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AN ACT for the relief of Elizabeth
Braden.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House
of Representatives of the United States
of America, in Congress assembled, That
the Secretary of the Department of
War be, and he is hereby, directed
to issue, in the name of Elizabeth
Braden, a land warrant for the boun-
ty land to which her son George
Braden, a soldier who died of wounds
received in the late war, would have
been entitled had he lived.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate pro tempore,
April 24, 1820. Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT to authorize the Secretary of
State to cause the Laws of the Michi-
gan Territory, to be printed, and dis-
tributed, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House
of Representatives of the United States
of America, in Congress assembled, That
the Laws of the Michigan Territory
in force, shall be printed under the
direction of the Secretary of State,
and that a competent number of co-
pies thereof shall be distributed a-
mong the people of said Territory,
as the Governor and Judges thereof
shall direct: *Provided*, That the
expense of such printing shall not
exceed twelve hundred and fifty dol-
lars.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*,
That fifteen sets of the Laws of the
United States, which were compil-
ed by order of Congress, and pub-
lished by Bioren and Duane, in one
thousand eight hundred and fifteen,
shall be transmitted, by the Secre-
tary of State, to said Territory, to be
distributed therein, as the local go-
vernment thereof may direct.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate pro tempore,
April 24, 1820. Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT making further provision for
the sale of the Public Lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House
of Representatives of the United States
of America, in Congress assembled, That
from and after the first day of July
next, all the public lands of the Uni-
ted States, the sale of which is, or
may be, authorized by law, shall,
when offered at public sale, to the
highest bidder, be offered in half
quarter sections; & when offered at
private sale, may be purchased, at the
option of the purchaser, either in en-
tire sections, half sections, quarter
sections, or half quarter sections; &
in every case of the division of a
quarter section, the line for the di-
vision thereof shall run north and
south, and the corners and contents
of half quarter sections, which may
hereafter to be sold, shall be ascer-
tained in the manner, and on the
principles, directed and prescribed
by the second section of an act, en-
titled "An act concerning the mode
of surveying the public lands of the
United States passed on the elev-
enth day of February eighteen hun-
dred and five, and fractional sec-
tions, containing one hundred and
sixty acres, or upwards shall, in like
manner, as nearly as practicable, be

subdivided into half quarter sections,
under such rules and regulations as
may be prescribed by the Secretary
of the Treasury; but fractional sec-
tions, containing less than one hun-
dred and sixty acres, shall not be di-
vided, but shall be sold entire: *Pro-
vided*, That this section shall not be
construed to alter any special pro-
vision made by law for the sale of
land in town lots.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*,
That credit shall not be allowed for
the purchase money on the sale of
any of the public lands which shall
be sold after the first day of July
next, but every purchaser of land
sold at public sale thereafter, shall,
on the day of purchase, make com-
plete payment therefor, and the pur-
chaser at private sale shall produce
to the register of the land office, a re-
ceipt from the Treasurer of the Uni-
ted States, or from the receiver of
public moneys of the district, for the
amount of the purchase money on
any tract, before he shall enter the
same at the land office; and if any
person, being the highest bidder, at
public sale, for a tract of land, shall
fail to make payment therefor, on
the day on which the same was pur-
chased, the tract shall be again offer-
ed at public sale, on the next day of
sale, and such person, shall not be
capable of becoming the purchaser of
that or any other tract offered at
such public sales.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*,
That from and after the first day of
July next, the price at which the pub-
lic lands shall be offered for sale,
shall be one dollar and twenty-five
cents an acre; and at every public
sale, the highest bidder, who shall
make payment as aforesaid, shall be
the purchaser; but no lands shall be
sold, either at public or private sale,
for a less price than one dollar and
twenty-five cents an acre; and all
the public lands which shall have
been offered at public sale before
the first day of July next, and which
shall then remain unsold, as well as
the lands that shall thereafter be of-
fered at public sale, according to
law, and remain unsold at the close
of such public sale, shall be subject
to be sold at private sale, by entry
at the land office, at one dollar and
twenty-five cents an acre, to be paid
at the time of making such entry as
aforesaid, with the exception, how-
ever, of the lands which may have
reverted to the United States for
failure in payment, and of the heret-
ofore reserved sections for the fu-
ture disposal of Congress, in the
states of Ohio and Indiana, which
shall be offered at public sale, as
hereinafter directed.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*,
That no lands which have reverted,
or which shall hereafter revert and
become forfeited to the U. States,
for failure in any manner to make
payment, shall, after the first day of
July next, be subject to entry at pri-
vate sale, nor until the same shall
have been first offered to the high-
est bidder at public sale; and all
such lands which shall have rever-
ted before the said first day of July
next, and which shall then belong to
the United States, together with the
sections, and parts of sections, heret-
ofore reserved for the future dispos-
al of Congress, which shall, at the
time aforesaid, remain unsold, shall
be offered at public sale to the high-
est bidder, who shall make payment
therefor in half quarter sections, at
the land office for the respective dis-
tricts, on such day or days as shall,
by proclamation of the President of
the United States, be designated for
that purpose; and all lands which
shall revert and become forfeited
for failure of payment after the said
first day of July next, shall be offer-
ed, in like manner, at public sale, at
such time or times as the President
shall, by his proclamation, designate
for the purpose: *Provided*, that no
such lands shall be sold at any pub-
lic sales hereby authorized for a less
price than one dollar and twenty-
five cents an acre, nor on any other
terms than that of cash payment;
and all the lands offered at such pub-
lic sales, and which shall remain un-

sold at the close thereof, shall be
subject to entry at private sale, in
the same manner, and at the same
price, with the other lands sold at
private sale at the respective land
offices.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*,
That the several public sales au-
thorized by this act, shall, respect-
ively, be kept open for two weeks,
and no longer; and the Registers of
the Land Office, and the Receivers
of public money, shall each, respect-
ively, be entitled to five dollars for
each day's attendance thereon.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*,
That, in every case hereafter, where
two or more persons shall apply for
the purchase, at private sale, of the
same tract, at the same time, the
Register shall determine the prefer-
ence, by forthwith offering the tract
to the highest bidder.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate, pro tempore,
April 24, 1820. Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT to continue in force the act
passed on the twentieth day of April,
one thousand eight hundred and eigh-
teen, entitled "An act supplementary
to an act entitled 'An act to regulate
the collection of duties on imports and
tonnage,' passed the second day of
March one thousand seven hundred
and ninety-nine," and for other pur-
poses.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House
of Representatives of the United States
of America, in Congress assembled, That
the act passed on the twentieth day
of April, in the year one thousand
eight hundred and eighteen, enti-
tled "An act supplementary to an
act entitled 'An act to regulate the
collection of duties on imports and
tonnage,' passed the second day of
March, one thousand seven hundred
and ninety-nine," shall continue in
force for two years from the twenti-
eth day of April one thousand eight
hundred and twenty, and from that
time until the end of the next ses-
sion of Congress, and no longer.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*,
That in all cases of entry of mer-
chandise for the benefit of drawback,
the time of twenty days shall be al-
lowed, from the date of the clear-
ance of the ship or vessel in which
the same shall be laden for com-
pleting the entry, and taking the
oath required by law: *Provided*,
That the exporter shall, in every
other particular, comply with the
regulations and formalities hereto-
fore established, for entries of ex-
portation for the benefit of draw-
back.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate, pro tempore,
April 24, 1820. Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT in addition to an act, enti-
tled "An act to provide for certain
persons engaged in the land and naval
service of the United States in the re-
volutionary war" passed on the eight-
eenth day of March, one thousand
eight hundred and eighteen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House
of Representatives of the United States
of America, in Congress assembled, That
no person who now is, or here-
after may be, placed on the pension
list of the United States, by virtue
of the act, entitled "An act to pro-
vide for certain persons engaged in
the land and naval service of the
United States in the revolutionary
war," passed on the eighteenth day of
March, one thousand eight hundred
and eighteen, shall, after the pay-
ment of that part of the pension
which became due on the fourth day
of March, one thousand eight hun-
dred and twenty, continue to re-
ceive the pension granted by the
said act, until he shall have exhib-
ited to some court of record, in the
county, city, or borough, in which
he resides, a schedule subscribed by
him containing his whole estate and
income (his necessary clothing and
bedding excepted,) and shall have,
(before the said court or some one
of the judges thereof) taken and sub-
scribed, and produced to the said

court, the following oath or affirma-
tion, to wit: I, A. B. do solemnly
swear or affirm (as the case may be)
that I was a resident citizen of the
United States on the eighteenth day
March, one thousand eight hundred
and eighteen and that I have not since
that time, by gift, sale, or in any
manner whatever, disposed of my
property, or any part thereof, with
intent thereby so to diminish it as to
bring myself within the provisions
of an act of Congress, entitled "an
act to provide for certain persons
engaged in the land and naval ser-
vice of the United States in the revo-
lutionary war," passed on the eight-
eenth day of March, one thousand
eight hundred and eighteen, and
that I have not, nor has any per-
son in trust for me, any property
or securities, contracts, or debts,
due to me; nor have I any income,
other than what is contained in the
schedule hereto annexed and by me
subscribed: Nor until such person
shall have delivered, or cause to be
delivered, to the Secretary of War,
a copy of the aforesaid schedule and
oath or affirmation, certified by the
clerk of the court to which the said
schedule was delivered, together with
the opinion of the said court, also
certified by their clerk, of the value
of the property contained in the said
schedule: *Provided*, That, in ev-
ery case in which the pensioner may
be insane, or incapable of taking an
oath, the court may receive the said
schedule, without the aforesaid oath
or affirmation, from the committee
or other person authorized to take care
of such person.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*
That the original schedule, and oath
or affirmation shall be filed in the
clerk's office, of the court to which
the schedule and oath or affirmation,
aforesaid shall be exhibited: & any
person who shall swear or affirm
falsely in the premises, and be there-
of convicted, shall suffer as for wil-
ful and corrupt perjury.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*,
That, on the receipt of the copy of
the schedule and oath, or affirma-
tion aforesaid, it shall be the duty
of the Secretary of the War depart-
ment, to cause to be struck, from the
list of pensioners under the said act,
the name of such person, in case the
said person shall not, in his opinion,
be in such indigent circumstances as
to be unable to support himself with-
out the assistance of his country:
Provided, That every person who
shall have been placed on the pension
list in consequence of disability from
known wounds received in the revo-
lutionary war, and who shall have
relinquished such pension in order
to avail themselves of the benefit of
the provisions of the act, to which
this is an amendment, who, by vir-
tue of this section, may be stricken
from the pension list, shall be forth-
with restored to the pension so re-
linquished.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate pro tempore,
May 1, 1820. Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT to increase the allowance of
the Judges of the Orphan's Court, in
the counties of Washington and Alex-
andria.

Be it enacted by the Senate & House
of Representatives of the United States
of America, in Congress assembled, That
from and after the passage of this act,
the Judge of the orphan's court, for the
county of Washington, in the Dis-
trict of Columbia, and the judge of
the orphan's court for the county of
Alexandria, in the same District,
shall, each, be entitled to receive,
in lieu of his present compensation,
the sum of six dollars, for every
day he shall attend in the execution
of his office; to be paid in the same
manner as is now by law directed.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate pro tempore,
May 1, 1820. Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT for the relief of John Steel.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House
of Representatives of the United States of
America in Congress assembled, That for
the discharge of a judgment ob-
tained against John Steel, collector
of Philadelphia, on account of his re-
fusal to grant a clearance for the
Spanish brig Los Dos Amigos, in
which refusal the said collector acted
under an instruction from the De-
partment of State, a sum not exceed-
ing three thousand three hundred
dollars, be, and the same is hereby
appropriated; to be paid out of any
money in the Treasury not other-
wise appropriated. H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN GAILLARD,
President of the Senate pro tempore,
May 1, 1820. Approved:
JAMES MONROE.

AN ACT to establish a District Court in
the State of Alabama.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House
of Representatives of the United States
of America in Congress assembled, That
all the laws of the United States,
which are not locally inapplicable,
shall be extended to the state of Al-
abama, and shall have the same force
and effect within the same, as else-
where within the United States.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*,
That the said state shall be one dis-
trict, and be called the Alabama
district; and a district court shall
be held therein, to consist of one
Judge, who shall reside in the same
district, and be called the district
Judge. He shall hold, alternately,
at the towns of Mobile and Cahaba,
beginning at the first, four stated ses-
sions annually; the first, to com-
mence on the first Monday in April
next, and the three other sessions,
progressively, on the first Monday
of every third calendar month there-
after. He shall, in all things, have
and exercise the same jurisdiction
and powers which were by law given
to the Judge of the Kentucky dis-
trict, under an act, entitled "An act
to establish the judicial courts of the
United States," and an act, entitled
"An act in addition to the act, en-
titled 'An act to establish the judi-
cial courts of the United States,'"
approved second March, one thou-
sand seven hundred & ninety-three.
He shall appoint clerks for the said
district, who shall reside, and keep
the records of the Court, at the pla-
ces of holding the same and shall re-
ceive, for the services performed by
them, the same fees to which the
clerk of the Kentucky district is en-
titled for similar services.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*,
That all causes, actions, indict-
ments, libels, pleas, processes, and
proceedings whatsoever, returnable,
commenced, depending, or in any
manner existing in the general court
established by an act, entitled "An
act to establish a separate territorial
government for the eastern part of
the Mississippi territory," by virtue
of the Federal jurisdiction by that
act granted, be, and the same are
hereby transferred to the said dis-
trict court, and may be proceeded
in, shall exist, and have like inci-
dents and effects, as if they had been
originated, and been proceeded in,
in the said district court.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*,
That the dockets, books, records,
and papers, belonging to the said
general court, arising out of, and
pertaining to, its federal jurisdic-
tion, shall be transferred to, and be-
come the dockets, books, records,
and papers, of the said district
court.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*,
That there shall be allowed to the
judge of the said district court the
annual compensation of fifteen hun-
dred dollars, to commence from the
date of his appointment, to be paid
quarter yearly at the Treasury of the
United States.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*,
That there shall be appointed in the
said district, a person learned in the
law, to act as Attorney for the Uni-
ted States; who shall, in addition to
his stated fees be paid by the United
States, two hundred dollars annually,
as a full compensation for all extra
services.