

# ACTS OF THE SEVENTEENTH 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 third day of December, 1821, and ended on the eighth day of May, 1822.*

JAMES MONROE, President; DANIEL D. TOMPKINS, Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate from the eleventh of January to the fourth of February; JOHN GAILLARD, President of the Senate pro tempore from the third of December to the eleventh of January, and from the fourth of February to the end of the session; PHILIP P. BARBOUR, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### STATUTE I.

CHAP. I.—*An Act authorizing the transmission of certain documents free of postage.*

Dec. 19, 1821.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the members of Congress, the delegates from territories, the secretary of the Senate, and the clerk of the House of Representatives, be, and they are hereby, authorized to transmit, free of postage, to any post-office within the United States, or the territories thereof, any documents which have been, or may be, printed by order of either House.

[Obsolete.]  
Members, delegates, &c., authorized to transmit documents to any post-office, free, &c.

APPROVED, December 19, 1821.

### STATUTE I.

CHAP. IV.—*An Act reviving and extending the time allowed for the redemption of land sold for direct taxes in certain cases.*

Feb. 4, 1822.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the time allowed for the redemption of lands which have been, or may be, sold for the non-payment of taxes, under the several acts, passed the second day of August, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, (a) the ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, (b) and the fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, for laying and collecting a direct tax within the United States, (c) so far as the same have been purchased for and in behalf of the United States, be revived and extended for the term of one year, from the end of the present session of Congress: *Provided,* That, on such redemption, interest shall be paid, at the rate of twenty per centum per annum, on the taxes aforesaid, and on the additions of twenty per centum chargeable thereon; and the right of redemption shall enure, as well to the heirs and assignees of the lands so purchased on behalf of the United States, as to the original owners thereof.

[Expired.]  
The time allowed for redemption of lands sold for direct taxes, revived and extended, &c.

Proviso.

APPROVED, February 4, 1822.

(a) An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States, August 2, 1813, ch. 37.  
(b) An act to provide additional revenue for defraying the expenses of government and maintaining the public credit by laying a direct tax upon the United States, and to provide for assessing and collecting the same, Jan. 9, 1815, ch. 21.  
(c) An act to reduce the amount of direct tax upon the United States and the District of Columbia, March 5, 1816, ch. 24.