

mortgaged upon the countries no longer belonging to France, or were contracted for the support of their internal administration, shall remain at the charge of the said countries. Such of those debts as have been converted into inscriptions in the great book of the public debt of France, shall accordingly be accounted for with the French Government after the 22d of December 1813.

The deeds of all those debts which have been prepared for inscription, and have not yet been entered, shall be delivered to the Governments of the respective countries. The statement of all these debts shall be drawn up and settled by a joint commission.

ARTICLE XXII.

The French Government shall remain charged with the reimbursement of all sums paid by the subjects of the said countries into the French coffers, whether under the denomination of surety, deposit, or consignment.

In like manner all French subjects employed in the service of the said countries, who have paid sums under the denomination of surety, deposit, or consignment, into their respective territories, shall be faithfully reimbursed.

ARTICLE XXIII.

The Functionaries holding situations requiring securities, who are not charged with the expenditure of public money, shall be reimbursed at Paris, with the interest, by fifths and by the year, dating from the signature of the present Treaty. With respect to those who are accountable, this reimbursement shall commence, at the latest, six months after the presentation of their accounts, except only in cases of malversation. A copy of the last account shall be transmitted to the Government of their countries, to serve for their information and guidance.

ARTICLE XXIV.

The judicial deposits and consignments upon the "caisse d'amortissement" in the execution of the law of 28 Nivose, year IV (18 January 1803), and which belong to the inhabitants of the countries France ceases to possess, shall, within the space of one year from the exchange of the Ratifications of the present Treaty, be placed in the hands of the Authorities of the said countries, with the exception of those deposits and consignments interesting French subjects, which last will remain in the "caisse d'amortissement," and will only be given up on the production of the vouchers resulting from the decisions of competent authorities.

ARTICLE XXV.

The funds deposited by the corporations and public establishments in the "caisse de service," and in the "caisse d'amortissement," or other "caisse," of the French Government, shall be reimbursed by fifths, payable from year to year, to commence from the date of the present Treaty; deducting the advances which have taken place, and subject to such regular charges as may have been brought forward against these funds by the creditors of the said corporations, and the said public establishments.

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ARTICLE XXVI.

From the first day of January 1814, the French Government shall cease to be charged with the payment of pensions, civil, military and ecclesiastical; pensions for retirement, and allowances for reduction, to any individual who shall cease to be a French subject.

ARTICLE XXVII.

National domains acquired for valuable considerations by French subjects in the late departments of Belgium, and of the left bank of the Rhine, and the Alps beyond the ancient limits of France, and which now cease to belong to Her, shall be guaranteed to the purchasers.

ARTICLE XXVIII.

The abolition of the "droits d'Aubaine," de "Detraction," and other duties of the same nature, in the countries which have reciprocally made that stipulation with France, or which have been formerly incorporated, shall be expressly maintained.

ARTICLE XXIX.

The French Government engages to restore all bonds, and other deeds which may have been seized, in the provinces occupied by the French, and its administrations; and in cases where such restoration cannot be effected, these bonds and deeds become and continue void.

ARTICLE XXX.

The sums which shall be due for all works of public utility not yet finished, or finished after the 31st December 1812, whether on the Rhine or in the departments detached from France by the present Treaty, shall be placed to the account of their future possessors of the territory, and shall be paid by the commission charged with the liquidation of the debts of that country.

ARTICLE XXXI.

All archives, maps, plans and documents whatever, belonging to the ceded countries, or respecting their administration, shall be faithfully given up at the same time with the said countries: or if that should be impossible, within a period not exceeding six months after the cession of the countries themselves.

This stipulation applies to the archives, maps and plates, which may have been carried away from the countries during their temporary occupation by the different armies.

ARTICLE XXXII.

All the powers engaged on either side in the present war, shall, within the space of two months, send Plenipotentiaries to Vienna, for the purpose of regulating in general Congress, the arrangements which are to complete the provisions of the present Treaty.

ARTICLE XXXIII.

The present Treaty shall be ratified, and the ratifications shall be exchanged within the period of fifteen days, or sooner if possible.

In witness whereof the respective Plenipoten-