

CHAP. XXXVI.—*An Act declaring the consent of Congress to an act of the state of North Carolina for the relief of sick and disabled American Seamen.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the assent of Congress be, and hereby is, granted and declared to an act of the legislature of the State of North Carolina, entitled "An act for the relief of sick and disabled American seamen," and passed on the twenty-third day of December last; and the said act is hereby ratified and confirmed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this act shall be in force for five years and no longer.

APPROVED, April 4, 1818.

STATUTE I.
April 4, 1818.

The assent of Congress granted to an act of North Carolina for the relief of sick and disabled American seamen.
This act in force for five years.

CHAP. XXXVII.—*An Act concerning the bounty or allowance to fishing vessels in certain cases.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That where any fishing vessel of the United States has been, since the eighteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, prevented, by illegal capture or seizure, under authority, or pretence of authority, from any foreign government, from fishing at sea, for any part of the term of four months required by law to be employed by such vessel in fishing, in order to entitle the owner of such vessel to the bounty or allowance prescribed by law, the time of the unlawful detention of such vessel shall be computed as a part of the said four months, and such bounty or allowance shall be paid accordingly: *Provided,* That such vessel has, in all other respects, complied with the requisites of the laws now in force.

APPROVED, April 4, 1818.

STATUTE I.
April 4, 1818.

Where fishing vessels, since the 18th Feb., 1815, have been prevented by illegal capture, &c., from fishing at sea for any part of the four months required, &c., the time to be computed, and the bounty, &c., to be paid.
Proviso: the other requisites must have been complied with.

CHAP. XL.—*An Act to regulate the fees of public notaries in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the public notaries appointed for, and residing in, the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia, shall be, and they are hereby, severally authorized to demand and receive, for any services required of them in that capacity, such fees as are now allowed to the public notaries of the state of Maryland, by the laws of that state, for similar services.

APPROVED, April 4, 1818.

STATUTE I.
April 4, 1818.

The public notaries of Washington county to receive the same fees as public notaries in Maryland.

CHAP. XLII.—*An Act limiting the time for claims being produced for lands authorized to be granted to the inhabitants of New Madrid.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That every person claiming lands in virtue of the act entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the late county of New Madrid, in the Missouri territory, who suffered by earthquakes," passed on the seventeenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, shall make application therefor, and produce evidence, in support of his claim, to the recorder of land titles for the said territory, on or before the first day of January next: and the said recorder shall not issue a certificate for any claim as aforesaid, the evidence in support of which shall not have been produced to him within the time limited as aforesaid.

APPROVED, April 9, 1818.

STATUTE I.
April 9, 1818.

Act of Feb. 17, 1815, ch. 45. Persons claiming lands, in virtue of the act mentioned, to make application, &c., on or before the 1st Jan., 1819.
Recorder not to issue certificate where the evidence has not been produced within the time.

CHAP. XLIII.—*An Act concerning the territory of Alabama.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That any person or persons

STATUTE I.
April 9, 1818.

Persons who purchase a quarter section