

Mayor, &c. authorized to receive journals, &c. of the board acting under act 21st April 1806, ch. 43.

Powers, &c. vested in said board, transferred to the mayor, &c.

Mayor, &c. authorized to institute legal proceedings.

All property, except the court house and jail, vested in the mayor, &c.

Mayor, &c. to take an oath or affirmation.

and aldermen, of the said city of Detroit be, and they are hereby, entitled to receive from any person or persons having possession of the same, the journals, records, papers, and books of the governor and judges of the late Territory of Michigan, acting as a land board, under the Act of April twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred and six, to which this is a supplement; and that all powers and rights vested by the said act in the said governor and judges, for the purposes therein mentioned, are hereby transferred and vested in the mayor, recorder, and aldermen, of the city of Detroit, in the State of Michigan. And the said mayor, recorder, and aldermen, are hereby authorized to institute proceedings at law or in equity, in any court of competent jurisdiction, in all cases where it may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this act.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That any land or other property, real or personal, remaining, except the court-house and jail erected under the act to which this is a supplement, after satisfying all just claims provided for in the first section of the act to which this is a supplement, is hereby vested in the said mayor, recorder, and aldermen, of the city of Detroit, to be disposed of by them at their discretion to the best advantage; and they are hereby authorized to make deeds to purchasers thereof, or other sufficient conveyances; and the proceeds of the land or other property effects or claims so disposed of, and of other rights and claims of the said governor and judges, shall, after the payment of all necessary expenses incurred in giving effect to said act and to this act and in the adoption of such measures as they may deem necessary for preserving in proper form the records and other evidences of the proceedings of said governor and judges, be applied by the said mayor, recorder and aldermen, to such object or objects of public improvement in said city, as the said mayor, recorder, and aldermen, may in council direct. And the said mayor, recorder and aldermen are hereby required to take an oath or affirmation for the faithful discharge of their duties under this act, and make a report to Congress, in writing, of their proceedings, on or before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

APPROVED, August 29, 1842.

STATUTE II.

Aug. 29, 1842.

CHAP. CCLXI.—*An Act to provide for the payment to the State of Louisiana of the balance due said State for expenditures incurred in raising, equipping and paying off a regiment of volunteer militia, mustered into the service of the United States, and employed in the Florida war in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of sixty-one thousand three hundred and seventy-eight dollars and fifteen cents, be, and the said sum is hereby, appropriated, to pay the balance due the State of Louisiana for expenditures incurred in raising, equipping and paying off a regiment of volunteer militia, employed in the service of the United States in the Seminole war.

APPROVED, August 29, 1842.

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CHAP. CCLXII.—*An Act to authorize the States of Indiana and Illinois to select certain quantities of land, in lieu of like quantities heretofore granted to the said States, for the construction of the Wabash and Erie and the Illinois and Michigan canals. (a)*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be vested

(a) Act of March 30, 1822, chap. 14; act of May 26, 1824, chap. 165; act of March 2, 1827, chap. 51-56; act of May 29, 1830, chap. 161; act of June 30, 1834, chap. 137; act of Feb. 27, 1841, chap. 12; act of March 3, 1845, chap. 42.

in the State of Indiana twenty-four thousand two hundred and nineteen acres, and fourteen-hundredths of an acre of land, to be selected under the authority of the Governor of said State, from any of the unsold public lands therein, not subject to the right of pre-emption, as an equivalent for certain lands covered by Indian reservations in the lands acquired by treaties with the Miami Indians, in the years eighteen hundred and thirty-seven and eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, respectively, and which, had said reservations not been permitted or allowed, would have belonged to said State in virtue of the act of the second of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, entitled "An act to grant a certain quantity of land to the State of Indiana, for the purpose of aiding said State in opening a canal to connect the waters of the Wabash river with those of Lake Erie."

Lands to be selected in lieu of others granted for the Wabash and Erie canal.

1827, ch. 56.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Governor of the State of Illinois is hereby authorized to cause to be selected, from any of the unsold public lands in that State, not subject to the right of pre-emption, the quantity of five thousand seven hundred and sixty acres, in lieu of sections numbered three and nine, in township thirty-two, north of range three east; sections thirteen and twenty-one, in township thirty-four, north of range six east; sections twenty-five and thirty-three, in township thirty-three, north of range eleven east; and sections thirteen, nineteen, and twenty-one, in township thirty-three, north of range eight, east of the third principal meridian, heretofore selected by the said State under "An act to grant a quantity of land to the State of Illinois, for the purpose of aiding in opening a canal to connect the waters of the Illinois river with those of Lake Michigan," but which had been sold and patented to individuals by the United States, before the location by the said State had been approved.

Lands to be selected in lieu of others granted for the Illinois and Michigan canal.

1827, ch. 51.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the selections of lands made under this act shall be reported by the Governors of the said States respectively, to the Secretary of the Treasury, and approved by the President of the United States.

Selections to be reported to Secretary of the Treasury, and approved by the President.

APPROVED, August 29, 1842.

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CHAP. CCLXIII. — *An Act in addition to an act to promote the progress of the useful arts, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts heretofore made for that purpose. (a)*

Act of July 4, 1836, ch. 357.

Act of March 3, 1837, ch. 45.

Act of March 3, 1839, ch. 88.

Treasurer authorized to pay back, out of the patent fund, certain money paid as fees.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Treasurer of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized to pay back, out of the patent fund, any sum or sums of money, to any person who shall have paid the same into the Treasury, or to any receiver or depository to the credit of the Treasurer, as for fees accruing at the Patent Office through mistake, and which are not provided to be paid by existing laws, certificate thereof being made to said Treasurer by the Commissioner of Patents.

Sec. 3, act of 3d March 1837, ch. 45, extended to patents granted prior to 15th Dec. 1836, though lost subsequently.

Proviso. Citizens, &c. may obtain a patent, how.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the third section of the act of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, which authorizes the renewing of patents lost prior to the fifteenth of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, is extended to patents granted prior to said fifteenth day of December, though they may have been lost subsequently: *Provided, however*, The same shall not have been recorded anew under the provisions of said act.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That any citizen or citizens, or alien or aliens, having resided one year in the United States and taken

(a) Notes of the acts passed relative to patents for useful inventions, vol. 1, 109, 318.

Notes of the decisions of the courts of the United States on the acts which have been passed relative to patents for useful inventions, vol. 1. 319, 320, 321.