

Act of March
3, 1819, ch. 99.

of the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, entitled "An act for adjusting the claims to lands, and establishing land offices, in the district east of the Island of New Orleans," and which have not been reported to Congress, or whose claims have not heretofore been presented to the said commissioners, or to the register and receiver, acting as commissioners, or whose claims have been acted upon, but additional evidence adduced, be allowed until the first day of September, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, to present their titles and claims, and the evidence in support of the same to the register and receiver of the land office at St. Stephen's, in the state of Alabama, whose powers and duties, in relation to the same, shall, in all respects, be governed by the provisions of the acts before recited, and of the act of the eighth of May, eighteen hundred and twenty-two, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts for adjusting the claims to land, and establishing land offices, in the district east of the Island of New Orleans."

Act of May 8,
1822, ch. 128.

Power given
to the register
and receiver.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said register and receiver shall have power to receive and examine such titles and claims, and, for that purpose, shall hold their sessions at the city of Mobile; they shall give suitable notice of the time and place of their sessions, but may adjourn from time to time, and meet at such other places as may be necessary, or may best suit the convenience of the claimants, on giving proper notice of the time of their adjournments. And the said register and receiver shall have power to appoint a clerk, who shall be a person capable of translating the French and Spanish languages, and who shall perform the duty of translator, and such other duty as may be required by the said register and receiver, and the said register and receiver shall each be allowed, as a compensation for their services, in relation to said claims, and for the services to be performed under the provisions of the several acts to which this is a supplement, at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum; and the clerk at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum; which several sums of money shall be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided*, That no more than one year's compensation shall be thus allowed to either the register or receiver, or clerk; and the payment of the whole of the aforesaid compensation shall be withheld by the Secretary of the Treasury, until a report, to be approved by him, shall have been made to him, of the performance of the services for which the same is allowed.

Proviso.

Duty of the
register and
receiver of the
land office at
Augusta, in
Mississippi.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the register and receiver of the land office at Augusta, in the state of Mississippi, be, and they are hereby, required to separate, so far as practicable, from the titles to lands in Mississippi, all such papers or claims, or evidence of claims, for any tract of land or town lot, lying in the state of Alabama, and certify the same generally to the register of the land office at St. Stephen's, in the state of Alabama; and, on proper application, to deliver them over to the said register, whose duty it shall be to receive the same, and preserve them among the records of his office.

APPROVED, March 3, 1827.

STATUTE II.

March 3, 1827.

[Obsolete.]

Accounting
officers of the
Treasury De-
partment to li-
quidate the
claims of the
state of Penn-
sylvania against
the U. S.

CHAP. LXXIX.—*An Act authorizing the payment of interest to the state of Pennsylvania.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to liquidate and settle the claim of the state of Pennsylvania against the United States, for interest upon loans or moneys borrowed, and actually expended by her, for the use and benefit of the United States, during the late war with Great Britain.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That, in ascertaining the amount of interest, as aforesaid, due to the state of Pennsylvania, the following rules shall be understood as applicable to, and governing the case, to wit: First, that interest shall not be computed on any sum which Pennsylvania has not expended for the use and benefit of the United States, as evinced by the amount refunded or repaid to Pennsylvania by the United States. Second, that no interest shall be paid on any sum on which she has not paid interest. Third, that when the principal, or any part of it, has been paid or refunded by the United States, or money placed in the hands of Pennsylvania for that purpose, the interest on the sum or sums so paid or refunded, shall cease, and not be considered as chargeable to the United States any longer than up to the time of the re-payment, as aforesaid.

Rules, applicable to the case, when the amount of interest is ascertained.

First.
Second.
Third.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the amount of interest, when ascertained as aforesaid, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Amount of interest to be paid from the treasury.

APPROVED, March 3, 1827.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. LXXX.—*An Act authorizing the establishment of an arsenal in the town of Augusta, in Maine.*

March 3, 1827.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Department of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to purchase as soon as it can be effected, on reasonable terms, a site for an arsenal, in the town of Augusta, in the state of Maine; and to cause to be erected thereon such an arsenal as may be deemed proper, for the safe keeping of the arms and munitions of the United States, for the northern and eastern frontier; and that, for these purposes, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Secretary of War to purchase a site for an arsenal in Augusta, state of Maine.

APPROVED, March 3, 1827.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. XCI.—*An Act to authorize the governor and legislative council of Florida, to provide for holding additional terms of the superior courts therein.*

March 3, 1827.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the governor and legislative council of the territory of Florida are hereby authorized, until Congress shall otherwise direct, to provide by law, for holding the superior courts of said territory at such other places, within their respective districts, as may be necessary for the more convenient administration of justice therein.

[Obsolete.]
Additional terms of the superior courts to be held.

APPROVED, March 3, 1827.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. XCII.—*An Act for improving the navigation of the Ohio river.*(a)

March 3, 1827.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all snags, sawyers, stumps, logs, and obstructions of every description, which tend to endanger the steamboat navigation of the Ohio river, at any navigable stages of the water, and which present themselves, and are to be found on the banks and sides of the river, shall be removed so that the navigation of said river, may be rendered at all times safe: and the same shall

Snags, &c., to be removed.

(a) See notes of the acts for the improvement of the navigation of the Ohio river, act of May 24, 1824, ch. 139.