

CHAP. CCLXIV. — *An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the National Academy of Sciences.* July 14, 1870.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act to incorporate the National Academy of Sciences, approved March three, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, be, and the same is hereby, so amended as to remove the limitation of the number of ordinary members of said academy as provided in said act. Limitation to number of ordinary members removed. 1863, ch. 111, § 2. Vol. xii. p. 806.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

CHAP. CCLXV. — *An Act to amend Section four of the Act of March thirty-one, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.* July 14, 1870.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall not be assessed or collected, under or by virtue of section four of an act approved March thirty-one, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "An act to exempt certain manufacturers from internal tax, and for other purposes," any internal tax upon pork-packers, lard-renderers, or those engaged in smoking hams, curing meats, or others known as in the provision trade, as manufacturers within the meaning of the said section; and if any such tax shall have been assessed, but not collected, the same is hereby remitted. Internal tax not to be assessed upon pork-packers, &c.; 1868, ch. 41, § 4. Vol. xv. p. 59.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

CHAP. CCLXVI. — *An Act to declare forfeited to the United States certain Lands granted to the State of Louisiana to aid in constructing a Railroad therein.* July 14, 1870.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the lands which were granted by Congress, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, to the State of Louisiana, to aid in the construction of the New Orleans, Opelousas, and Great Western Railroad, and which have not been lawfully disposed of by the said State under said grant, which has expired by limitation, or by act of Congress since the original grant, are hereby declared forfeited to the United States, and these lands shall hereafter be disposed of as other public lands of the United States. Certain lands granted to Louisiana in aid, &c. declared forfeited to the United States. 1856, ch. 42. Vol. xi. p. 18.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

CHAP. CCLXVII. — *An Act to discontinue the Clarksville, Arkansas, Land District and the Establishment of an additional Land District in that State.* July 14, 1870.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the district of lands now subject to disposal at Clarksville, Arkansas, be, and the same is hereby, discontinued from and after the first day of July, eighteen hundred and seventy, and that thereafter the said land district be divided as follows: Beginning at the corner common to townships twelve and thirteen north, ranges seventeen and eighteen west, and running thence west between said townships to the corner common to townships twelve and thirteen north, ranges twenty-six and twenty-seven west; thence south with said range line to the corner common of townships nine and ten north; thence west on the line between said townships to the western boundary of the State, the lands lying north of said division line, and within the limits of the said Clarksville district, to be subject to disposal at Harrison, Arkansas, and those lands lying south of said division line within said district to be subject to disposal at Dardanelle, Arkansas, to be known and designated as the Harrison and Dardanelle land district. Clarksville land district, Arkansas, discontinued.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and con- Register and receiver.

Residence, duties, and fees.

sent of the Senate of the United States, or during the recess thereof, and until the end of the next ensuing session, a register and receiver for each of said land districts, who shall be required to reside at the site of their respective offices, who shall be subject to the same laws and responsibilities, and whose compensation and fees shall be respectively the same per annum as are now allowed by law to other land offices in said State.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

July 14, 1870. CHAP. CCLXVIII. — *An Act to establish a Port of Delivery at Kansas City, Missouri.*

Kansas City, Mo., made a port of delivery in the collection district of New Orleans. 1831, ch. 87. Vol. iv. p. 480.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the city of Kansas, in the State of Missouri, shall be, and is hereby, constituted a port of delivery, annexed to and made a part of the collection district of New Orleans, and shall be subject to the same regulations and restrictions as other ports of delivery in the United States; and all the privileges and facilities afforded by the act of Congress of the second March, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, entitled "An act allowing the duties on foreign merchandise imported into Pittsburg, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville, Saint Louis, Nashville, and Natchez to be secured and paid at those places," shall be extended to said port. A surveyor of customs shall be appointed to reside at said port and perform the duties prescribed by law, who shall receive the same compensation now provided or which may hereafter be provided by law for surveyors of the same grade.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

Surveyor, residence, duties, and pay.

July 14, 1870. CHAP. CCLXIX. — *An Act to create a Port of Delivery at Houston, Texas.*

Houston, Texas, made a port of delivery in collection district of Galveston. Surveyor, residence, duties, pay. 1831, ch. 87. Vol. iv. p. 480.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Houston, in the State of Texas, shall be, and is hereby, constituted a port of delivery within the collection district of Galveston, and there shall be appointed a surveyor of customs, to reside at said port, who shall perform the duties and receive the compensation and emoluments prescribed in the act of Congress approved March two, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, being "An act allowing the duties on foreign merchandise imported into Pittsburg, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville, Saint Louis, Nashville, and Natchez, to be secured and paid at those places."

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

July 14, 1870. CHAP. CCLXX. — *An Act to annul a Portion of a certain Statute of the Territory of New Mexico, and for other Purposes.*

A certain portion of a statute of the Territory of New Mexico declared void.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following recited portion of a statute of the Territory of New Mexico, approved February second, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, viz.: "And no writ of execution shall on any account be executed on the real estate of any person, if there be no mortgage made by the husband and wife owning the said property, and the mortgage must have been executed with all the formalities required by law," be, and the same is hereby, disapproved and declared null and void: *Provided,* That there shall be exempt from levy and forced sale under any process or order from any court of law or equity in said Territory the lot or parcel of ground and the buildings thereon occupied as a residence and owned by the debtor, being a householder and having a family, to the value of one thousand dollars. And if, in the opinion of the creditors, the premises claimed by such debtor as exempt are worth more than one thousand dollars, then it shall be lawful for the officer to advertise and sell the said premises and out of the proceeds of

Homestead to the value of \$1,000 exempt from levy, &c.

If premises are worth more than \$1,000.