

ACTS OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES.

Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the district of Columbia, on Monday, the 5th day of December, 1836, and ended the 3d day of March, 1837.

ANDREW JACKSON, President; MARTIN VAN BUREN, Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate; JAMES K. POLK, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE II.

CHAPTER I.—An Act to regulate, in certain cases, the disposition of the proceeds of lands ceded by Indian tribes to the United States.

Jan. 9, 1837.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all moneys received from the sales of lands, that have been, or may be hereafter, ceded to the United States by Indian tribes, by treaties providing for the investment or payment to the Indians, parties thereto, of the proceeds of the lands ceded by them, respectively, after deducting the expenses of survey and sale, any sums stipulated to be advanced, and the expenses of fulfilling any engagements contained therein, shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States in the same manner that moneys received from the sales of public lands are paid into the Treasury.

Moneys received to be paid into the Treasury.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That all sums that are or may be required to be paid, and all moneys that are or may be required to be invested by said treaties, are hereby appropriated in conformity to them, and shall be drawn from the Treasury as other public moneys are drawn therefrom, under such instructions as may from time to time be given by the President.

Necessary appropriations made to be paid from the Treasury.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That all investments of stock, that are or may be required by said treaties, shall be made under the direction of the President; and special accounts of the funds under said treaties shall be kept at the Treasury, and statements thereof be annually laid before Congress.

Investments of stock. Special accounts of the funds to be kept, and laid before Congress.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of the 4th section of the act of June 14th, 1836, entitled "An act making appropriations for the Indian Department, &c.," be and are hereby extended, in such manner as to apply to the disposition of all moneys that may hereafter be received under the treaties therein named, or under any others containing similar stipulations for the payment to the Indians, annually, of interest upon the proceeds of the lands ceded by them.

Provisions of sec. 4, act 14th June, 1836, ch. 88, extended.

APPROVED, January 9, 1837.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. II.—An Act making an appropriation for the suppression of Indian hostilities.

Jan. 9, 1837.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the further sum of two

[Obsolete.] \$2,000,000 appropriation.

How to be expended.

millions of dollars shall be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray any expenses which have been, or may be incurred in preventing or suppressing the hostilities of any Indians; to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, conformably to the acts of Congress of the nineteenth of March, and the second of July last, and of the acts therein referred to.

APPROVED, January 9, 1837.

STATUTE II.
Jan. 18, 1837.

CHAP. III.—*An Act supplementary to the act entitled "An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States." (a)*

Act of April 2, 1792, ch. 16.
Act of March 3, 1835, ch. 39.
Act of Feb. 27, 1843, ch. 46.
Act of April 2, 1844, ch. 7.
Officers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the officers of the mint of the United States shall be a director, a treasurer, an assayer, a melter and refiner, a chief coiner and an engraver, to be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Duties of.
Director.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the respective duties of the officers of the mint shall be as follows:

First. The director shall have the control and management of the mint, the superintendence of the officers and persons employed therein, and the general regulation and supervision of the business of the several branches. And in the month of January of every year he shall make report to the President of the United States of the operations of the mint and its branches for the year preceding. And also to the Secretary of the Treasury, from time to time, as said Secretary shall require, setting forth all the operations of the mint subsequent to the last report made upon the subject.

Treasurer.

Second. The treasurer shall receive, and safely keep all moneys which shall be for the use and support of the mint; shall keep all the current accounts of the mint, and pay all moneys due by the mint, on warrants from the director. He shall receive all bullion brought to the mint for coinage; shall be the keeper of all bullion and coin in the mint, except while the same is legally placed in the hands of other officers, and shall, on warrants from the director, deliver all coins struck at the mint to the persons to whom they shall be legally payable. And he shall keep regular and faithful accounts of all the transactions of the mint, in bullion and coins, both with the officers of the mint and the depositors; and shall present, quarter-yearly, to the Treasury Department of the United States, according to such forms as shall be prescribed by that department, an account of the receipts and disbursements of the mint, for the purpose of being adjusted and settled.

Assayer.

Third. The assayer shall carefully assay all metals used in coinage, whenever such assays are required in the operations of the mint; and he shall also make assays of coins whenever instructed to do so by the director.

Melter and refiner.

Fourth. The melter and refiner shall execute all the operations which are necessary in order to form ingots of standard silver or gold, suitable for the chief coiner, from the metals legally delivered to him for that purpose.

Chief coiner.

Fifth. The chief coiner shall execute all the operations which are necessary in order to form coins, conformable in all respects to the law, from the standard silver and gold ingots, and the copper planchets, legally delivered to him for this purpose.

Engraver.

Sixth. The engraver shall prepare and engrave, with the legal devices and inscriptions, all the dies used in the coinage of the mint and its branches.

(a) See notes of the acts relating to the Mint, and to Coins of the United States, vol. 1, 246.