

of the Post Office Department for the year ending on the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-six, out of any moneys in the Treasury arising from the revenues of the said department, in conformity to the act of second July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, viz :

Transportation.	For transportation of the mail, three million and fifty thousand dollars;
Postmasters.	For compensation to postmasters, nine hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars;
Letters.	For ship, steamboat, and way letters, twelve thousand dollars;
Wrapping paper.	For wrapping paper, sixteen thousand dollars;
Office furniture.	For office furniture, (for the offices of postmasters,) four thousand dollars;
Advertising.	For advertising, thirty thousand dollars;
Mail bags.	For mail bags, sixteen thousand dollars;
Blanks.	For blanks, twenty-two thousand dollars;
Mail locks.	For mail locks, keys, and stamps, six thousand dollars;
Depredations, &c.	For mail depredations and special agents, thirty thousand dollars: <i>Provided, however,</i> That no greater sum shall be paid to any mail agent of any description than one thousand dollars per annum, and no greater sum for all his travelling and incidental expenses, than at the rate of two dollars for each day he shall be actually employed in the capacity of mail agent;
Pay and allowances to special agents fixed.	
Clerks.	For clerks for offices, (for the offices of postmasters,) two hundred thousand dollars;
Miscellaneous.	For miscellaneous, fifty-five thousand dollars.

APPROVED, March 3, 1845.

#### STATUTE II.

March 3, 1845.

Act of March 3, 1843, ch. 92.

Value of florin of Austria fixed. 1846, ch. 23.

CHAP. XLV.—*An Act supplementary to an act entitled "An act to fix the value of certain foreign moneys of account in computations at the custom-houses."*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, in all computations of the value of foreign moneys of account at the custom-houses of the United States, the florin of Austria shall be deemed and taken to be at the value of forty-eight cents; and all former laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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#### STATUTE II.

March 3, 1845.

1848, ch. 122.

Certain surveys confirmed as actually made.

Surveyor General to certify the return and plat of survey to the register and receiver for the Augusta district

Register and receiver to give a certificate, &c.

CHAP. XLVI.—*An Act to confirm the survey and location of claims for lands in the State of Mississippi, east of the Pearl river, and south of thirty-first degree of north latitude.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all surveys and plats of confirmed claims and settlement rights for lands situate in the State of Mississippi, east of Pearl river, and south of thirty-first degree of north latitude, which had been made and returned to the surveyor general's office south of Tennessee on or before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, shall be, and are hereby, confirmed, as actually surveyed on the ground; and the said surveyor general is hereby authorized and directed, on the request of any party interested in any such claim, to certify the return and plat of such actual survey, so remaining in his office, to the register and receiver for lands in the Augusta district, in said State, who are hereby directed to receive and regard said surveys, plats, and location of the claims they represent, as correctly made; and the said register and receiver shall thereupon issue, in the name of the confirmer of the claim a patent certificate for each claim; which certificate, being first duly recorded in the said register's office, shall be delivered to such person as is entitled to repre-

sent the claim, and which, being presented to the General Land Office at Washington, shall entitle the party interested to a patent therefor: *Provided*, That any claimant to a tract of land so surveyed and platted as aforesaid, who shall, within one year from the passage of this act, file, in writing, with the surveyor general south of Tennessee, his exception to the regularity of the survey so heretofore made, setting forth in what respect said survey is erroneous, the surveyor general shall examine such exception, and, if found to be well taken, shall order a re-survey of the claim, and (a) after proper notice to the party interested; and, after proper notice, he may order a re-survey of any other claims which, in his opinion, may be indispensably necessary, by reason of errors or defects in the survey, on the ground, which, being returned and approved, shall be certified to the register and receiver at Augusta, on which a patent certificate shall be issued, as before directed: *Provided, also*, That all actual surveys of claims in said district, which shall not be excepted to within the year aforesaid, or which the surveyor general may not find it indispensably necessary to have re-surveyed by reason of any errors or defects, as aforesaid, shall, after that time, be deemed unexceptionable, so far as relates to the title of the United States, and shall thenceforth be proceeded in and perfected to patent.

Proviso.

Further proviso.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all re-surveys which may be ordered by virtue of this act shall be executed under the direction of the surveyor south of Tennessee, subject to orders from the General Land Office; and all services which shall be rendered in execution of this act shall be audited, charged, and paid for, as similar services were required to be by former laws and regulations in reference to similar claims.

Re-surveys to be executed under direction of surveyor south of Tennessee. Expenses of survey.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That when, in any case it shall appear to the surveyor general that the survey of any claim hereby confirmed is deficient in the quantity of land confirmed to the claimant, by a number of acres equal to forty or more, then the said surveyor general shall issue to the claimant a warrant, entitling him to a quantity of land, which in the subdivision of the public lands of the United States, shall not exceed in quantity the number of acres found deficient in the claimant's original survey; which entry may be made on any lands subject to entry in said district.

Surveyor to issue a warrant for deficiencies in a resurvey.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall not be construed as aiding the title survey or location of any claim, to the prejudice of any other claim with which its pretensions and location may conflict; but all such conflicting rights and locations shall remain subject to existing laws: *Provided, however*, That, in any such case of conflict, in addition to the powers conferred on the surveyor general by this act, it shall be lawful for him, when the conflicting claimants may compromise, by the relinquishment of one of the claimants of his entire location, or so much of it as conflicts with the location of another claim, to grant a warrant to the relinquishing claimant, which shall entitle him to enter an equal quantity with the land relinquished of any land subject to entry in the district of the land surrendered.

Conflicting claims to be decided under existing laws.

Proviso.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That all confirmation and evidence of title which shall be made or issued in the name of the original claimant or confirmer, by virtue of this act, shall inure to the use and benefit of those who may be jointly or severally entitled to the lands in the several claims referred to, either by descent or purchase, as if such persons were specially named therein.

Confirmation or evidence of title issued in name of original claimants, to inure to the benefit of persons entitled.

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(a) It is "and" in the original, but probably a mistake.