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Former act

for temporary establishment of

post-office con-

1789, ch. 16.

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March 3, 1791. CHAP. XXIII. - An Act to continue in force for a limited time, an act intituled "An act for the temporary establishment of the Post-Office."

> SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act passed the first session of Congress, intituled "An act for the temporary establishment of the post-office," be, and the same is hereby continued in full force until the end of the next session of Congress, and no longer.

> SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That all letters to and from the treasurer, comptroller and auditor of the treasury, and the assistant to the secretary of the treasury, on public service, shall be received and conveyed by the post, free of postage.

> SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the postmaster general shall be and he is hereby authorized to extend the carrying the mail from Albany, in the state of New York, to Bennington in the state of Vermont. APPROVED, March 3, 1791.

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CHAP. XXIV .- An Act to continue in force the act therein mentioned, and to make further provision for the payment of Pensions to Invalids, and for the support of lighthouses, beacons, buoys, and public piers.

1792, ch. 35. Act for mitigating or remitting forfeitures, &c. continued. 1790, ch. 12.

Pensions to invalids for one year to be paid out of the treasury.

Expenses from 1st July next of all lighthouses &c. to be de-frayed by U. States till July 1792

1792, ch. 17.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives

of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act, entitled "An act to provide for mitigating or remitting the forfeitures and penalties accruing under the revenue laws in certain cases therein mentioned," shall be and is hereby continued in force until the end of the next session of Congress, and no longer.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the yearly pensions which have been allowed by or in pursuance of any act or law of the United States, to persons who were wounded and disabled during the late war, shall for the space of one year from the fourth day of March next, be paid out of the treasury of the United States, under such regulations as the President of the United States may direct.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That all expenses which shall accrue from the first day of July next, inclusively, for the necessary support, maintenance and repairs of all lighthouses, beacons, buoys, and public piers, shall continue to be defrayed by the United States, until the first day of July, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninetytwo, notwithstanding such lighthouses, beacons, buoys, or public piers, with the lands and tenements thereunto belonging, and the jurisdiction of the same, shall not in the mean time be ceded to or vested in the United States, by the state or states respectively, in which the same may be, and that the said time be further allowed to the states respectively, to make such cession: Provided, That nothing in the said act shall be construed to limit or restrain the power of the President of the United States, to grant pardons for offences against the United States. APPROVED, March 3, 1791.

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Loan in Hol. land of 3,000,-000 florins, at 5 percent. per an. num.

1790, ch. 47.

CHAP. XXV .- An Act supplementary to the act making provision for the reduction of the Public Debt.

WHEREAS it hath been made known to Congress that the President of the United States, in consequence of "An act making provision for the reduction of the public debt," hath caused a certain loan to be made in Holland, on account of the United States, to the amount of three millions of florins, bearing an interest of five per centum per annum, and reimbursable in six yearly instalments, commencing in the

Letters on public service to officers of the treasury to be conveyed free

of postage. Mail to be extended from Albany to Bennington.