

SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That nothing in this act contained, shall prevent the sailing of any private armed vessel duly commissioned by any foreign power in amity with the United States, nor of any vessel of the United States duly commissioned by virtue of an act, entitled "An act concerning letters of marque, prizes, and prize goods," passed on the twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twelve: *Provided always nevertheless*, That it shall be lawful for, and the duty of all officers of the customs and revenue officers of the United States, and they are hereby enjoined, to examine, search, and effectually ascertain, the amount and kind of articles all such vessels about sailing may have on board, so as to prevent their taking any cargo or other lading than the stores, provisions, armament, furniture, and equipment, generally proper and necessary for such vessels.

SEC. 17. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever it shall appear, on report made to any collector of the customs, by any officer of the customs, revenue officer, or other person, that any private armed vessel has on board any article or articles whatever, goods, wares, merchandise, or cargo of any description, intended for trade or traffic with the enemies of the United States, either directly or intermediately through any neutral or other person or persons, or for exportation, it shall be the duty of the said collector, and he is hereby authorized, to seize all such articles, goods, wares, merchandise, and cargo of every description, and to have the same landed forthwith, to be proceeded against as forfeited to the United States.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted*, That in all such cases it shall be the duty of the district attorney of the United States, for the district within which the said proceedings shall take place, to proceed in due form of law for the condemnation and forfeiture of the said articles to the use of the United States.

SEC. 19. *And be it further enacted*, That in all cases of condemnation as aforesaid, the captain or other commanding officer, and each and every of the owners of such private armed vessels, shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars each.

SEC. 20. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall be in force from and after the passing thereof, until the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, unless a cessation of hostilities between the United States and Great Britain and Ireland and their dependencies, shall take place before that day; in which event, or in any other event that shall, in the opinion of the President, render the termination of the embargo hereby imposed compatible with the public interest, the President of the United States is hereby authorized to declare by proclamation, that this act is to cease and have no effect.

APPROVED, December 17, 1813.

Foreign armed vessels not affected by this act, nor those of the United States.

Act of June 26, 1812, ch. 107.

Proviso.

Collectors may seize such articles as are put on board private armed vessels contrary to this act.

Made the duty of the local district attorney to institute legal proceedings accordingly.

Additional fines upon the captains or commanders of such private armed vessels.

Continuance of this act.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. II.—*An act making certain partial appropriations for the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.*

January 11, 1814.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That a sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated towards defraying the expenses of the military establishment of the United States during the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

[Obsolete.] Appropriation of one million five hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the following sums be appropriated for the purposes herein recited, that is to say: Towards defraying the compensation granted by law to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, their officers and attendants, during the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen. the sum of fifty thousand dollars.

Compensation to the Senate and House of Representatives.

Contingent expenses of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Towards defraying the contingent expenses of the House of Representatives, during the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, ten thousand dollars:

Navy.

Towards defraying the contingent expenses of the Senate, during the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, three thousand dollars:

Towards defraying the expenses of the navy of the United States, for the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, the sum of one million of dollars.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the several appropriations herein before made, shall be paid and discharged out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, January 11, 1814.

STATUTE II.

Jan. 17, 1814.

[Obsolete.]

Where the legislature of a state shall not meet before January 1, 1814, such state to be allowed until February to make payment of the quota of the state of the direct tax.

CHAP. IV.—*An Act to amend the seventh section of the act, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States."*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in every case where the legislature of a state shall not convene prior to the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, no notice of the assumption of the quota of such state of the direct tax shall be deemed necessary; and such state shall be allowed until the twentieth of February next for making payment, and shall receive thereon the same deduction as if such payment had been made on the tenth day of February.

APPROVED, January 17, 1814.

STATUTE II.

January 25, 1814.

[Obsolete.]

Permission given to the inhabitants of Nantucket island to hold an intercourse with the main on certain conditions.

CHAP. V.—*An act authorizing the President of the United States to grant certain permissions to the inhabitants of the island of Nantucket.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That during the continuance of the act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbours of the United States, it shall be lawful for the President of the United States, and he is hereby authorized and empowered, when in his opinion the public interest shall not forbid it, to grant permission, on application made therefor, to any inhabitant or inhabitants of the island of Nantucket, to employ any ship, vessel, or boat, for the purpose of conveying from the main land to said island, fuel, provisions and other necessaries for the subsistence of the inhabitants thereof, and of carrying from Nantucket to the main land, in the ship, vessel, or boat, oil, spermaceti candles and fish, under such regulations and restrictions, and with such security as are required by the fourth section of the act "laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbours of the United States."

APPROVED, January 25, 1814.

Act of December 17, 1813, ch. 1.

STATUTE II.

January 27, 1814.

[Obsolete.]

Act of March 3, 1815, ch. 78.

CHAP. VII.—*An act making further provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorizing the re-enlistments, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in order to complete the present military establishment to the full number authorized by law with the greatest possible despatch, there shall be paid to each effective able-bodied man who shall after the first day of February next be