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UNITED STATES' LAWS.

An Act supplementary to the act to incorporate the inhabitants of the City of Washington, passed the fifteenth of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, and for other purposes.

BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That so much of the act, entitled "An act to incorporate the inhabitants of the city of Washington, and to repeal all acts heretofore passed for that purpose," passed May fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, as is inconsistent with provisions of this act, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That public notice of the time and place of the sale of all real property, for taxes due Corporation of the City of Washington, shall be given in all cases hereafter, by advertisement, inserted in some newspaper published in the said City, once in each week, for at least twelve successive weeks, in which advertisement shall be stated the number of the square or squares, the number of the lot or lots, (if the square has been divided into lots,) the name or names of the person or persons to whom the same may be assessed on the books of the Corporation at the time of such advertisement, the amount of the tax due on each square or lot, the period for which the same shall be due, and the aggregate amount of taxes due on all real property assessed in the name of the same person or persons; but, where a whole square is assessed to the same person or persons, although divided into lots, it may be assessed and advertised, as if the same was divided. And no sale of real property, for taxes, hereafter made, shall be impaired, or void, by reason of such property not being assessed, or advertised, in the name or names of the lawful owner or owners thereof, provided the same shall be advertised as above directed, or by reason of the amount of taxes due thereon not being correctly stated.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That, in all cases of sales of real property, for taxes due the said Corporation, where such sale shall not have been made according to law, and void, it shall be lawful for the said purchaser, or other person entitled under him, to refund and pay to such persons or persons, the amount paid by him or them, on account of such purchase; and, also, the subsequent taxes accrued and paid on the said property, and to re-assess the amount of taxes so refunded, on the property on which shall have accrued, which shall be collected in the manner as provided by law for the collection of other taxes, at any time after the first day of January next, after the same time be so re-assessed.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Corporation, where there shall be a number of lots assessed to the same person or persons, to sell one, or more, of such lots for the taxes and expenses due on the whole; and, also, to provide for the sale of any part of a lot, for the taxes and expenses due on the said lot, or other lots assessed to the same person, as may appear expedient, according to such rules and regulations as the said Corporation may prescribe.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That in case of the death, resignation, or inability to serve, of any Commissioner of Election, it shall be lawful for the Mayor, or in case of his absence, or inability to perform that duty, for the Register of the City, to make an appointment, in writing, to fill any such vacancy, which appointment shall be returned to the Register, with the return of such election.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That the proprietor or proprietors of lots which may be sold under the provisions of this act, shall be allowed the right of redemption, in the same manner, and according to the like restrictions, contained in the act to which this is a supplement.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That public notice of the time and place of sale, of any real property chargeable with taxes, Georgetown or Alexandria, in all cases hereafter, shall be given, once in each week, for twelve successive weeks, in some one newspaper printed in each of said places, and in the National Intelligencer, in which shall be stated the number of the lot or lots, or parts thereof, intended to be sold, and the value of the assessment, and the amount of the taxes due and owing thereon.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That if, before the day of sale, advertised as aforesaid, the owner, his agent, or attorney, shall not pay the amount of taxes, with all costs thereon assessed, said lots, or so many as may be sufficient to discharge the same, shall be sold, for cash, and to the highest bidder paying therefor; a certificate being forth that he is the purchaser, and the amount paid by him; and if, at the expiration of twelve months from the day of sale, the owner shall not appear, any pay to the officer who sold the same, the Mayor, or the purchaser, the amount of the purchase money, and costs and taxes accruing subsequent to the sale, and ten per centum interest per annum on the purchase money, it shall and may be lawful for a title, in fee simple, at the expiration of said time, to be made to the purchaser: *Provided,* That no sale of real estate shall be made but where the owner or tenant of the property has not sufficient personal estate out of which to enforce a collection of the debt due, and where he has personal property, it shall be lawful to collect said taxes by distress and sale thereof.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That, on or before the first day of April next, and every five years thereafter, each of the corporations of Washington, Georgetown, and Alexandria, shall cause three respectable freeholders, resident in said city and towns, respectively, being previously sworn to assess and value, and make return of all and every species of property by law taxable, in said Corporations; and, in making their said valuations, they shall determine it agreeably to what they believe it to be worth, in cash, at the time of the valuation.

Sec. 10. And be it further enacted, That, where any taxes have fallen due, and yet remain unpaid, or where any real estate has been sold by the Corporation of Georgetown or of Alexandria, which sale, from any defect of proceeding in relation thereto, has been declared, or is considered void, said Corporation may proceed, and are hereby authorized, to collect said taxes by sale of the real estate, liable, agreeably to the provisions of this act, in relation to other cases of collecting taxes hereafter to fall due: *Provided,* That, where any person, on outstanding taxes, has made a bona fide purchase from the legal owner of any real estate, previous to the fifteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, said real estate, so acquired, shall not be liable for the taxes due and owing previous to said purchase.

Sec. 11. And be it further enacted, That all titles to property conveyed, as aforesaid, on sales for taxes, made in either of said places, shall be by deed from the mayor, under the seal of the corporation; which said conveyance shall be effectual, in law, to convey the title, the requisition of this act having been complied with.

Sec. 12. And be it further enacted, That, on any lot, or lots, or part of a lot, liable for taxes, as aforesaid, being sold, the amount, over and above the tax, cost and charges, due upon the same, shall be paid over, on application, to the owner of said property.

Sec. 13. And be it further enacted, That, where the payment of any taxes shall be made or enforced against any tenant, it shall not be lawful for the owner of said property, so made liable for the taxes, to recover of the tenant any rent for the property; but the same shall remain in his possession a

lien for the debt, until such time as the rent accruing shall have discharged the same; and the said tenant shall be entitled to charge twenty-five per centum against the landlord, on the amount of the taxes so paid or enforced against him, except where he may have been previously in arrears for his rent.

Sec. 14. And be it further enacted, That, in all cases of any nuisance affecting, in the opinion of the Board of Health, the healthiness of the city of Washington, or inhabitants contiguous thereto, which may exist on any lot belonging to the United States, it shall be lawful to have the same removed, in the same manner, and under the same rules and regulations, that nuisances on private property are removed; and the expense of such removal or correction shall be defrayed out of any moneys in the hands of the city commissioner, for the sale of public property in said city.

H. CLAY,
 Speaker of the House of Representatives.
 JOHN GAILLARD,
 President of the Senate, pro tempore.
 Washington, May 26, 1824.
 Approved: JAMES MONROE.

An Act supplementary to an act of Congress, passed on the thirteenth day of Decr. one thousand eight hundred and twelve, entitled "An act making further provisions for settling the claims to land in the territory of Missouri."

BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the individual owners, or claimants, of town or village lots, and common field lots, in adjoining, or belonging to, the several towns, or villages, of *Ponca des Sioux, St. Charles, St. Louis, St. Ferdinand, Villa a Robert, Carondelet, St. Genevieve, New Madrid, New Bourbon, and Little Prairie, in Missouri, and the village of Arkansas, in the territory of Arkansas, whose lots were confirmed by the act of Congress of the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, entitled "An act making further provision for settling the claims to land in the territory of Missouri," on the ground of inhabitation, cultivation, or possession, prior to the twentieth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and three, to proceed, within eighteen months after the passage of this act, to designate their said lots, by proving, before the Recorder of land titles for said state and territory, the fact of such inhabitation, cultivation, or possession, and the boundaries and extent of each claim, so as to enable the Surveyor General to distinguish the private from the vacant lots, appertaining to the said towns and villages.*

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, immediately after the expiration of the said term allowed for proving such facts, it shall be the duty of the Surveyor General, within whose district such lots lie, to proceed, under the instructions of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to survey, designate, and set apart to the said towns and villages, respectively, so many of the said vacant town or village lots, out lots, and common field lots, for the support of schools in the said towns and villages, respectively, as the President of the United States shall not, before that time, have reserved for the military purposes, and not exceeding one-twentieth part of the whole lands included in the general survey of such town, or village, according to the provisions of the second section of the abovementioned act of Congress; of, [and] also, to survey and designate, so soon after the passage of this act as may be, the commons belonging to said towns and villages, according to their respective claims and confirmations, under the said act of Congress, where the same has not been already done: *Provided,* That lots relinquished to the United States on account of damages done them by the earthquakes, and in lieu of which lands have been located elsewhere, shall neither [be] so designated or set apart, nor taken into the estimate of the quantity to which any town or village is entitled.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the Register shall issue a certificate of confirmation for such claim confirmed, and shall receive for the services required of him by this act the sum of one dollar for each lot so proved to

have been inhabited, cultivated, and possessed, to be paid by the respective claimants; and, so soon as the said term shall have expired, he shall furnish the Surveyor General with a list of the lots so proved to have been inhabited, cultivated, or possessed, to serve as his guide in distinguishing them from the vacant lots to be set apart as above described; and shall transmit a copy of such list to the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this act, and of the aforesaid act of the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, be, and the same are hereby, extended to the village of Mine a Burton, and the right of filing their claims with the Recorder.

Approved: Washington, May 26, 1824.

An Act to regulate the mode of practice in the Courts of the United States, for the District of Louisiana.

BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That the mode of proceeding in civil causes in the Courts of the United States, that now are, or hereafter may be, established in the state of Louisiana, shall be conformable to the laws directing the mode of practice in the District Courts of the said state: *Provided,* That the Judge of any such Court of the United States may alter the times limited or allowed for different proceedings in the State Courts, and make, by rule, such other provisions as may be necessary to adapt the said laws of procedure to the organization of such Court of the United States, and to avoid any discrepancy, if any such should exist, between such state laws and the laws of the United States.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That petit jurors, for the trial causes, as well civil as criminal, shall be designated, summoned, and returned in the manner that now is directed by the laws of said state, with respect to jurors, to serve in the district Courts of the said state of Louisiana, and that all the duties directed by such state laws to be performed by the Sheriffs and Clerks, in relation to the designation, summoned by the Marshal of the United States and the Clerk of the Court of the United States, in the District where such Court of the United States shall sit, and that the petit jurors to serve in such Court of the U. States shall be taken from the parish in which said Court holds its sessions, but, that the grand jurors may come from any part of the District, and may be the Marshal, in the manner now prescribed, and the Marshal, for the purpose of designating such petit jurors, shall take the names of all persons liable to serve as jurors, from the list made by the Sheriff, for the purpose of drawing jurors for the District Court the state; and such number of jurors shall be drawn for each term of such Court of the United States, or for such portion of each term, as the Court may, by its rules, direct: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained, shall be so construed as to prevent the Judge of any of the said Courts of the United States from directing a jury to be summoned from any other parish within the District, whenever it may be necessary to secure an impartial trial; but that, in all such cases, the names of the jury shall be also designated, by lot, in the manner directed by the laws of the state, for designating jurors to serve in the District Courts: *And provided, also,* That special juries may be directed for the trial of any particular civil cause, by the consent of parties, but not otherwise.

Approved: Washington, May 26, 1824.

An Act to establish an additional Land Office in the State of Missouri.

BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That so much of the public lands of the United States included in the present District of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, as lies within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning on the Mississippi river, between townships numbered forty-eight and forty-nine, and thence west to the range line between ranges ten and eleven; thence north to the township line be-

tween townships numbered fifty-two and fifty-three; thence west to the range line between ranges thirteen and fourteen; thence north to the northern boundary line of the State of Missouri; thence east with the State line to the river Des Moines; thence west, the river Des Moines and the State line, to the Mississippi river; thence, with and down the Mississippi river to the place of beginning, so as to include all the islands within the limits of the State of Missouri, shall be formed into one district, to be called "The District of Salt River," and, for the sale of the public lands within the District hereby constituted, there shall be a land office established at such place, within the said District, as the President of the United States may designate.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be a Register and Receiver appointed to said office to superintend the sales of public lands in the said District, and who shall reside at the place where said office is established, give security in the same manner and sum, and whose compensation, shall, in every respect, be the same, in relation to the lands to be disposed of, at their offices, 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 the public lands.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That all such public lands, embraced within the District created by this act, which shall have been offered for sale to the highest bidder, at St. Louis, pursuant to any proclamation of the President of the United States, 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 proper officer or officers of the land office hereby created, in the same manner, and subject to the same terms, and upon the like conditions, as the sales of said lands would have been subject to, in the land office at St. Louis, had they remained attached to that office.

Approved: Washington, May 25, 1824.

An Act granting to the Counties or Parishes of each State and Territory of the United States, in which the public Lands are situated, the right of pre-emption to quarter sections of land, for seats of justice in the same.

BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That there be granted to the several counties or parishes of each State and Territory of the United States, where there are public lands, at the minimum price for which public lands of the United States are sold, the right of pre-emption to one quarter section of land, in each of the counties or parishes, of said states and territories, in trust for said counties or parishes, respectively, for the establishment of seats of justice therein: *Provided,* The proceeds of the sale of each of said quarter sections shall be appropriated for the purpose of erecting public buildings in the county or parish for which it is located, after deducting therefrom the amount originally paid for the same: *And providing further,* That the seat of justice for said counties or parishes, respectively, shall be fixed previously to a sale of the adjoining lands within the county or parish for which the same is located.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That so much of such acts, heretofore passed, granting to States rights of pre-emption for county or parish purposes, as require said seats of justice to be continued at or near the centre of each of said counties or parishes, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Approved: Washington, May 26, 1824.

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