

STATUTE I.

May 7, 1822.

CHAP. LXII.—*An Act to provide for the collection of duties on imports and tonnage in Florida, and for other purposes.*

Part of Florida annexed to the collection district of Saint Mary's, in Georgia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all the ports, harbours, waters, and shores of all that part of the main land of Florida lying between the collection district of St. Mary's, in Georgia, and the river Nassau, with all the ports, harbours, waters, and shores, of all the islands opposite and nearest thereto, be, and hereby are, annexed to, and made and constituted a part of, the collection district of St. Mary's, in Georgia.

District of St. Augustine.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all the ports, harbours, shores, and waters, of the main land of Florida, and of the islands opposite and nearest thereto, extending from the said river Nassau to Cape Sable, be, and the same are hereby, established a collection district, by the name of the district of St. Augustine, whereof St. Augustine shall be the only port of entry.

District of Key West.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all the ports, harbours, shores, and waters, of the main land of Florida, and of the islands opposite and nearest thereto, extending from Cape Sable to Charlotte Bay, be, and the same are, established a collection district, by the name of the district of Key West, and a port of entry may be established in said district, at such place as the President of the United States may designate: *Provided,* That until the President of the United States shall deem it expedient to establish a port of entry in the district of Key West, and a collector shall be appointed for said district, the same district is annexed to, and shall be a part of, the district of Apalachicola.

Proviso; Key West annexed to the district of Apalachicola, &c.

District of Apalachicola.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That all the ports, harbours, shores, and waters, of the main land of said Florida, and of the islands opposite and nearest thereto, extending from Charlotte Bay to Cape St. Blas, be, and hereby are, established a collection district, by the name of the district of Apalachicola; and a port of entry shall be established for said district, at such place as the President of the United States may designate.

District of Pensacola.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That all the residue of the ports, harbours, waters, and shores, of said Florida, and of the islands thereof, be, and the same are, established a collection district, by the name of the district of Pensacola, whereof Pensacola shall be the only port of entry.

The President authorized to establish ports of delivery, &c.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to establish such ports of delivery in each of said districts, and also in that portion of said territory annexed to the district of St. Mary's, as he may deem expedient.

The President to appoint a collector for each district.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That the President of the United States, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a collector for each district, to reside at the port of entry, and a surveyor for the district of Pensacola, and a surveyor for, and to reside at, each port of delivery authorized by this act: But the President, in the recess of the Senate, may make temporary appointments of any such collector or surveyor, whose commission shall expire in forty days from the commencement of the next session of Congress thereafter.

The President may make appointments in the recess, &c.

Collectors and surveyors to give bond, &c.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted,* That each collector and surveyor authorized by this act, shall give bond for the true and faithful discharge of his duties, in such sum as the President of the United States may direct and prescribe; and the collector for the district of Pensacola shall, in addition to the fees and emoluments allowed by law, receive three per cent. commissions, and no more, on all moneys received and paid by him on account of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, and on the tonnage of vessels; and each other collector shall, in addition to the fees and emoluments allowed by law, receive an annual salary of five

Collector of Pensacola to receive only three per cent. commissions in addition to fees and emoluments.

hundred dollars, and three per cent. commissions, and no more, on all moneys received and paid by him on account of the duties on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into his district, and on the tonnage of vessels; and each surveyor authorized by this act shall, in addition to the fees and emoluments allowed by law, receive an annual salary of three hundred dollars; and each such collector and surveyor shall exercise the same powers, be subject to the same duties, and be entitled to the same privileges and immunities, as other collectors and surveyors of the customs of the United States.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That ships or vessels arriving from and after the thirtieth day of June next, from the Cape of Good Hope, or from any place beyond the same, shall be admitted to make entry at the port of entry at Pensacola, and at no other port or place in Florida.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That all laws which impose any duties on the importation of any goods, wares, and merchandise, into said territory of Florida, or on the exportation of any goods, wares, and merchandise, from said territory, or on the tonnage of vessels, or which allow any drawback on the exportation of any goods, wares, or merchandise, other than such duties or drawbacks as are paid or allowed in other territories or places in the United States, are hereby repealed: *Provided*, That nothing in this act contained shall authorize the allowing of drawbacks on the exportation of any goods, wares, and merchandise, from any port or place of said territory, other than on those which shall have been imported directly into the same from a foreign port or place; and no drawback shall be allowed on any goods, wares, or merchandise, exported from any port of Florida, which shall have been imported before the tenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the first section of an act passed on the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, entitled "An act supplementary to the acts concerning the coasting trade," be so far altered and amended that the sea coasts and navigable rivers of the United States be, and the same are hereby, divided into three great districts, the first and second to be and remain as therein described, and the third to include all the ports, harbours, sea coasts, and navigable rivers, between the southern limits of Georgia and the river Perdido; and the said third great district, so established, shall be subject to all the regulations and provisions of said act.

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Each other collector 500 dollars per annum and three per cent. commissions, &c.

Each surveyor 300 dollars per annum.

Powers of the collectors and surveyors.

Ships, &c., arriving from the Cape of Good Hope, &c. to enter at Pensacola only.

All laws imposing duties, &c., or allowing drawback, other than such as are paid or allowed in other territories, &c. repealed.

Proviso.

No drawback on goods, &c., imported prior to July 10, 1821.

The 1st section of an act of March 2, 1819, ch. 48, altered so far as to divide the sea coast, &c., into three great districts.

STATUTE I.

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CHAP. LXXXVI.—*An Act to relieve the people of Florida from the operation of certain ordinances.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That an ordinance numbered three, made and passed on the eighteenth of July, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, by Major General Andrew Jackson, governor of the provinces of the Floridas, entitled "An ordinance providing for the naturalization of the inhabitants of the ceded territory;" and an ordinance passed by the city council of St. Augustine, on the seventeenth of October, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, imposing and laying certain taxes on the inhabitants, and all other laws, ordinances, or resolves, so far as they enforce or confirm the same, be, and the same are hereby, repealed and declared null and void.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person shall attempt to enforce any of said laws, ordinances, or resolves, by demanding and receiving any tax, imposition, or assessment, authorized or prescribed thereby, such person shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by fine,

An ordinance of July 18, 1821, providing for the naturalization of the inhabitants of the ceded territory, and an ordinance of Oct. 17, 1821, imposing certain taxes, &c. repealed, &c.

Any person attempting to enforce any of the ordinances repealed, &c. to