

CHAP. V.—*An Act to continue in force "An act declaring the assent of Congress to a certain act of the state of South Carolina, passed the twenty-first of December, one thousand eight hundred and four."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act of the twenty-eighth of March, one thousand eight hundred and six, entitled "An act declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the state of South Carolina, passed on the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and four, so far as the same relates to authorizing the city council of Charleston to impose and collect a duty on the tonnage of vessels from foreign ports," be and the same is hereby continued in force from the passage of this act for five years, and thence to the end of the next session of Congress thereafter, and no longer.

APPROVED, June 15, 1809.

STATUTE I.
June 15, 1809.

[Expired.]
Act of March 28, 1806, ch. 17, continued in force for five years.

CHAP. VII.—*An Act to fix the time for the next meeting of Congress.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That after the adjournment of the present session, the next meeting of Congress shall be on the fourth Monday of November next.

APPROVED, June 24, 1809.

STATUTE I.
June 24, 1809.

Congress to meet on the fourth Monday in Nov. 1809.

CHAP. VIII.—*An Act for the remission of certain penalties and forfeitures, and for other purposes.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized to remit any penalty or forfeiture which may have been incurred in consequence of the violation of any of the provisions of the act, entitled "An act to prohibit the importation of slaves into any port or place within the jurisdiction of the United States, from and after the first day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eight," by any person who may have been concerned in bringing into any port or place within the jurisdiction of the United States, any slave or slaves, owned by any person or persons, who shall have been forcibly expelled from the island of Cuba, by order of the government thereof: and the President of the United States is hereby further authorized to release all vessels and other effects, which may have been or may hereafter be seized therefor: *Provided,* that he shall be first satisfied in every case, that the person thus concerned in bringing in such slave or slaves as aforesaid, was impelled thereto, by circumstances which, in the judgment of the President of the United States, would justify the act; and without any intention on the part of such person voluntarily to evade any of the provisions of the act aforesaid: *And provided also,* that such slave or slaves shall have been brought into the United States in the same vessel and at the same time as their owner or owners respectively.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized to make any arrangement with the minister plenipotentiary of France, which he may deem necessary and proper for transporting such of the unfortunate exiles from the said island of Cuba, with their effects, as shall desire to depart from the United States to any port or place within the territories of France, her colonies or dependencies, any law to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided,* that the vessels transporting the same shall depart only in ballast, and without taking on board any other cargo than such sea

STATUTE I.
June 28, 1809.

[Obsolete.]
President authorized to remit penalties and forfeitures, in the case of certain fugitives from Cuba, incurred under the act to prohibit the importation of slaves.
Act of March 2, 1807, ch. 22.

Proviso, that the President shall be satisfied that the person was impelled to import the slave or slaves; and provided, the slave has been brought in the same vessel with the owner.

President authorized to make arrangements with the French minister for transporting the exiles to France, &c. &c.

Appropriation. stores as may be deemed necessary for the voyage in every case. And to enable the President to carry into effect any such arrangement, as well as for supplying, temporarily, such of the unfortunate exiles with the necessaries of subsistence, as may be in actual want thereof, there be appropriated the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for these objects, to be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated: *Provided however*, that all monies which may be drawn out of the treasury, in virtue of this act, shall be charged to the French government, under such stipulations for reimbursing the same, on the part of the minister plenipotentiary of France, as, in the judgment of the President. may be deemed proper for that object.

Conditions upon which it is to be applied.

Interest of the U. States in the proceeds of the sale of the Clara given up.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all claim and demand of the United States to any monies arising from the sale of the ship Clara, sold in pursuance of a decree of the district court for Orleans district, holden in March, one thousand eight hundred and nine, be, and the same is hereby relinquished and remitted to Andrew Foster and Jacob P. Giraud, late owners of the said ship Clara, any thing in any former law to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPROVED, June 28, 1809.

STATUTE II.

June 28, 1809.

[Expired.]

Act of March 1, 1809, ch. 24.

Certain parts of non-intercourse law continued in force.

Third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, seventeenth and eighteenth sections.

Not to be construed to affect the commercial intercourse permitted by the eleventh section.

Declaratory clause.

Proviso, that all penalties, &c. shall remain.

Act of Dec. 22, 1807, ch. 5.

Act of March 1, 1809, ch. 24.

Vessels prohibited from going to interdicted ports.

CHAP. IX.—*An Act to amend and continue in force certain parts of the act entitled "An act to interdict the commercial intercourse between the United States and Great Britain and France, and their dependencies, and for other purposes."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, seventeenth and eighteenth sections of the act, entitled "An act to interdict the commercial intercourse between the United States and Great Britain and France and their dependencies, and for other purposes," shall continue in force until the end of the next session of Congress: *Provided*, that nothing therein contained shall be construed to prohibit any trade or commercial intercourse which has been or may be permitted in conformity with the provisions of the eleventh section of the said act.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts repealed, or mentioned or intended to be repealed by the said act to interdict commercial intercourse between the United States and Great Britain and France, and their dependencies, shall be and remain repealed, notwithstanding any part of the same act which has been or may hereafter be revoked or annulled, or which may expire by its own limitation: *Provided*, that all the penalties and forfeitures which may have been incurred, or shall hereafter be incurred on account of any infraction of the act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States, or of any of the acts supplementary thereto, or of the act to enforce and make more effectual an act, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," or of any of the provisions of the act to interdict the commercial intercourse between the United States and Great Britain and France and their dependencies, and for other purposes, shall after the expiration of any of the said acts or of any provision thereof, be recovered and distributed in like manner as if the said acts and every provision thereof had continued in full force and virtue.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That during the continuance of this act, no ship or vessel, except such as may be chartered or employed for the public service by the President of the United States, shall be permitted to depart for any foreign port or place with which commercial intercourse has not been or may not be permitted by virtue of this act,