

This act in force until 1st July, 1822.

until the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two, and no longer.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

The terms to be hereafter holden on the first Monday in May and second Monday in October.

Suits, &c. commenced and pending, made valid to the times fixed.

Appeals and writs of error to the Supreme Court, as from circuit courts.

Act of April 20, 1818, ch. 103.

Salaries to the district attorneys and marshals of the western district of Pennsylvania and northern district of New York.

CHAP. CXI.—*An Act for altering the times for holding the court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes. (a)*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the terms of the district court for the western district of Pennsylvania, which are now directed by law to be holden on the first Mondays of the months of June and December, in each year, shall hereafter be holden, for the said district, on the first Monday in May, and second Monday in October, in each year.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all actions, suits, process, pleadings, and other proceedings, commenced or pending in the said district court, shall be as good and valid to the said first Monday in May, and second Monday in October, in each year, as if this change had not been made, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That appeals and writs of error shall lie from decisions in the said district court for the western district of Pennsylvania, when exercising the powers of a circuit court, to the Supreme Court of the United States, in the same manner as from circuit courts; and that so much of the fourth section of the act, entitled "An act to divide the state of Pennsylvania into two judicial districts," passed on the twentieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, as provides that writs of error shall lie from decisions in the said district court to the circuit court in the eastern district of Pennsylvania, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That there shall be allowed to the district attorney, and to the marshal of the said western district of Pennsylvania, and the northern district of New York, the yearly sum of two hundred dollars each; to commence from the twentieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen; to be paid quarterly, at the treasury of the United States.

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STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

The Secretary of the Treasury to provide, by contract, for a lighthouse on

CHAP. CXII.—*An Act to authorize the erection of a lighthouse on one of the Isles of Shoals, near Portsmouth, in New Hampshire, and for other purposes.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That, as soon as the jurisdiction of such one of the Isles of Shoals, in the state of New Hampshire, in the state of Massachusetts, or in the state of Maine, as the President of the United States shall select for the site of a lighthouse,

(a) *Acts relating to the courts of the United States in the western district of Pennsylvania:*

An act to divide the state of Pennsylvania into two judicial districts, April 20, 1818, ch. 108.

An act concerning the western district court of Pennsylvania, Dec. 16, 1818, ch. 4.

An act for altering the times for holding the court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania, May 15, 1820, ch. 111.

An act to alter the judicial districts of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes, May 26, 1824, ch. 170.

An act supplementary to an act entitled "An act to amend the judicial system of the United States," March 3, 1837, ch. 34, sec. 4.

An act respecting the jurisdiction of certain district courts, Feb. 19, 1831, ch. 28.

An act altering the time of holding the district court of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania, May 8, 1840, ch. 23.

An act to authorize the judge of the district court for the western district of Pennsylvania, to hold a special session of said court, March 19, 1842, ch. 6.

An act to amend "An act for altering the time of holding the district court of the United States, for the western district of Pennsylvania at Williamsport," approved May 8, one thousand eight hundred and forty, July 27, 1842, ch. 68.

shall be ceded to, and the property thereof vested in, the United States, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to provide, by contract, which shall be approved by the President, for building a lighthouse on such island, to be so lighted as to be distinguishable from other lighthouses on the east and west of the same; and, also, to agree for the salaries, wages, or hire, of the person or persons to be appointed by the President for the superintendence of the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the sum of five thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, for the purpose of building such lighthouse, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to provide, by contract, for building lighthouses, erecting piers, beacons, or land marks, and building and placing light vessels, or boats, and buoys, on the following sites or shoals, to wit: A pier at the mouth of Kennebunk river, in the state of Maine; two lighthouses, one on Tenpound island, at the entrance into Gloucester harbour, and the other on Baker's island, near Salem, in the state of Massachusetts; a lighthouse at a proper site near the mouth of Genessee river, in the state of New York; a buoy on Southwest Ledge, and another on Adams' Fall, in or near to the harbour of New Haven, in the state of Connecticut: A light vessel at the end of Smith's Point Shoals, in the Chesapeake bay, in the state of Virginia: A lighthouse on Shell Castle Island, in the state of North Carolina: or, in lieu thereof, a light vessel, to be moored in a proper place, near the said island, if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Treasury, the latter shall be preferred: A beacon and two buoys on proper sites in the channel leading to the harbour of Charleston, in the state of South Carolina: A lighthouse on a proper site in Mobile bay, in the state of Alabama, or, in lieu thereof, a light vessel in the said bay; if the same shall be preferred: A light vessel, should the same be deemed necessary by the Secretary of the Treasury, at the mouth of the Mississippi, in the state of Louisiana.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That there be appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money, to accomplish the objects specified in this act, to wit: for erecting a pier at the mouth of Kennebunk river, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars; for placing a bell near the lighthouse on West Quody Head, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars; for erecting two lighthouses, one on Tenpound Island, and the other on Baker's Island, and placing three buoys on the rocks and flats near Salem, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars; for defraying the expense of lighting the lighthouse on the south side of the harbour of Nantucket, and superintending the same, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars; for a lighthouse near the mouth of Genessee river, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars; for placing two buoys, one on Southwest Ledge, and the other on Adams' Fall, in or near the harbour of New Haven, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars; for a light vessel, and placing the same at the end of Smith's Point Shoals, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars; for a lighthouse on Shell Castle Island, or a light vessel, if preferred, a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand dollars; for a beacon and two buoys on proper sites in or near to the channel leading to Charleston harbour, a sum not exceeding six thousand five hundred dollars; for a lighthouse, or light vessel, for Mobile bay, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars; for a light vessel at the mouth of the Mississippi, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized, if he shall deem it expedient and proper, to build the lighthouse directed to be built on Sparrow's Point, in the state of Maryland, on North Point in said state; and also to substitute a

the Isles of Shoals, as soon as the jurisdiction has been ceded, &c.

And to agree for salaries, &c. of superintendents.

Appropriation for the lighthouse on the Isles of Shoals.

The Secretary of the Treasury to provide, by contract, for building other lighthouses, piers, &c.

Kennebunk river.

Tenpound Island.

Baker's Island.

Genessee river.

South-west Ledge.

Adams' Fall.

Smith's Point.

Shell Castle Island.

Charleston.

Mobile bay.

Mouth of the Mississippi.

A light vessel may be substituted for a lighthouse on Craney Island.

Additional sums appropriated, for lighthouses and light vessels heretofore directed.

No lighthouse, &c. previous to cession of jurisdiction.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

First, 2d, 3d and 4th sections of act of 3d March, 1819, ch. 77, continued for two years, &c.

Fifth section of the act of 3d March, 1819, continued as to crimes heretofore committed.

Persons committing robbery, on any ship or vessel, or ship's company, &c. or on the high seas, in a roadstead, &c.

Conviction in circuit court where brought or found.

Persons engaged in any piratical enterprise, &c. and committing robbery on shore, declared pirates, and to suffer death.

Persons landing on a foreign shore, and seizing negroes or mulattoes, not held to service, &c. with intent to make them slaves, or decoying, forcibly bringing or carrying, &c. them on board, &c.

light vessel for the lighthouse directed to be built on Craney Island, at the mouth of Elizabeth river, in the state of Virginia.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That, to complete the lighthouses and light vessels heretofore directed to be built, there be appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the following additional sums, to wit : for the lighthouses in the state of Maryland, a sum not exceeding six thousand six hundred dollars : for the lighthouse directed to be built between the mouth of Grand River, in the state of Ohio, and the mouth of Detroit River, in the territory of Michigan, five thousand dollars : and for the lighthouses or light vessels for the state of Virginia, a sum not exceeding six thousand six hundred dollars.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That no lighthouse, beacon, nor landmark, shall be built or erected on any site previous to the cession of jurisdiction over the same being made to the United States.

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CHAP. CXIII.—*An Act to continue in force "An act to protect the commerce of the United States, and punish the crime of piracy," and also to make further provisions for punishing the crime of piracy.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the first, second, third, and fourth, sections of an act, entitled "An act to protect the commerce of the United States and punish the crime of piracy," passed on the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, be, and the same are hereby, continued in force, from the passing of this act for the term of two years, and from thence to the end of the next session of Congress, and no longer.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the fifth section of the said act be, and the same is hereby, continued in force, as to all crimes made punishable by the same, and heretofore committed, in all respects as fully as if the duration of the said section had been without limitation.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That, if any person shall, upon the high seas, or in any open roadstead, or in any haven, basin, or bay, or in any river where the sea ebbs and flows, commit the crime of robbery, in or upon any ship or vessel, or upon any of the ship's company of any ship or vessel, or the lading thereof, such person shall be adjudged to be a pirate : and, being thereof convicted before the circuit court of the United States for the district into which he shall be brought, or in which he shall be found, shall suffer death. And if any person engaged in any piratical cruise or enterprise, or being of the crew or ship's company of any piratical ship or vessel, shall land from such ship or vessel, and, on shore, shall commit robbery, such person shall be adjudged a pirate : and on conviction thereof before the circuit court of the United States for the district into which he shall be brought, or in which he shall be found, shall suffer death : *Provided*, That nothing in this section contained shall be construed to deprive any particular state of its jurisdiction over such offences, when committed within the body of a county, or authorize the courts of the United States to try any such offenders, after conviction or acquittance, for the same offence, in a state court.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That if any citizen of the United States, being of the crew or ship's company of any foreign ship or vessel engaged in the slave trade, or any person whatever, being of the crew or ship's company of any ship or vessel, owned in the whole or part, or navigated for, or in behalf of, any citizen or citizens of the United States, shall land, from any such ship or vessel, and, on any foreign shore, seize any negro or mulatto, not held to service or labour by the laws of either of the states or territories of the United States, with intent to make such negro or mulatto a slave, or shall decoy, or forcibly bring or carry, or shall receive, such negro or mulatto on board any