

prohibitory regulations, the restrictions imposed by the act to cease with respect to that nation.

of to certain ports of the United States, shall discontinue such regulations, the President of the United States is hereby authorized to declare that fact by his proclamation, and the restrictions imposed by this act shall, from the date of such proclamation, cease and be discontinued in relation to the nation, or its dependencies, discontinuing such regulations.

APPROVED, March 3, 1817.

STATUTE II.

March 3, 1817.

CHAP. XL.—*An Act authorizing the deposit of the papers of foreign vessels, with the consul of their respective nations.*

Act of Feb. 26, 1803, ch. 9. Ships' papers to be produced to the collector before entry.

The papers to be deposited with the consul of the nation within forty-eight hours.

Fine in case of non-compliance. Proviso; as to foreign nations in whose ports American consuls are not allowed to have custody of papers according to the act mentioned.

1803, ch. 9. Consul not to deliver the papers to the master until he produces a clearance.

Consuls offending to be fined.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the register, or other document in lieu thereof, together with the clearance and other papers, granted by the officers of the customs to any foreign ship or vessel, at her departure from the port or place from which she may have arrived, shall, previous to entry in any port of the United States, be produced to the collector with whom such entry is to be made. And it shall be the duty of the master or commander, within forty-eight hours after such entry, to deposit the said papers with the consul or vice-consul of the nation to which the vessel belongs, and to deliver to the collector the certificate of such consul or vice-consul, that the said papers have been so deposited; and any master, or commander, as aforesaid, who shall fail to comply with this regulation, shall, upon conviction thereof in any court of competent jurisdiction, be fined in a sum not less than five hundred dollars, nor exceeding two thousand dollars; *Provided,* That this act shall not extend to the vessels of foreign nations in whose ports American consuls are not permitted to have the custody and possession of the register and other papers of vessels entering the ports of such nation, according to the provisions of the second section of the act supplementary to the act "concerning consuls and vice-consuls, and for the further protection of American seamen," passed the twenty-eighth of February, one thousand eight hundred and three.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall not be lawful for any foreign consul to deliver to the master or commander of any foreign vessel the register and other papers deposited with him pursuant to the provisions of this act, until such master or commander shall produce to him a clearance in due form from the collector of the port where such vessel has been entered; and any consul offending against the provisions of this act shall, upon conviction thereof before the Supreme Court of the United States, be fined at the discretion of the court in a sum not less than five hundred dollars, nor exceeding five thousand dollars.

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STATUTE II.

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[Obsolete.]

Decayed furniture to be sold, and the proceeds and 20,000 dolls. additional appropriated for furnishing the President's house anew.

CHAP. LXI.—*An Act to provide for furnishing the house of the President of the United States.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That after the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered, to cause to be sold such articles furnished by the United States for the President's household, as may be decayed, out of repair, or unfit for use; and that the proceeds of sales, and so much of a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, in addition thereto, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, as the President of the United States may judge necessary, be, and hereby are, appropriated for the accommodation of

the household of the President, to be laid out and expended for such articles of furniture as he shall direct.

APPROVED, March 3, 1817.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. XLII.—*An Act further to regulate the territories of the United States, and their electing delegates to Congress.*

March 3, 1817.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That in every territory of the United States in which a temporary government has been, or hereafter shall be established, and which by virtue of the ordinance of Congress of the thirteenth of July, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, or of any subsequent act of Congress, passed or to be passed, now hath or hereafter shall have the right to send a delegate to Congress, such delegate shall be elected every second year, for the same term of two years for which members of the house of representatives of the United States are elected; and in that house each of the said delegates shall have a seat with a right of debating, but not of voting.

Delegates to Congress to be elected every second year.

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SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That on the first Monday of August next the citizens of the territory of Missouri, qualified according to the act, entitled "An act providing for the government of the territory of Missouri," shall elect a delegate to Congress; and it shall be the duty of the general assembly of the said territory to make provision by law for the annual or biennial meetings of the said general assembly, as the interests of the territory may in their opinion require; and such annual or biennial meeting shall be on the first Monday of December, unless they shall by law appoint a different day. And so much of any law, or laws, as are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

The citizens of Missouri to elect a delegate to Congress.

Act of June 4, 1812, ch. 95.

Provision to be made for the meeting of the general assembly.

APPROVED, March 3, 1817.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. XLIII.—*An Act to continue in force an act, entitled "An act for establishing trading houses with the Indian tribes."*

March 3, 1817.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the act, entitled "An act for establishing trading houses with the Indian tribes," passed on the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, and which was continued in force for a limited time by an act passed on the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, shall be, and the same is hereby, further continued in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and no longer.

Act of March 2, 1811, ch. 30.

The act for establishing trading houses with the Indian tribes continued until the 1st of May, 1818.

Act of May 6, 1822, ch. 54.

APPROVED, March 3, 1817.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. XLIV.—*An Act to alter and establish certain post-roads.*

March 3, 1817.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the post-roads hereafter named be discontinued:

[Obsolete.]  
Post-roads discontinued.

*In Pennsylvania.*—From Wysoxby, Orville and Warren to Nanticoke. From Silver Lake or Montrose to Binghampton.

From Williamsport to Jersey Shore.

*In Virginia.*—From Liberty to Fincastle.

*In Indiana.*—From Brookville, by Bath and Lewistown, to Salisbury.

Virginia.

Indiana.