

shall be allowed to proceed to final judgment, execution, satisfaction and settlement, as if the said two years had not expired.

APPROVED, March 2, 1838.

STATUTE II.

March 2, 1838.

Spring term of the Circuit Court to commence on 18th May, and the fall term on 18th November, in each year.

Terms of Dist. Court to commence on 12th May and 12th November, in each year.

Proviso.

All proceedings, &c., to be deemed returnable on the days hereinbefore prescribed, for holding said Courts.

STATUTE II.

March 10, 1838.

[Expired.]

Act of April 20, 1818, ch. 88. Collectors, &c. required to seize any vessel, &c. which may be provided for any military expedition against any foreign Prince, &c. conterminous and at peace with the U. S.

CHAP. XV.—*An Act to change the time of holding the terms of the Circuit Court of the United States for the eastern district of Virginia, and of the District Court of the United States for the eastern district of Virginia, directed by law to be held in the city of Richmond.* (a)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, hereafter, the spring term of the circuit court of the United States for the eastern district of Virginia shall commence on the eighteenth day of May, and the fall term on the eighteenth of November, in each year, instead of the twenty-second of May and the twenty-second of November, as is now provided by law.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the terms of the district court of the United States for the eastern district of Virginia, which are now directed by law to commence on the fifteenth day of May and the fifteenth [day] of November, in each year, shall hereafter commence on the twelfth day of May and the twelfth day of November, in each year: *Provided, nevertheless,* That, whenever the day on which the terms of either of the said circuit or district court, as herein provided for, shall happen to be Sunday, then the term of said court shall commence on the following day.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all proceedings and process depending in or issuing out of either of the said courts, which are or may be made returnable to any other time appointed for holding the same than that above specified, shall be deemed legally returnable on the days hereinbefore prescribed, and not otherwise. And all suits and other proceedings in either of the said courts which stand continued to any other time than that above specified, shall be deemed continued to the time prescribed by this act, and no other.

APPROVED, March 2, 1838.

CHAP. XXXI.—*An Act supplementary to an act entitled "An act in addition to the act for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States, and to repeal the acts therein mentioned," approved twentieth of April, eighteen hundred and eighteen.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the several collectors, naval officers, surveyors, inspectors of customs, the marshals, and deputy marshals of the United States, and every other officer who may be specially empowered for the purpose by the President of the United States, shall be, and they are hereby respectively authorized and required to seize and detain any vessel or any arms or munitions of war which may be provided or prepared for any military expedition or enterprise against the territory or dominions of any foreign Prince or State, or of any colony, district or people conterminous with the United States, and with whom they are at peace, contrary to the sixth section of the act passed on the twentieth of April, eighteen hundred and eighteen, entitled "An act in addition to the act for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States, and to repeal the acts therein mentioned," and retain possession of the same until the decision of the President be had thereon, or until the same shall be released as hereinafter directed.

(a) See notes of the acts relating to the District Court of Virginia, vol. 3, 479.