

The President to communicate at the next session of Congress, the manner in which this act has been executed, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That, as soon as may be after the commencement of the next session of Congress, the President of the United States shall communicate to Congress the manner in which he shall have caused this act to be executed, showing the amount of moneys, furs, peltries, and other effects, and the amount and description of goods, wares, and merchandise, and the actual cash value thereof, received from the superintendent of Indian trade, and each of the factors and sub-factors, under the provisions of this act.

APPROVED, May 6, 1822.

STATUTE I.

May 6, 1822.

CHAP. LV.—*An Act providing for the disposal of the public lands in the state of Mississippi, and for the better organization of the land districts in the states of Alabama and Mississippi.*

The tract of country ceded by the Choctaws, on the 18th October, 1820, formed into a land district.

Land office.

A register and receiver to be appointed, who are to give bond with security, to receive similar compensation, and perform like duties, as other registers and receivers, &c.

Proviso.

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District of Pearl river.

The President may cause so much of the land, &c., surveyed, to be sold as other public lands.

Except section No. 16, for the use of schools in each township, &c.

Patents to issue as in other cases.

The lands lying east of the Tombigbee, in Mississippi, to which the Indian title has been extinguished,

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That all that tract of country which was ceded to the United States by a treaty with the Choctaw Indians, held on the eighteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty, near Doake's Stand, in the state of Mississippi, be, and the same is hereby, formed into a land district; and for the disposal of the public lands in said district, a land office shall be established within the same, at such convenient place as the President of the United States may direct and appoint; and for said office a register and a receiver shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall severally give bond with security, before entering on the duties of their respective offices, in like manner and for like sums, shall receive similar compensation, fees, and emoluments, and shall perform similar duties, and possess similar powers, with all other registers and receivers of public moneys of the United States, appointed by law for the disposal of the public land; and shall, in all respects, be governed by the laws of the United States providing for the disposal of the public land: *Provided, however*, That the first sale of the lands within the district aforesaid may be held at such convenient place within the district west of Pearl river, as the President of the United States may appoint. (a) *And provided also*, That the President may, if it should be necessary, in consequence of the establishment of a new basis meridian, attach a portion of the land otherwise belonging to the district established by this act to the district west of Pearl river.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized, when he shall think proper, to cause so much of the land within the district created by this act, or which may be attached to the district of Pearl river, and which may be surveyed, to be exposed to sale, on the same terms and conditions, and in the same manner as all other public lands of the United States, with the exception of section numbered sixteen, in each township, which shall be reserved for the use of schools within the same; and of such other reservations as now may, or hereafter may, exist, by virtue of any act of cession, treaty or law of the United States: and for the lands so sold, patents shall issue on the terms and conditions, and in the manner, provided by law in relation to all other public lands of the United States.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all the lands lying on the east side of the Tombigbee river, in the state of Mississippi, and to which the Indian title has been extinguished, be, after the thirtieth day of October next, attached to the district established by the first section of this act; and the public lands therein shall be sold, on the same terms and condi-

(a) An act to establish the district of Pearl river, March 2, 1821, ch. 16.

tions, and in the same manner, and patents shall issue for the lands so sold, agreeably to the provisions of the laws for the disposal of the public lands of the United States in the state of Mississippi, with the exception of the section numbered sixteen, in each township, which shall be reserved for the use of schools within the same, and of such other reservations as now are made, or hereafter may be made, by law. And it shall be the duty of the register of the district of Madison county, under the direction of the commissioner of the general land office, to transfer such books, maps, and records, or transcripts thereof, to the register appointed for the district established by the first section of this act, as may be necessary to carry into complete effect the provisions of this section of this act.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That, from and after the thirtieth day of October next, such part of the district east of Pearl river, as lies within the state of Mississippi, be attached to, and constituted a part of, the district of Jackson county; and the President of the United States shall cause the land office to be removed to such place, within the district of Jackson county, as established by this act, as he may deem convenient; and that part of the district of Jackson county which lies within the state of Alabama shall be attached to, and constitute a part of, the district east of Pearl river, in Alabama; and it shall be the duty of the register of the district east of Pearl river, and of the register of the district of Jackson county, each, to transfer to the other, such books, records, surveys, or the transcripts thereof, as shall be necessary to carry into complete effect the provisions of this section of this act.

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attached after October 30, 1822, to the district established by this act, and to be sold, except section No. 16, &c.

The register of the district of Madison county to transfer books, &c.

Part of the district east of Pearl river, attached to the district of Jackson county.

The President to cause the land office to be removed, &c.

Part of the district of Jackson county attached to the district east of Pearl river.

STATUTE I.

May 6, 1822.

CHAP. LVI.—*An Act in addition to the act concerning navigation, and also to authorize the appointment of deputy collectors.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That, on satisfactory evidence being given to the President of the United States that the ports in the islands or colonies in the West Indies, under the dominion of Great Britain, have been opened to the vessels of the United States, the President shall be, and hereby is, authorized to issue his proclamation, declaring that the ports of the United States shall thereafter be open to the vessels of Great Britain employed in the trade and intercourse between the United States and such islands or colonies, subject to such reciprocal rules and restrictions as the President of the United States may, by such proclamation, make and publish, any thing in the laws, entitled "An act concerning navigation," or an act, entitled "An act supplementary to an act concerning navigation," to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That, in the event of the signature of any treaty or convention concerning the navigation or commerce between the United States and France, the President of the United States be, and is hereby, authorized, should he deem the same expedient, by proclamation, to suspend, until the end of the next session of Congress, the operation of the act, entitled "An act to impose a new tonnage duty on French ships and vessels," and for other purposes; and also to suspend, as aforesaid, all other duties on French vessels, or the goods imported in the same, which may exceed the duties on American vessels, and on similar goods imported in the same.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the aforesaid first and second sections of this act shall continue in force to the end of the next session of Congress, and no longer.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the third, fourth, and seventh sections of the act passed the third day of March, one thousand eight

The President being satisfied that the ports of the British West India Islands or colonies have been opened, &c., he may declare the ports of the United States open, &c.

Act of April 18, 1818, ch. 70.

Act of May 15, 1820, ch. 122.

In the event of a signature of a treaty, &c., concerning the navigation or commerce between the United States and France, the President may, &c.

Act of May 15, 1820, ch. 126.

1st and 2d sections of this act in force, until, &c.

The 3d, 4th,