not exceed four cents for each letter.

SEC. 36. *And be it further enacted*, That no postmaster shall receive free of postage, or frank, any letter or packet composed of, or containing any thing other than paper (or money;) and for a violation of this provision, the offender shall be dismissed from office, and upon conviction in any court of competent jurisdiction, pay a fine of twenty dollars. And no person shall hold the office of postmaster who shall not be an actual resident of the city or town wherein the office is situated, or the district of country usually supplied by said office.

SEC. 37. *And be it further enacted*, That when any one or more of the sureties of a postmaster shall notify to the Postmaster General their desire to be released from their suretyship, or when the Postmaster General shall deem it necessary, he shall require the said postmaster to execute a new bond, with security, which, when accepted by the Postmaster General, shall be as valid as the bond given upon the original appointment of said postmaster, and the sureties in the prior bond shall be released from responsibility for all acts or defaults of said postmaster, which may be done or committed subsequent to the acceptance of the new bond, the date of which shall be endorsed thereon. *Provided*, That payments made subsequent to the execution of the new bond by said postmaster shall be applied first to discharge any balance which may be due on the old bond, unless he shall, at the time of payment, expressly direct them to be applied to the credit of his new account.

SEC. 38. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person shall be accessary after the fact, to the offence of stealing or taking the mail of the United States, or of stealing or taking any letter or packet, or enclosure in any letters or packet sent or to be sent in the the mail of the United States, from any post office in the United States, or from the mail of the United States, by any person or persons whatever, every person so offending as accessary, shall, on conviction thereof, pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, and be imprisoned for a term not exceeding five years; and such accessary after the fact may be tried, convicted and punished in the district in which his offence was committed, though the principal offence may have been committed in another district, and before the trial of the piacipal offender: *Provided*, such principal offender has fled from justice, or cannot be arrested to be put upon his trial.

SEC. 39. *And be it further enacted*, That in case the Postmaster General shall deem it expedient to establish an express mail, in addition to the ordinary mail, on any of the post roads in the United States, for the purpose of conveying slips from newspapers in lieu of exchange newspapers, or letters, other than such as contain money not exceeding half an ounce in weight, marked "express mail," and public despatches, he shall be authorised to charge all letters and packets carried by such express mail with triple the rates of postage to which letters and packets, not free, may be by law subject, when carried by the ordinary mails.

SEC. 40. *And be it further enacted*, That in case of the death, resignation, or absence of the Postmaster General, all his powers and duties shall devolve, for the time being, on the First Assistant Postmaster General.

SEC. 41. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster General shall be authorised, whenever the same may be proper for the accomodation of the public in any city, to employ letter carriers for the delivery of letters received at the post office in said city; except such as the persons to whom they are addressed may have requested, in writing, addressed to the postmaster, to be retained in the post office; and for the receipt of letters at such places in the said city as the Postmaster General may direct, and for the deposite of the same in the post office; and for the delivery by a carrier of each letter received from the post office, the person to whom the same may be delivered shall pay not exceeding two cents; and for the delivery of each newspaper and pamphlet, one-half cent; and for every letter received by a carrier to be deposited in the post office, there shall be paid to him, at the time of the receipt, not exceeding two cents; all of which receipts, by the carriers in any city, shall, if the Postmaster General so direct, be accounted for to the postmaster of said city, to constitute a fund for the compensation of the said carriers, and be paid to them in such proportions and manner as the Postmaster General may direct. Each of the said carriers shall give bond with sureties, to be approved by the Postmaster General, for the safe custody and delivery of letters, and for the due account and payment of all moneys received by him.

SEC. 42. *And be it further enacted*, That the Postmaster General shall be authorized, in his discretion, to contract for carrying the mail on the navigable canals of the several States in all cases where, in his opinion, the public interests and convenience shall require it, and for the time during which mails may be carried on such canals, or any parts thereof, the same are hereby declared to be post roads.

SEC. 43. *And be it further enacted*, That the following annual salaries shall be allowed to the Assistant Postmasters General, and to the clerks, messengers, and watchmen, provided for the service of the Post Office Department, viz:

To the three Assistant Postmasters General each twenty-five hundred dollars.

To the chief clerk two thousand dollars.

To the three principal clerks, each one thousand six hundred dollars.

To ten clerks, each one thousand four hundred dollars.

To fifteen clerks, each one thousand two hundred dollars.

To eight clerks, each one thousand dollars.

To the three messenger, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

To the assistant messengers, each three hundred and fifty dollars.

To the two watchmen, each three hundred dollars.

SEC. 44. *And be it further enacted*, That the following annual salaries shall be allowed to the Auditor of the Post Office Department, and to the clerks and messengers herein provided for the service of his office, viz:

To the auditor, three thousand dollars.

To the chief clerk, two thousand dollars.

To the four principal clerks, each one thousand six hundred dollars.

To ten clerks, each one thousand four hundred dollars.

To twenty clerks, each one thousand two hundred dollars.

To eight clerks, each one thousand dollars.

To the messenger, seven hundred and fifty dollars, and to the assistant messenger, three hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 45. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of three millions one hundred and fifty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the service of the Post Office Department for the year commencing on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, out of any moneys in the Treasury, arising from the revenues of the said Department, to be accounted for in the manner pointed out in the second section of this act.

SEC. 46. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall be in force and take effect from the passage thereof.

JAMES K. POLK,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
W. R. KING,
President of the Senate pro tempore.
Approved, July 2, 1836.
ANDREW JACKSON.

[PUBLIC.—No. 66.]

AN ACT to regulate the compensation of certain officers of Revenue Cutters.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in lieu of pay, rations, and all other allowances now authorized by law to the captains and first, second and third lieutenants of the revenue cutters of the United States, there shall be allowed and paid quarterly, from and after the passage of this act, to each captain, at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum, to each first lieutenant, at the rate of nine hundred and sixty dollars per annum; to each second lieutenant at the rate of eight hundred and sixty dollars per annum; to each third lieutenant, at the rate of seven hundred and ninety dollars per annum.

Approved, July 2, 1836.

[PUBLIC.—No. 67.]

AN ACT to reorganize the General Land Office.

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, the executive duties now prescribed, or which may hereafter be prescribed by law, appertaining to the surveying and sale of the public lands of the United States, or in any wise respecting such public lands, and, also, such as relate to private claims of land, and the issuing of patents for all grants of land under the authority of the Government of the United States, shall be subject to the supervision and control of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under the direction of the President of the United States.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be appointed in said office, by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, two subordinate officers, one of whom shall be called Principal Clerk of the Public Lands, and the other Principal Clerk on Private Land Claims, who shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them by the Commissioner of the General Land Office; and in case of vacancy in the office of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, or of the absence or sickness of the Commissioner, the duties of said office shall devolve upon and be performed, ad interim, by the Principal Clerk of the public lands.

SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, an officer to be styled the Principal Clerk of the Surveys, whose duty it shall be to direct and superintend the making of surveys, the returns thereof, and all matters relating thereto, which are done through the offices of the Surveyor General; and he shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

SECTION 4. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be appointed by the President, by and with the consent of the Senate, a Recorder of the General Land Office, whose duty it shall be, in pursuance of instructions from the Commissioner, to certify and affix the seal of the General Land Office to all patents for public lands, and be shall attend to the correct engrossing and recording and transmission of such patents. He shall prepare alphabetical indexes of the names of patentees, and of persons entitled to patents: and he shall prepare such copies and exemplifications of matters on file, or recorded in the General Land Office, as the Commissioner may from time to time direct.

SECTION 5. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, an officer to be called the Solicitor of the General Land Office, with an annual salary of two thousand dollars, whose duty it shall be to examine and present a report to the Commissioner, of the state of facts in all cases referred by the Commissioner to his attention which shall involve questions of law, or where the facts are in controversy between the agents of the Government and individuals, or there are conflicting claims of parties before the Department, with his opinion thereon; and also, to advise the Commissioner, when required thereto, on all questions growing out of the management of the public lands, or the title thereto, private land claims, Virginia military scrip, bounty lands, and pre-emption claims; and to render such further professional services in the business of the department as may be required, and shall be connected with the discharge of the duties thereof.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a Secretary, with a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, whose duty it shall be, under the direction of the President, to sign in his name, and for him, all patents for land sold or granted under the authority of the United States.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Commissioner to cause to be prepared, and to certify, under the seal of the General Land Office, such copies of records, books, and papers on file in his office, as may be applied for, to be used in evidence in courts of justice.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever the office of Recorder shall become vacant, or in case of the sickness or absence of the Recorder, the duties of his office shall be performed, ad interim, by the Principal Clerk on Private Land Claims.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the Receivers of the land offices shall make to the Secretary of the Treasury monthly returns of the moneys received in their several offices, and pay over such money pursuant to his instructions. And they shall also make to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, like monthly returns, and transmit to him quarterly accounts current of the debits and credits of their several offices with the United States.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall be entitled to receive an annual salary of three thousand dollars; the Recorder of the General Land Office, an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars; the principal clerk of the surveys, an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars; and each of the said principal clerks, an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars; from and after the date of their respective commissions; and that the said commissioner be authorized to employ, for the service of the General Land Office, one clerk, whose annual salary shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars; four clerks, whose annual salary shall not exceed fourteen hundred dollars each; sixteen clerks, whose annual salary shall not exceed thirteen hundred dollars each; twenty clerks, whose annual salary shall not exceed twelve hundred dollars each; five clerks, whose annual salary shall not exceed eleven hundred dollars each; thirty-five clerks, whose annual salary shall not exceed one thousand dollars each; one principal draughtsman, whose annual salary shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars; one assistant draughtsman, whose annual salary shall not exceed twelve hundred dollars; two messengers, whose annual salary shall not exceed seven hundred dollars each; three assistant messengers, whose annual salary shall not exceed three hundred and fifty dollars each; and two packers, to make up packages of patents, blank forms, and other things necessary to be transmitted to the district land offices, at a salary of four hundred and fifty dollars each.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That such provisions of the act of the twenty-fifth of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twelve, entitled "An act for the establishment of a General Land Office in the Department of the Treasury," and of all acts amendatory thereof, as are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That from the first day of the month of October, until the first day of the month of April in each and every year, the General Land Office and all the bureaus and offices therein as well as those in the Department of the Treasury, War, Navy, State, and General Post Office, shall be open for the transaction of the public business at least eight hours in each and every day, except Sundays, and the twenty-fifth day of December; and from the first day of April until the first day of October in every year, all the said offices and bureaus shall be kept open for the transaction of the public business at least ten hours, in each and every day, except Sundays and the fourth day of July.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person shall apply to any register of any land office to enter any land whatever, and the said register shall knowingly and falsely inform the person so applying that the same has already been entered and refuse to permit the person so applying to enter the same, such register shall be liable therefor to the person so applying for five dollars for each acre of land which the person so applying offered to enter, to be recovered by action of debt in any court of record, having jurisdiction of the amount.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That all and every of the officers whose salaries are herein-before provided for, are hereby prohibited from directly or indirectly purchasing or in any becoming interested in the purchase of any of the public land; and in case of a violation of this section by such officer, and on proof thereof, being made to the President of the United States, such officer, so offending, shall be, forthwith, removed from office.

Approved, July 4th, 1836.

[PUBLIC.—No. 68.]

AN ACT in addition to the act entitled, "An act making appropriations in part for the support of Government, for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be and the same are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: For compensation granted by law to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, in addition to the appropriation heretofore made for that object, seventy-two thousand two hundred and sixteen dollars; for compensation of the Senators and Representatives elected by Michigan, seven thousand seven hundred and seventy six dollars; for the contingent expenses of Senate, twelve thousand dollars; for allowance for wastage in gold and silver coinage at the mint; for labor and for alloy, in addition to the former appropriation, thirty-three thousand dollars; for extra clerk hire in the General Land Office, for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six, fourteen thousand six hundred and sixty-six dollars and sixty-four cents; for messengers in the offices of the Chief Engineer, Adjutant General, the Commanding General, Surgeon General and Inspector General, and in the Clothing Bureau, Topographical, Ordnance, and Subsistence Departments, two thousand five hundred and sixty-eight dollars; for the assistant messenger in the first comptroller's office, in addition to a former appropriation, fifty dollars; for compensation to the surveyor in Alabama, in addition to a former appropriation, five hundred dollars; for compensation to the clerks in the office of the Secretary of the Navy, and in the Navy Commissioners Office, in addition to the sums already appropriated for the present year, nineteen hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the act of the ninth of May, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, "providing for the salaries of certain officers therein named, and for other purposes," as provides for the employment of an additional clerk in the office of the Navy Commissioners, and for his compensation for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the third section of the act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the Government, for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty five, is hereby repealed; and that the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to pay to the collectors, deputy collectors, naval officers, surveyors, and their respective clerks, together with the weighers, guagers, measurers, and markers, of the several ports of the United States, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as will give to the said officers, respectively the same compensation in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, according to the importations of that year, as they would have been entitled to receive, if the act of the fourteenth of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, had not gone into effect: *Provided*, That no officer shall receive, under this act, a greater annual salary or compensation than was paid to such officer for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two; and that, in no case shall the compensation of any other officers than collectors, naval officers, surveyors, and clerks, whether by salaries, fees, or otherwise, exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars each per annum; nor shall the union of any two or more of those offices in one person, entitle him to receive more than that sum per annum: *provided, further*, That the said collectors, naval officers, and surveyors, shall render an account quarterly to the Treasury, and the other officers herein named, or referred to, shall render an account quarterly to the respective collectors of the customs, where they are employed, to be forwarded to the Treasury, of all the fees and emoluments whatever by them respectively received; and of all expenses incidental to their respective offices: which accounts shall be rendered on oath or affirmation, and shall be in such form, and be supported by such proofs, to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, as will, in his judgment, best enforce the provisions of this section, and show its operation and effect: *Provided, also*, That any salary or compensation due for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, shall not be affected by this section: *Provided, however*, That in the event of any act being passed by Congress at the present session to regulate and fix the salaries or compensation of the respective officers of the customs, then this section shall operate and extend to the time such act goes into effect, and no longer.

SECTION 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums are hereby appropriated to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for interpreters, guards, and other expenses incidental to the Consulates in the Turkish Dominions, five thousand five hundred dollars. For refunding the duty paid upon the Belgian vessel Antonius and her cargo beyond the amount which would have been paid by a Dutch vessel, fourteen hundred and twenty-six dollars and seven cents. For compensation to the clerks in the office of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs in addition to a former appropriation, fifty dollars. For an outfit of a Charge d'Affaires to Russia, four thousand five hundred dollars. For compensation to the third Assistant Postmaster General, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars. For compensation to the clerks, messengers and watchmen in the Post Office Department as provided by the act to change the organization of the said Department in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for compensation to the clerks and messengers in the office of the Postmaster General, four thousand and fifty dollars. For compensation to the Auditor for the Post Office Department, one thousand five hundred dollars; for compensation to the clerks and messengers in the office of the Auditor for the Post Office Department as provided by the act to change the organization of said Department twenty-seven thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars. For contingencies in the office of the Auditor for the Post Office Department, fifteen hundred dollars. For alterations and repairs of the Capitol including repairs of the roof over the principal stairway to the Representatives Hall and covering the projecting steps on top surface of the cornice round the base of the dome of the Rotunda six thousand three hundred and eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents. For lighting lamps and keeping the grounds and walks of the Capitol square in order including the cost of trees and shrubs four thousand five hundred dollars. For the gardener employed in superintending the Capitol square and other public grounds one thousand dollars. For alterations and repairs of the President's House for the gardener's salary, and for keeping the grounds and walks in order, including the cost of trees and shrubs, three thousand four hundred and sixty dollars. For the annual expenses of two fire engines two hundred dollars. For gravelling the yard east of the Capitol two thousand dollars. For repairing culverts two hundred and thirty one dollars. For purchase of Smith's spring including one acre of land and for enclosing the same, for building culverts and keeping the water pipes in order five thousand three hundred dollars. For attendants on the furnaces of the Rotunda during the recess one hundred and fifty dollars. For replanting trees and keeping boxes in order on the Pennsylvania Avenue, purchase of trees and planting in fountain square, Lafayette square and across the public reservation at seventh street one thousand two hundred dollars. For a work shop one thousand two hundred dollars. For conveying the surplus water of the Capitol to the Botanic garden making a basin and purchasing a fountain of Hiram Powers five thousand dollars.

For enclosing the garden and grounds of the Magazine and Marine Hospital near the Eastern Branch five hundred dollars. For a dwarf wall and fence between the Executive buildings and the President's House one thousand one hundred and sixty-five dollars and fifty cents. For extending the Capitol square and improving the grounds within and adjacent to the same as far west as the first street intersecting the Pennsylvania Avenue from the east, the sum of twenty five thousand dollars to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. For enlarging the folding room of the House three hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, The President of the United States be and he hereby is authorized to cause to be erected on or near the site of the former Treasury building, or any other public lot which he may select, a fire proof building of such dimensions as may be required for the present and future accommodations of the Treasury Department upon such plan and of such materials as he may deem most advantageous and that for this purpose there be appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of one hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the material of which the walls of the Capitol and President's Mansion are constructed shall be adopted for the construction of the aforesaid building: *Provided* upon full inquiry a cheaper and more suitable material cannot be obtained. *And Provided always*, That the foundation walls of the said buildings below the surface of the earth and two feet above shall be of the hardest and most solid rock.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That there be erected, on some appropriate site, under the direction of the President of the United States, a fire proof building with suitable accommodations for the Patent Office, and to be provided with the necessary cases and furniture; the expense of which shall not exceed one hundred and eight thousand dollars.

SECTION 8. *And be it further enacted*, That there be and hereby is appropriated for defraying the expense of such building and cases the sum of one hundred and eight thousand dollars to be paid out of the patent fund in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SECTION 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the same kind of material of which the walls of the Capitol and the Mansion of the President are constructed shall be adopted for the construction of the aforesaid building: *Provided* a cheaper and more suitable material cannot be procured.

SECTION 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the duties and powers of the commissioners of the sinking fund are hereby suspended until revived by law and that the records of the commissioners be transfered to the custody of the Secretary of the Treasury, who is hereby authorized and directed to pay out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated any outstanding debts of the United States and the interest thereon.

SECTION 11. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purchase of eight acres of land with the improvements thereon near the Barracks at Key West if in the opinion of the Secretary of War the public service and health of the troops require it a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars is hereby appropriated.

SECTION 12. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the third section of the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of Government for the year eighteen hundred and thirty-five" as provides that "the whole number of custom-house officers in the United States on the first of January eighteen hundred and thirty-four shall not be increased until otherwise allowed by Congress" be and the same is hereby suspended until the fourth day of March next.

Approved, July, 4, 1836.

[PUBLIC—No. 69.]

AN ACT supplementary to an act entitled "An act to regulate the deposites of the public money," passed twenty third June, eighteen hundred and thirty-six.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That nothing in the act to which this is a supplement, shall be so construed as to prevent the Secretary of the Treasury from making transfers from Banks in one State or Territory, to Banks in another State or Territory, whenever such transfers may be required, in order to prevent large and inconvenient accumulations in particular places, or in order to produce a due equality, and just proportion, according to the provisions of said act.

Approved, July 4th, 1836.

NOTICE.

WANTED for the *United States Army*, a few able-bodied citizens, between the ages of 18 and 35 years, being above 5 feet 6 inches high, of *good character*, and of respectable standing among their fellow-citizens. None need apply to enter the service, but those who are determined to serve the period of their enlistment,—*which is only three years*—honestly and faithfully.

Pay of Dragoon Soldiers, when mounted.	Dolls.	Dolls.	Dolls.
Pay for three years	576	540	432
Pay per annum	192	180	144
Pay per month	16	15	12

Pay of Artillery and Infantry Soldiers; and the Dragoons, when serving on foot	Dolls.	Dolls.	Dolls.
Pay for three years	576	540	432
Pay per annum	192	180	144
Pay per month	16	15	12

This Table shows the amount of pay which enlisted soldiers, according to their respective grades, are entitled to receive for their services.	Dolls.	Dolls.	Dolls.
To the Sergeant Major, Quartermaster Sergeant, Chief Musician, and Chief Bugler—each,	16	15	12
To the First Sergeant of a company,	15	14	12
Ordnance Sergeants,	17	16	12
All other Sergeants—each,	12	11	10
Corporals,	8	8	8
Buglers,	6	6	6
Musicians,	6	6	6
Farriers and Blacksmiths,	10	10	10
Artificers,	120	120	120
Privates,	120	120	120
	10	9	6

Besides the monthly pay, as above stated, one ration per day is allowed every soldier, which is amply sufficient for his subsistence—also, a large supply of comfortable and genteel clothing.—Good quarters and fuel are at all times furnished; and every attention will be paid to making those men who may enlist, and are determined to serve their country in good faith, comfortable and contented with their situation. The best medical attendance is always provided for the sick soldier; and no deduction of pay is made during the period he is unable to perform his duty.

By the above it is seen that the pay and allowances are respectable, and that, with prudence and economy, the monthly pay of the soldier may be laid up—as every thing requisite for his comfort and convenience, is furnished by the Government, including his sugar and coffee. The prudent soldier, therefore, may readily save from $300 to $500 during his short enlistment of *three years*; and at the expiration of the term he can, if he chooses, purchase a small farm in any of the western States, and there settle himself comfortably, on his own land, for the rest of his life.

FRANCIS VINTON, *Lieut. 3d Artil. Recruiting Officer.*

Smithville, N. C.,
Recruiting Rendezvous, June 10, 1836. 40

New York, 29th July, 1836.

THE Copartnership between the subscribers, under the firm of Mitchill & Neilson, is this day dissolved by mutual consent; the unsettled concerns of the firm will be attended to by either of us, and during the absence of Edward B. Neilson from the United States, by Samuel L. Mitchill.

SAM'L L. MITCHILL,
EDWARD H. NEILSON

SAMUEL L. MITCHILL having taken into Copartnership George F. Taylor and Garrat N. Bleecker, the business of the late firm of Mitchill & Neilson will be continued from the 1st inst. under the firm of **Mitchill & Co.**

SAM'L. L. MITCHILL,
GEORGE F. TAYLOR,
GARRAT N. BLEECKER.

New York, 3d August, 1836—aug. 17 3w.