

ACTS OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the first session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the 4th day of December, 1843, and ended the 17th day of June, 1844.

JOHN TYLER, President of the United States. WILLIE P. MANGUM, President of the Senate, pro tempore. JOHN W. JONES, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. I. — *An Act to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for the fiscal year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and forty-four, for the relief and protection of American seamen.* Jan. 22, 1844.
[Obsolete.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of forty thousand five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury for the relief and protection of American seamen, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State, in pursuance of the act supplementary to the act concerning consuls and vice-consuls and for the further protection of American seamen, passed the twenty-eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and three.

Relief of American seamen.

1803, ch. 9.

APPROVED, January 22, 1844.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. II. — *An Act to refund the fine imposed on General Andrew Jackson.* Feb. 16, 1844.
[Obsolete.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of one thousand dollars, paid by General Andrew Jackson, as a fine imposed on him at New Orleans, the thirty-first day of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, be repaid to him, together with the interest, at the rate of six per centum a year since then, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

To refund \$1000 with interest from 31st March 1815.

APPROVED, February 16, 1844.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. III. — *An Act to authorize the President of the United States to direct transfers of appropriation in the naval service, under certain circumstances.* Feb. 23, 1844.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon the application of the Secretary of the Navy, the President of the United States shall have authority to direct the transfer from unexpended balances of appropriations for the Naval Service, of the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as the public service may require during the present fiscal year to the appropriation for "the increase, repairs, armament, and equipment of the Navy, and wear and tear of vessels in commission." But no part of said sum shall be transferred from any unexpended balance which may be necessary for the purposes for which the appropriation was originally made; nor from any unexpended balances of appropriations for the respective Navy Yards and Docks. Nor shall

Unexpended balances to be transferred for the increase, &c. of the navy.

Not to be transferred if wanted for original purposes, &c.

the transfer be made from any head or object of appropriation which may require another appropriation at any future time to supply the deficiency created by said transfer.

APPROVED, February 23, 1844.

STATUTE I.

March 4, 1844.

CHAP. IV.—*An Act changing the time of holding the courts at Clarksburg and at Wheeling, in the western district of Virginia, (a) and the circuit court of the United States for the district of Arkansas. (b)*

To be held at Clarksburg, when.

At Wheeling.

Circuit court of Arkansas, to be held when.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the district court of the United States, required by law to be holden at Clarksburg, in the western district of Virginia, shall hereafter commence its sessions on the last Mondays of March and of August of every year; and that the sessions of said court required by law to be held at Wheeling, within said district, shall hereafter commence on the Wednesdays after the first Mondays in April and September of every year, instead of the times now fixed by law for holding said courts, respectively; and that the circuit court of the United States for the district of Arkansas, shall hereafter be held on the second Monday of April of each year, instead of the time now designated by law; and that all actions, suits, recognizances, processes, writs, and proceedings whatever, pending, or which may be pending, in said courts, respectively, or returnable thereto, shall have day therein, and be heard, tried, proceeded with, and decided, in like manner as if the time of holding said sessions had not been hereby altered.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this act be in force from and after the passage thereof.*

APPROVED, March 4, 1844.

STATUTE I.

March 26, 1844.

Act of June 1, 1842, ch. 31.
Act of 1st June 1842 repealed.

CHAP. V.—*An Act to repeal the act entitled "An act to amend the act of the tenth of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, entitled 'An act to change the time of holding the circuit and district courts in the district of Ohio.'"*

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 amend the act of the tenth of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, entitled 'An act to change the time of holding the circuit and district courts in the district of Ohio,'" approved June 1st, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, be, and the same is hereby, repealed: Provided, That this act shall not take effect until from and after the next July term of said court at Cincinnati.

APPROVED, March 26, 1844.

Proviso.

STATUTE I.

April 2, 1844.

CHAP. VII.—*An Act to amend the act entitled "An act to establish branches of the Mint of the United States."*

How oath required by 3d section of act of 3d March 1835, ch. 39, may be taken.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the oath or affirmation required by the third section of an act passed March third, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, entitled "An act to establish branches of the Mint of the United States," may be taken before any judge of the superior court, or of any court of record, in the State where the branch of the person taking said oath is an officer or clerk, is situated.

APPROVED, April 2, 1844.

(a) See notes of the acts relating to the District Courts of Virginia, vol. 3, 479.

(b) Act of April 17, 1828, chap. 29.