

STATUTE I.

May 10, 1800.

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CHAP. XLIX.—*An Act to establish the district of Kennebunk, and to annex Lyme to New London; and to alter the district of Bermuda Hundred and City Point; and therein to amend the act intituled "An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage."*

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That from and after the thirtieth day of June next, the towns of Wells and Arundel, in the state of Massachusetts, and all the shores and waters thereof, shall be a district, to be called the district of Kennebunk, of which the port of Kennebunk shall be the sole port of entry; and the ports of Wells and Cape Porpoise shall be ports of delivery only, and a collector for the district shall be appointed to reside at Kennebunk.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That ships and vessels owned in whole or in part in the towns of Edgcomb and Newcastle, in the district of Maine, having entered in due form of law at the port of Wiscasset, and taken on board an officer, shall be permitted to unlade in the parts of the said towns which adjoin Sheepscut river.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That from and after the thirtieth day of June next, the town of Lyme, in the state of Connecticut, and the shores and waters thereof, shall be annexed as a port of delivery only to the district of New London, and all vessels bound to or from the said port of Lyme, shall first come to, enter, and clear at the said port of New London: *Provided however,* that the surveyor appointed to reside at Saybrook shall be authorized to visit and inspect ships or vessels arriving at said port of Lyme, and generally to perform the duties of a surveyor, as may be requisite within said port.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That from and after the thirtieth day of June next, the district of Bermuda Hundred and City Point as at present constituted, in the state of Virginia, shall be called the district of Petersburg, to comprehend Petersburg, City Point, and all the waters, shores, bays, harbors, and inlets of James river, from Hood's and the junction of Chicahoming to the junction of the James and Appamattox rivers, and from thence to the highest tide-water of Appamattox, and also the Chicahoming to its highest tide-water mark; and the port for the said district shall extend from Petersburg to City Point. And another district shall be formed to be called the district of Richmond, to comprehend Richmond, and Manchester, and Bermuda Hundred, and all the waters, shores, bays, harbors, and inlets of James river from Bermuda Hundred, including the harbor thereof, to the highest tide-water of James river; and the port shall extend from Richmond and Manchester to Bermuda Hundred. The office of collector for the district of Petersburg shall be kept in the town of Petersburg; and a collector shall be appointed for the Richmond district, whose office shall be kept in the city of Richmond; and the surveyors within those two districts shall continue to reside at the places at present established by law.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the master of any ship or vessel, bound to any district of James river above Sewal's Point, shall, before he pass by the said Point, and immediately after his arrival either at the same or at Hampton Road, deposit with the collector of the port of Norfolk and Portsmouth, or of Hampton, a true manifest of the cargo on board such ship or vessel; and the said collector shall, after registering the manifest, transmit the same duly certified to have been so deposited, to the officer with whom the entries are to be made: and the said collector may, whenever he shall judge it to be necessary for the security of the revenue, put an inspector of the customs on board any such ship or vessel, to accompany the same until her arrival at the first port of entry or delivery, in the district, to which such ship or vessel may be destined. And if the master or commander of any such ship or vessel

shall neglect or omit to deposit a manifest in manner as aforesaid, or shall refuse to receive an inspector of the customs on board, as the case shall require, he shall forfeit and pay five hundred dollars, to be recovered with costs of suit, one half for the use of the officer with whom such manifest ought to have been deposited, and the other half to the use of the collector of the district to which the said ship or vessel may be bound.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That such part and so much of the act, intituled "An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage," as comes within the purview of this act, being contrary hereto, shall be and hereby is repealed.

Repeal of part
of the former
act.
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CHAP. L.—*An Act supplemental to the act intituled "An act for an amicable settlement of limits with the State of Georgia; and authorizing the establishment of a Government in the Mississippi territory."*

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That so much of the ordinance of Congress of the thirteenth of July, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, and of the act of Congress of the seventh of August, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, providing for the government of the territory of the United States northwest of the river Ohio, as relates to the organization of a general assembly therein, and prescribes the powers thereof, shall forthwith operate, and be in force in the Mississippi territory: *Provided*, that until the number of free male inhabitants of full age, in the said territory, shall amount to five thousand, there shall not be returned to the general assembly more than nine representatives.

Organization
of a general
assembly in the
Mississippi ter-
ritory.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That until the number of free male inhabitants of full age in the Mississippi territory shall amount to five thousand, the county of Adams shall be entitled to choose four representatives to the general assembly, the county of Pickering four, and the Tensaw and Tombigbee settlements, one.

Representa-
tives to the gen-
eral assembly.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the first election, for representatives to the general assembly, shall be on the fourth Monday in July next, and that all subsequent elections shall be regulated by the legislature.

First election.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the governor of the Mississippi territory, to cause the said election to be holden on the day aforesaid, at the most convenient place in the counties and settlements aforesaid, and to nominate a proper officer or officers to preside at and conduct the same, and to return to him the names of the persons who may have been duly elected.

Election to be
holden at the
most conveni-
ent place.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the representatives shall be convened by the governor at the town of Natchez, on the fourth Monday in September next.

Assembly to
meet at Nat-
chez.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That so soon as the number of free male inhabitants of full age shall amount to, or exceed five thousand, the number of representatives to the general assembly shall be determined, and the apportionment made in the way prescribed in the ordinance.

Number of
Representatives
after census.
1808, ch. 9.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That nothing in this act shall in any respect impair the right of the state of Georgia to the jurisdiction, or of the said state, or of any person or persons to the soil of the said territory, but the rights and claims of the said state, and all persons interested, are hereby declared to be as firm and available as if this act had never been made.

Saving of the
rights of Geor-
gia, and of all
persons.

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