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Legislature of North Carolina.

LIST OF ACTS,

Of the Legislature of North Carolina, passed at its session, 1817.

Public Acts.

An act to increase the salary of the Governor. [Raises the salary from \$1600 to \$2000.]
An act concerning strays. [In case he stray, after being appraised, dies, the taker up shall not be answerable.]
An act to alter the time of holding the county court of Iredell. [The court hereafter to be held on the 31 Monday of February, May, August and November.]
An act to amend the several Inspection laws of this state. [Repeals that part of the law that authorises inspectors to burn refused tobacco, and requires persons who may use tobacco notes, to give bond in double the amount of said note, before they be permitted to draw a duplicate note.]
Further pointing out the duty of overseers of Roads.
Supplemental to an act entitled, "an act declaring the duties of clerks and for other purposes," passed in 1816. [The above recited act makes no allowance to sheriffs for serving notices on guardians—the sheriff, by this act is allowed 30 cents for serving each notice.]
Prescribing the duty of the Major and Brigadier generals of the Militia of this state in certain cases. [Requires them under penalty of forty dollars, to give fifty days notice of their Reviews to the Field officers.]
Appointing commissioners to run the dividing line between the counties of Franklin and New Hanover.
An act directing what number of Jurors may hereafter be drawn to serve in the county and superior courts. [This act directs 36 jurors to be drawn instead of 30 the present number.]
An act to alter the mode of punishing the crime of Horse-stealing. [To be whipped for the first offence and hang for the second.]
An act for the revision of the acts of the General Assembly.
An act to authorise the superior courts of law to sell the estates of idiots and lunatics.
An act supplementary to an act passed in 1809, entitled, an act to prevent speculations in obtaining land which may hereafter accrue to the state by purchase from Indians. [Forbidden the Entry taker of Haywood county, under penalty of \$1000. from receiving any entries for lands lying west of the line run by Meigs and Freeman.]
Resolutions relative to col. Forsythe. [Provide for educating his son, and for presenting him with a sword.]
An act concerning promissory notes and other negotiable instruments and for other purposes. [Suits may in future be brought against the parties either jointly or separately, at the option of the holders.]
An act to amend the health laws of this State. [Provides more effectually for the observance of quarantine, by vessels arriving from infected ports.]
An act directing a road to be laid out & opened from the town of Fayetteville to Morganton. [Appoints commissioners, and authorises the treasurer to pay, &c.]
An act to amend the road-laws. [Provides for appeals in all cases from the overseer's decisions.]
To cede to the United States certain land upon the conditions therein contained.
Directing the mode of cancelling vouchers in the Comptroller's office. [Authorizes the Comptroller to procure an instrument for cancelling vouchers.]
Increasing the power of the commissioners of incorporated towns in regard to Dogs within the same—authorizes the commissioners of towns to tax dogs, &c.]
To amend an act passed at the last general assembly allowing additional fees to Rangers within this state [Requires Rangers to publish all strays, under penalty of 4 dollars each stray.]
To provide a Revenue for the payment of the Civil list and Contingent charges of Government for the year 1818. [The taxes the same as last year, except the land tax is reduced to six cents on the \$100 worth, and the poll tax to 20 cents—the pedlars tax to 9 dollars per county, and Billiard tables 500 dollars each.]
An act to revise and amend the law respecting wrecks and wreck property in this state. [Divides the counties or the sea boards into districts—the Governor to appoint commissioners.]
An act to authorise the county courts of the several counties to increase the fees of the jurors thereof. [Increase not to exceed 50 per cent.]

Private Acts.

An act to erect a poor house in the county of Lincoln and for other purposes.
An act to incorporate the Female benevolent Society of Wilmington, N. C.
An act to empower the county court of Gates to lay a tax on the inhabitants of said county, for the purpose of building a House for the reception and employment of the Poor thereof, and for other purposes.
An act to authorize the Wardens of the Poor for the county of Greene to lay a tax for the support of the Poor for said county.
An act to incorporate Center Library Society.
An act to repeal an act passed at the last session, entitled an Act authorizing James Moore, of the county of Martin, to erect Gates on the road leading from Moore's Ferry to Moore's Ford in said county.
An act to repeal an act to extend the liberties of the town of Halifax so far as relates to Richard H. Long.
An act to establish the Fairfield school, on Losing swamp in the county of Lenoir and to incorporate the Trustees thereof. To prevent persons from obstructing the passage of fish up Newbegon creek in the county of Pasquotank.
To establish Blakely Academy in the county of Chatham and to appoint and incorporate the Trustees thereof.
To invest the property of a road or crossway through the dismal swamp from Camden to Currituck in Wilson Leery for the term of fifty years.
To authorise the commissioners of the town of Edenton, to dispose of certain lots in the said town.
For the relief of Alex. Frobock, sheriff of Rowan county.
To establish a school by the name of New-Prospect in Perquimous county.
To amend an act passed in 1809, entitled an act for the better regulation of the town of Louisburg in Franklin county.
To authorise the County court of Camden to alter the places of holding separate elections in said county.
To amend an act passed in 1816, entitled an act to settle certain disputes respecting the court house in Nash county. [This act provides that the court house in Nash shall remain where it now stands.]
To repeal an act passed in 1812, entitled an act to form the regiment of Infantry in Ashe county, into a regiment of Riflemen.
To incorporate the town of Hookerton in Greene county.
To amend an act passed in 1812, entitled an act to appoint commissioners for the town of Smithfield in Johnson county.
To authorise the building of two bridges across Trent river near the town of Newbern.
An act to increase the fees of the Registers of the counties of New Hanover, Cumberland, Brunswick, Carteret and Craven.
An act to confirm and make valid certain Deeds; Powers of attorney and other instruments of writing in the courts of New-Hanover.
An act to incorporate a company for improving Pamlico sound by the use of canals.
To amend an act passed at the last session of the legislature, concerning building a new jail in Wilkes county.
For the better protection of the inhabitants of the town of Smithville and its vicinity, in Brunswick county.
To incorporate the town of Stauntonburg, in Edgecombe county.
To amend an act entitled, an act to prevent the hauling of seines over 35 meshes deep below Sneed's ferry on New River in Onslow county.
To amend an act passed in 1804 entitled an act to establish an academy in Greene county.
To establish a town on the lands of George Denney in the county of Wilkes.
To remove and establish separate elections in the counties of Iredell, Buncombe, Stokes and Caswell.
An act to appoint commissioners for the town of Morganton in the county of Burke.
To establish and lay off a town on the lands of Andrew Polk in the county of Anson.
Authorizing compensation to Talis Jurors in the county of New-Hanover.
To alter the time of holding the courts of Pleas and quarter sessions of the county of Onslow.
To amend an act relative to the Overseers of the Poor in Northampton county.
To establish two other separate elections and remove one of those already established in Wake county.
An act to authorise certain persons therein named to collect the arrears of taxes due them.
An act to incorporate the Mount Ararat Royal Arch Chapter of the town of Murfreesborough.
An act to alter the times of holding the Superior Courts of law of Carteret, Jones and Craven.
An act to alter the times of holding the election for sheriff, for the county of Brunswick.
An act relative to the overseers of the poor in Northampton county.
To alter the time of holding elections in Person county.
To amend and continue an act passed in 1809, to annex Smith's Island at the mouth of Cape Fear river to Brunswick county, and part of Eagles Island to the county of New-Hanover.
An act to incorporate the Newbern Steam Boat company. [Appoints James Mc Kinlay, Francis Hawkes, John Devereaux, Asa Jones, and John R. Donnell, commissioners to open

books of subscription in Newbern; The stock of the company to consist of 400 shares of \$450 each, one half to be paid at the time of subscribing. The corporation to continue 12 years, but no exclusive privilege granted.]
To amend an act for establishing a town on the lands of Benj^r Wynns on Chowan river.
An act adding other commissioners to those already appointed by law for the town of Hertford in the county of Perquimous.
To authorize the persons therein named to erect gates across certain public roads.
An act to revise & amend the Laws heretofore passed for the town of Smithville so far as respects the appointment of commissioners thereof, and to repeal the 5th 6th 7th and 8th sections of an act entitled an act respecting the Academy and town of Smithville, in Brunswick county.
For the better regulation of Sailor boarding houses in the town of Wilmington, and for other purposes.
To amend and continue in force an act passed at the last session of the General Assembly, entitled an act concerning the navigation of the Yadkin river.
Further to prevent obstructions to the passage of fish up Roanoke, Cashie and Middle rivers.
An act confirming an act of the legislature of Virginia, respecting the navigation of Roanoke and its waters.
To authorize the county courts of Wilkes and Brunswick to appoint a committee of Finance.
To appoint additional commissioners for the town of Lumberjon

REPORT.

The Committee, on so much of the message of his excellency the governor, as relates to the right of this state to perfect titles to lands lying in Tennessee, and of the controversy of the two states relative to the same:
Report. That they have given to the subject referred to them the consideration its importance merits. The wrong and injury inflicted upon this state, and the meritorious claimants of land under her, by the United States, and the state of Tennessee under the alleged sanction of the United States, are so minutely and correctly detailed, and the right of the state to demand redress from the United States, is so forcibly exposed in the memorial of the 10th of December last, from this state to Congress, that your committee deem it unnecessary to add any thing thereto.
Viewing the acts of the legislature of the state of Tennessee, interposing difficulties to the perfecting titles to land under North-Carolina, as a direct departure from the terms of cession, unsupported by any assent of North-Carolina, and therefore as usurpations: viewing the grant of a vast tract of land from Congress to Tennessee by the act of 1803, as an unequivocal breach of the trust under which North-Carolina conveyed the lands to the U. States, by which the lands granted (after satisfying the claims under North-Carolina) are reserved as a common fund for the United States; as an unwarranted donation to one state of the property expressly reserved for the whole.—It becomes North-Carolina, not to acquiesce in acts so flagrantly ungenerous and unjust. Not to demand redress, would be to abandon the most meritorious of her citizens—the soldiers who achieved her independence.—Not to expect it, would be, for the first time, to doubt the honor and justice of the U. States.
Your committee recommend that his Excellency, the Governor, transmit a copy of the memorial of December last to the congress of the United States now in session; with an expression of the confidence of this state, that that honorable body will not only give to the subject the respectful attention which the memorial of a member of the Union is entitled to receive; but will also investigate the charges with a solicitude proportionate to the desire which the representatives of a great people must ever feel to cherish unsullied its reputation for honor and good faith.
That his Excellency, the Governor, also transmit copies of the memorial and of these resolutions to the Senators and Representatives of this state in the Congress of the United States, and request their united efforts to sustain the just demands of this state.
Submitted,
JAMES M'KAY, *Chair.*

Latest Foreign Intelligence.

SPANISH AMERICA.

From the *Mexico Gazette Extraordinary.*

TRANSLATION.

CAPTURE OF THE TRAITOR MINA, BY COL. ORRANTIA.
H. E. the Viceroy has just received by an extraordinary courier the following communication:
Most Excellent Sir.—Long live the king. The count of Silas, under date of the 27th, at 7 o'clock in the evening, writes me as follows:
Este med Sir.—At last we have obtained the fruit of our labors—Mina has been taken alive and is now entering this place. They also bring the head of Moreno; they have taken the two other Herreras, a Frenchman, and other officers of their infantry. We killed several when we attacked them, which was by surprise. All this has been achieved by Senor Orrantia,

who left here at 10 o'clock at night with cavalry for el Baradito, near la Hachiqueza; which news, so interesting, I communicate for the satisfaction of your excellency, and of all the good and loving subjects of our sovereign, and I shall consider it very complete if it gets to hand as expeditiously as I wish.

God preserve your excellency many years.
JUAN DE PERGUERA.

To H. E. the Viceroy Don Juan Ruiz de Apodaca.

Trapaté Oct. 28. 1817, 2 A. M.

His excellency, not wishing to delay one moment the communication of such agreeable intelligence to the faithful vassals of the king our Lord, has commanded the immediate insertion of this extraordinary Gazette, expecting every day to receive the particulars of this important event.

Extraordinary Gazette of the government of Mexico, Friday, 31st Oct. 1817.

Extract of a letter from a respectable person, dated Guayana 26th August.

Both Guyanas are at last occupied by the arms of the Republic; the capital or the city of Augustura was evacuated on the 18th July and on 31st August Old Guayana. Masters of the whole province, the Independents command the river by very respectable forces.

In the province of Carraeus, the Independents are progressing, being already as far as the town of Orinoco.

It was believed in the best informed circles at Vera Cruz, that Mina, so far from having been destroyed, was making a rapid and irresistible progress into the most wealthy and populous part of the vice-royalty.

A convoy of \$5,000,000 from Mexico had been due at Vera Cruz several days when our informant sailed from the latter place: apprehensions were entertained that it had fallen into the hands of the insurgents.

Coblentz, Sept. 28.—For two months emigration from Germany to the United States have been much diminished—which has been caused no doubt, by the intelligence generally circulated of the melancholy fate most of the emigrants have experienced, as well on their passage as after their arrival.

Copenhagen, September 27.—The king has prohibited the importation and exportation of arms and munitions of war, to our West India Colonies. This will be a blow to the business of St. Thomas's.

Madame Regnant St. Joan d'Arcely has accepted from the king of Prussia permission for her husband to reside at Aix-la-Chapelle. His majesty has granted it for three months. It is believed that he will permanently reside there, and that he will not be obliged to go to Koningsberg in Prussia.

Paris, Oct. 14. Preparations are making in the church of St Denis for the service annually performed on the 14th October, at ten o'clock in the morning for the repose of the soul of Her Majesty the late queen Marie Antoinette. The princes and princesses of the royal family will assist at the ceremonies.

The Russian General Vermoloff has gone on a mission to the capital of Persia. This envoy has carried reports, letters, and plans, sent to Bonaparte at the time of his invading Russia, and which were found in two of his abandoned carriages after his retreat. These pieces had convinced Napoleon that an expedition to India was possible; and it is a fact, that if he could have forced Russia to make a peace according to his desires, he had resolved to send a Russian and French force on that expedition.

NEW YORK, DECEMBER 16.

The Amity sailed from Liverpool on the 25th of October, and to an old friend, Captain Stanton, the editors of the Gazette are indebted for papers, &c. up to the hour of his departure. A summary of their contents follows.

The ridiculous reports of a war between Spain and Portugal, were evidently put in circulation by stock jobbers.

The English and French papers contain a confirmation of the murder of the Dey of Algiers.

The trials for High Treason at Derby had been terminated. Sentence of death was passed upon Brandreth, Turner, and Ludlam; some of the prisoners were discharged, and others were to be transported.

At Liverpool, James Smith, James Hickson, and David Davies, were convicted of having stolen 20 barrels of American flour, and condemned to seven years transportation.

Lord Wellington arrived in London on the 25th October. He left Paris the 21st. The object of his visit is to see Lord River's estate previous to its being purchased for him.

The Continental papers contain much speculation respecting the Congress to be held next year by the German Princes and the Allied Sovereigns.

The King of England entered the 58th year of his reign on the 25th of October; and the Morning Chronicle of that date observes, "from his unsullied health and vigor, there is every reason to hope of his life being preserved for many years to come."

The Russian Ambassador arrived at Dover in the King George packet, on the 23d October, and was honored with a royal salute.

Dr. Franklin's Letters have just been published in London; and the Courier states, that the Monthly Reviewers do justice to the character of the writer.

There was no idea of the reduction of the army of occupation in France this year. If any