

sectional lines already established.

Notice to be given by persons claiming, under the foregoing section.

Their rights otherwise forfeited.

Time allowed to persons having pre-emption rights.

This act not to extend to certain other claimants.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That every person claiming a tract of land by virtue of this act shall, before the first day of October next, deliver to the register of the land-office within whose district the land may be, a notice of his claim in writing, together with a plat of the tract of land claimed; and if any person shall fail to deliver such notice and plat, the person or persons so failing, shall forfeit all claim or pretension of claim to such tract of land, and the same shall be sold with the other lands of the United States in said territory.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That persons entitled to a right of pre-emption under the first section of this act, shall be allowed until the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and nine, to make the first payment of the purchase money of such tract or tracts of land as may be claimed by virtue of said section, and the residue of the said purchase money shall be paid in the same manner, and under the same conditions as directed for the other lands in said territory.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall not extend to any person or persons claiming other lands in said territory in his or their own right, by virtue of British or Spanish grants, or to any person or persons to whom a donation has been granted, by either of the said boards of commissioners.

APPROVED, January 19, 1808.

STATUTE I.

Jan. 19, 1808.

[Obsolete.]

Part of a former act revived and continued in force.

Act of March 26, 1804, ch. 46.
Act of Jan. 10, 1809, ch. 7.

Proviso.

CHAP. XI.—*An Act to revive and continue in force for a further time the first section of the act, intituled "An act further to protect the commerce and seamen of the United States against the Barbary powers."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the act passed on the twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and four, intituled "An act further to protect the commerce and seamen of the United States against the Barbary powers," as is contained in the first section of the said act, be, and the same hereby is revived and continued in force, until the first day of January next: *Provided however*, that the additional duty laid by the said section, shall be collected on all such goods, wares and merchandise, liable to pay the same, as shall have been imported previous to that day.

APPROVED, January 19, 1808.

STATUTE I.

Jan. 21, 1808.

[Obsolete.]

Expenses authorized by the committee of inquiry or the managers of the impeachment of Judge Chase to be settled, and paid.

Proviso.

1804, ch. 29.

CHAP. XII.—*An Act to provide for the payment of certain expenses incurred in the impeachment of Samuel Chase.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury be, and they are hereby directed to audit and settle the accounts of all persons who may have claims against the United States, for expenses incurred in the inquiry into the conduct, and in the impeachment of Samuel Chase; which expenses may have been authorized by the committee of inquiry, or the managers of the said impeachment: *Provided*, that the said accounts shall have been first certified by the chairman of the said committee, or managers; and the same shall be paid out of any monies in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, January 21, 1808.

STATUTE I.

Jan. 27, 1808.

[Obsolete.]

Act of Feb. 20, 1804, ch. 12,

CHAP. XIV.—*An Act to continue in force for a limited time an act, intituled "An act continuing for a limited time the salaries of the officers of government therein mentioned."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an act passed on the

twentieth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and four, intitled "An act continuing for a limited time the salaries of the officers of government, therein mentioned," shall be, and continue in force for the term of three years, and to the end of the next session of Congress thereafter, and no longer.

APPROVED, January 27, 1808.

continued in force for three years.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XV.—*An Act authorizing the erection of a bridge over the river Potomac, within the District of Columbia.*

Feb. 5, 1808.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following persons, viz: Robert Brent, Daniel Carroll, of Duddington, Thomas Monroe, James D. Barry, Frederick May, Samuel Harrison Smith, Jonah Thompson, Jonathan Swift, Thomas Vowell, Cuthbert Powell, Elisha Janney, and Charles Alexander, or any seven of them, be, and they are hereby constituted a board of commissioners, with full power and authority to open, or cause to be opened, books for receiving and entering subscriptions for raising a capital stock, not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, in shares of one hundred dollars each, for the purpose of erecting a bridge over the river Potomac, between the city of Washington and Alexander's island, and making such other incidental works, and defraying such other incidental expenses, as shall be required by this act, or deemed necessary or expedient by the company herein after named; the time, place and manner of receiving and entering such subscriptions, to be ascertained by the said board of commissioners, and duly advertised in such gazettes, as they may deem expedient: *Provided*, that the time to be fixed upon by the said board of commissioners, for opening books for receiving the said subscriptions, shall be on or before the first Monday in July next, and that no subscription shall be received, unless the sum of ten dollars be first paid into the hands of the person authorized to receive the same, on each share subscribed for.

Names of persons constituted a board of commissioners for receiving subscriptions, &c. &c.

Site of the bridge.

Books to be opened before the first Monday in July, 1808.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That whenever nineteen hundred of the said shares shall be subscribed for, all persons who may then be, or thereafter may become, the actual holders or proprietors of shares in the said capital stock, either as subscribers for the same, or as the legal representatives, successors, or assignees of such subscribers, shall be, and they are hereby made and created a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of "The Washington Bridge Company," and by that name may sue, and be sued, implead, and be impleaded, and do and suffer all acts, matters and things, which a body politic and corporate may lawfully do and suffer; and may have a common seal, and the same may break and alter at pleasure, and may make all by-laws, rules, regulations and ordinances for the good government and well being of the said company, and for carrying into effect the objects of their institution, so that such by-laws, rules, regulations or ordinances, be not repugnant to the laws of the United States, in force within the district of Columbia.

The company made a body politic or corporate.

Name of the company.

Their powers, &c. &c.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That when nineteen hundred of the said shares shall be subscribed for, as aforesaid, or as soon after as may be, the said board of commissioners shall call a meeting of the company, at the city of Washington, by public advertisement, in one or more gazettes, published in Washington, Alexandria, or Georgetown, appointing a fit and convenient time and place of meeting, for the purpose of electing five directors, a clerk and a treasurer, and such other officers, agents and servants, as the said company may think fit to appoint, and for transacting any other business in pursuance of this act and appertaining to the nature and objects of the institution of the said

A meeting of the company to be advertised for choosing directors, officers, &c. &c.