

STATUTE II.

Feb. 12, 1831.

CHAP. XXIV.—*An Act to authorize the transportation of merchandise by land or by water with the benefit of debenture.*

The benefit of drawback extended to merchandise which has passed into two districts besides the first.

Proviso.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, all goods, wares, or merchandise imported into the United States, the duties on which have been paid, or secured to be paid, may be transported by land, or partly by land, and partly by water, from the district into which they were imported to two other districts, and exported from either of them with the benefit of drawback: *Provided,* That all regulations and formalities now in force, relating to the transportation of goods, wares, or merchandise, by land or by water, from the district into which they were imported to another district, for the benefit of drawback, and such other regulations as are prescribed under and by virtue of the act to which this is an addition, for the further transportation of such goods, wares, or merchandise, to other districts, shall be complied with: *And provided also,* That all the regulations and formalities now in force, respecting the exportation of goods, wares, and merchandise, for the benefit of drawback, shall be complied with, so far as may be consistent with other provisions of the act to which this is in addition; and the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to prescribe the form of the certificate to be used, and the oaths to be taken, on the transportation of such goods, wares, or merchandise, from the second district into which they may be so brought, to the third district.

Proviso.

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CHAP. XXVI.—*An Act to provide hereafter for the payment of six thousand dollars annually to the Seneca Indians, and for other purposes.*

Secretary of War authorized to pay 6,000 dollars annually, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the proceeds of the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, being the amount placed in the hands of the President of the United States, in trust, for the Seneca tribe of Indians, situated in the state of New York, be hereafter passed to the credit of the Indian appropriation fund; and that the Secretary of War be authorized to receive and pay over to the Seneca tribe of Indians, the sum of six thousand dollars, annually, in the way and manner as heretofore practised, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of War be authorized to receive and pay over to the Seneca tribe of Indians, the sum of two thousand six hundred and fourteen dollars and forty cents, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, on account of the deficiency, by that amount, in the sum paid over to said Indians the last year.

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CHAP. XXVII.—*An Act to establish a land office in the territory of Michigan, and for other purposes.*

Land district established in Michigan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all the public lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, lying west of the meridian line, in the territory of Michigan, shall constitute a new land district; and, for the sale of the public lands within the said district there shall

be a land office established at such place within the district, as the President of the United States may designate, who is hereby authorized to change the location of such office, whenever, in his opinion, the public interest may require it.

President to locate the office.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the land office now established at Monroe, shall be removed to the place designated for the location of this office, and the register and receiver of the Monroe land office, shall superintend the sales of public lands within said district, who shall give security in the same manner, in the same sums, and whose compensation, emoluments, duties, and authorities, shall, in every respect, be the same, in relation to the lands which shall be disposed of at their office, as are or may be by law provided, in relation to the registers and receivers of public moneys in the several offices established for the sale of public lands.

Monroe land office removed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all the public lands lying east of the meridian line in the territory aforesaid, which are not now embraced in the district of Detroit, be, and they are hereby, attached thereto; and it shall be the duty of the register and receiver of the land office in said district to deposit in the land office at Detroit all the records, books, and papers, surveys, &c. which pertain to said land office at Monroe, which shall be kept by the register and receiver of the land office at Detroit, as a part of the records of said office.

Detroit district extended.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That all such public lands as shall have been offered for sale to the highest bidder at Monroe or Detroit, pursuant to any proclamation of the President of the United States, and which are embraced within the provisions of this act, and which lands remain unsold at the taking effect of this act, shall be subject to be entered and sold at private sale, by the registers of the land offices to which they are hereby attached; and all provisions of law applicable to the public lands, to which this act applies, shall continue in full force and effect.

Lands to be entered and sold at their appropriate offices.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That so much of the state of Illinois as lies between the Illinois and Mississippi rivers, bounded on the south by the base line, on the north by the northern boundary of that state, and on the extreme east by the third principal meridian, be formed into a separate land district, the offices for which to be located where it will best accommodate purchasers and others, by the President; and a register and receiver shall be appointed at such time as the President of the United States shall deem proper.

Land district established in Illinois.

Offices.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That another district be also formed in that state, on the north of the dividing line between townships sixteen and seventeen north of the base line, and east of the third principal meridian, including all that part of the state to its northern boundary, the offices for which to be located by the President, where the public interest and the convenience of purchasers may require; and a register and receiver shall be appointed at such time as the President of the United States shall deem proper.

Another district established.

Offices.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That the registers and receivers shall reside, respectively, at the places where the land offices are located, give security in the same manner, in the same sums, and whose compensation, emoluments, and duties, and authority, in every respect, be the same, in relation to the lands which shall be disposed of at their offices, as may be by law provided in relation to the registers and receivers of public moneys in the several offices established for the disposal of the lands of the United States north-west of the river Ohio.

Residence, security, &c. of registers and receivers.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted,* That the said lands shall be disposed of in the same manner, and on the same terms and conditions, as are or may be provided by law for the sale of other lands of the United States: *Provided,* That no tracts of land excepted from sales by virtue of any former acts, shall be sold by virtue of this act.

Sale of lands.

Fort Wayne district, in Indiana, extended.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That all the lands to which the Indian title is extinguished, lying in that part of the state of Indiana which is east of the Lake Michigan, bordering upon the northern line of said state, and not attached to any land district, shall be, and the same are hereby, attached to the Fort Wayne district.

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Jurisdiction of district courts in New York, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Louisiana and Alabama, extended.

CHAP. XXVIII.—*An Act respecting the jurisdiction of certain district courts.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the district courts of the United States for the northern district of New York, the western district of Pennsylvania, the district of Indiana, the district of Illinois, the district of Missouri, the district of Mississippi, the western district of Louisiana, the eastern district of Louisiana, the northern district of Alabama, and the southern district of Alabama, in addition to the ordinary jurisdiction and powers of a district court, shall, within the limits of their respective districts, have jurisdiction of all causes, except appeals and writs of error, which now are, or hereafter may by law be made, cognisable in a circuit court, and shall proceed therein in the same manner as a circuit court.

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Persons entitled to lands under, &c.

Act of March 3, 1817, ch. 61.

Who appear, &c. to have empty right.

Other persons to have same right.

Widows and children.

CHAP. XXX.—*An Act to alter and amend "An act to set apart and dispose of certain public lands for the encouragement of the cultivation of the vine and olive."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all persons entitled to lands, under a contract entered into, on the eighth of January, eighteen hundred and nineteen, by the Secretary of the Treasury on the part of the United States, and Charles Villar, agent of the Tombeebee association, in pursuance of "An act to set apart and dispose of certain public lands for the encouragement of the cultivation of the vine and olive," approved on the third of March, eighteen hundred and seventeen, their heirs, devisees or assigns, who appear by the report of William L. Adams, special agent of the treasury, appointed in compliance with a resolution of the senate, passed the twentieth of May, eighteen hundred and twenty-six, to have complied with the conditions of settlement and cultivation, as stipulated for in said contract, or who shall hereafter make it appear to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury, that they have so complied, shall, on paying into the treasury one dollar and twenty-five cents the acre previous to the third of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, receive a patent for the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all persons who became entitled to an allotment of land under said contract, their heirs, devisees or assigns, who have failed to comply with the conditions of settlement and cultivation within the period required thereby, who at the time of the passage of this act shall be in the actual occupancy and cultivation of the same, shall, on paying into the treasury one dollar and twenty-five [cents] the acre, previous to the third of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, receive a patent for the same.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the widow and children of any person who became entitled to an allotment of land under said contract, and died without performing the conditions required, shall, on paying into the treasury one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, previous to the third of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, receive a patent for the same.

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