

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the several appropriations hereinbefore made, shall be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Arrearages.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the arrearages of the Department of War, from the first of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, to the first of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be paid out of the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars already appropriated for arrearages prior to the first of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen; any thing in the act entitled "An act in addition to the several acts for the establishment and regulation of the Treasury, War, and Navy Departments," passed the first of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Act of May 1,
1820, ch. 50.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXIX.—*An Act to provide for the building an addition to the custom-house now erecting in the city of New Orleans, for the use of the district court of the United States for the state of Louisiana.*

An addition
to be built to the
custom-house at
New Orleans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury cause to be built an addition to the custom-house now erecting in the city of New Orleans, which shall contain rooms suitable for the use of the district court of the United States for the state of Louisiana; and that so much of the appropriation for the erection of custom-houses and public warehouses as shall be sufficient for that purpose, be, and the same is hereby declared to be, applicable to that object.

When the
new building is
completed, the
present house
and lot, &c.
are to be sold,
&c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That, as soon as the said building shall be completed, the Secretary of the Treasury shall be authorized and required to cause to be sold, at public sale, upon such terms, and in such manner, as he shall judge to be expedient, the house and lot in which the district court is now held, and to cause the amount for which they shall be sold to be paid into the treasury of the United States.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXI.—*An Act to authorize the governor of Illinois to obtain certain abstracts of lands from certain public offices.*

The register
of the land office
at Vincennes to
furnish a complete
abstract of lands
purchased and
lying in Illinois,
&c.

Ten cents to
the register for
each entry.
Proviso.

Secretary of
the Treasury to
cause a complete
abstract to be
made out, of
military bounty
lands patented
to soldiers, lying
in Illinois.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the register of the United States' land office at Vincennes, in the state of Indiana, to furnish to the governor of the state of Illinois, when he shall apply for the same, a complete abstract of all the lands which have been purchased at that office, or which may hereafter be purchased, which lie within the state of Illinois, designating the name of each purchaser, and the time of making the purchase; for which he shall be entitled to receive, from such applicant, at the rate of ten cents for each separate entry, a copy whereof is required; *Provided, however*, That all the expense incurred by virtue of this act, shall be defrayed by said state.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, upon the application of the governor of said state, to cause a complete abstract to be made out, for the use of said state, of all the military bounty lands which have been patented to the soldiers of the late army, lying within the same, designating the name of each patentee.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXII.—*An Act supplementary to an act, entitled "An act concerning navigation."*

Act of April
18, 1818, ch. 65.
After 30th

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That, from and after the thir-

tieth day of September next, the ports of the United States shall be and remain closed against every vessel owned wholly, or in part, by a subject or subjects of his Britannic majesty, coming, or arriving by sea, from any port or place in the province of Lower Canada, or coming or arriving from any port or place in the province of New Brunswick, the province of Nova Scotia, the islands of Newfoundland, St. Johns, or Cape Breton, or the dependencies of any of them, the islands of Bermuda, the Bahama islands, the islands called Caicos, or the dependencies of any of them, or from any other port or place in any island, colony, territory, or possession, under the dominion of Great Britain in the West Indies, or on the continent of America, south of the southern boundary of the United States, and not included within the act to which this act is supplementary. And every such vessel, so excluded from the ports of the United States, that shall enter, or attempt to enter, the same, in violation of this act, shall, with her tackle, apparel, and furniture, together with the cargo on board such vessel, be forfeited to the United States.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the thirtieth day of September next, the owner, consignee, or agent, of every vessel, owned wholly, or in part, by a subject or subjects of his Britannic majesty, which shall have been duly entered in any port of the United States, and on board of which shall have been there laden, for exportation, any article or articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture, of the United States, other than provisions and sea stores, necessary for the voyage, shall, before such vessel shall have been cleared outward at the custom-house, give bond in a sum double the value of such article or articles, with one or more sureties, to the satisfaction of the collector, that the article or articles so laden on board such vessel, for exportation, shall be landed in some port or place other than a port or place in any province, island, colony, territory, or possession, belonging to his Britannic majesty, that is mentioned or described in this act, or in the act to which this act is supplementary. And every such vessel that shall sail, or attempt to sail from any port of the United States, without having complied with the provisions aforesaid, by giving bond as aforesaid, shall, with her tackle, apparel, and furniture, together with the article or articles aforesaid, laden on board the same as aforesaid, be forfeited to the United States: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed so as to violate any provision of the convention to regulate commerce between the territories of the United States and of his Britannic majesty, signed the third day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the thirtieth day of September next, no goods, wares, or merchandise, shall be imported into the United States of America from the province of Nova Scotia, the province of New Brunswick, the islands of Cape Breton, St. Johns, Newfoundland, or their respective dependencies, from the Bermuda islands, the Bahama islands, the islands called Caicos, or either or any of the aforesaid possessions, islands, or places, or from any other province, possession, plantation, island, or place, under the dominion of Great Britain in the West Indies, or on the continent of America, south of the southern boundaries of the United States, except only such goods, wares, and merchandise, as are truly and wholly of the growth, produce, or manufacture, of the province, colony, plantation, island, possession, or place aforesaid, where the same shall be laden, and from whence such goods, wares, or merchandise, shall be directly imported into the United States; and all goods, wares, and merchandise, imported, or attempted to be imported, into the United States of America, contrary to the provisions of this act, together with the vessel on board of which the same shall be laden, her tackle, apparel, and furniture, shall be forfeited to the United States.

Sept., 1820, ports of United States closed against British vessels coming from Lower Canada, New Brunswick, &c.

Vessel and cargo forfeited on attempting to enter.

Bonds to be given by the owner, &c. of British vessels, after 30th Sept., 1820, laden with articles of the growth, &c. of the United States for exportation, not to land them in the prohibited places.

Vessels and articles forfeited for attempting to sail before bond given.

Proviso.

No goods, wares, or merchandise, to be imported from the prohibited places, except they are wholly of the growth, &c. of the colony where laden and whence directly imported.

Vessel and goods forfeited in case of importations contrary to this act.

This act to be carried into effect as act of 18th April, 1818, ch. 65.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the form of the bond aforesaid shall be prescribed, and the same shall be discharged, and all penalties and forfeitures, incurred under this act, shall be sued for, recovered, distributed, and accounted for, and the same may be mitigated, or remitted, in the manner, and according to the provisions, of the act to which this act is supplementary.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXIII.—*An Act to authorize the appointment of commissioners to lay out the road therein mentioned. (a)*

Whereas, by the continuation of the Cumberland road from Wheeling in the state of Virginia, through the states of Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, the lands of the United States may become more valuable—

The President to appoint three commissioners, not citizens of Ohio, Indiana, or Illinois, to examine the country between Wheeling and a point on the Mississippi, &c. and lay out a road.

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 appoint three impartial and judicious persons, not being citizens of any of the states aforesaid, to be commissioners, and, in case of the death or resignation of any of them, to appoint other and like persons in their place, who shall have power carefully to examine the country, between Wheeling, in the state of Virginia, and a point on the left bank of the Mississippi river, to be chosen by said commissioners, between St. Louis and the mouth of the Illinois river, and to lay out a road from Wheeling aforesaid, to the point so to be chosen on the left bank of the river Mississippi; the said road to be on a straight line, or as nearly so as, having a due regard to the condition and situation of the ground and water-courses over which the same shall be laid out, shall be deemed expedient and practicable. And said commissioners shall have power to employ able surveyors, chain-bearers, and other necessary assistants, in laying out said road; and so much of the lands of the United States as may be included within the same, shall be, and is hereby, reserved and excepted from the sales of the public lands. The said road to be eighty feet wide, and designated by marked trees, stakes, or other conspicuous monuments, at the distance of every quarter of a mile, and at every angle of deviation from a straight line. And the said commissioners shall cause to be made, and delivered to the President of the United States, an accurate plan of said road, so laid out by them as aforesaid, with a written report of their proceedings, describing therein the state lines crossed, and the marks, monuments, courses, and distances, by which the said road shall be designated; describing also, the water-courses, and the nature and quality of the ground over which the same shall be laid out; they shall, moreover, divide said road into sections of not more than ten, nor less than five, miles long, noticing the materials that may be used in making, and giving an estimate of the expense of making, each section of the road aforesaid.

Surveyors, chain-bearers, &c.

Lands for the road reserved from sales.

Road to be 80 feet wide, &c.

A plan of the road to be made out.

Roads to be divided into sections, with notice of materials for making each, and expense.

Commissioners, &c. to take an oath.

Compensation.

Proviso.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissioners, surveyors, chain-bearers, and other necessary assistants, to be appointed in pursuance of this act, shall severally take an oath, or affirmation, faithfully and diligently to perform their respective duties, and shall receive, in full compensation for their services and expenses, each commissioner six dollars, each surveyor three dollars, and each other necessary assistant one dollar, for each day in which they shall be necessarily employed in the service aforesaid: *Provided always, and it is hereby enacted and declared*, That nothing in this act contained, or that shall be done in pursuance thereof, shall be deemed or construed to imply any obligation on the part of the United States to make, or to defray the expense of making, the road hereby authorized to be laid out, or of any part thereof.

(a) For the acts of Congress relating to the Cumberland road, see vol. ii. p. 357.