



By Authority.

LAW OF THE U STATES.

AN ACT

Concerning the mode of surveying the Public Lands of the United States. BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the surveyor general, shall cause all those lands north of the river Ohio, which by virtue of the act, entitled "An act providing for the sale of the lands of the United States, in the territory north west of the river Ohio, and above the mouth of the Kentucky river," were subdivided, by running through the townships parallel lines each way, at the end of every two miles, and by marking a corner on each of the said lines, at the end of every mile; to be subdivided into sections, by running straight lines from the mile corners thus marked, to the opposite corresponding corners, and by marking on each of the said lines, intermediate corners, as near as possible equi-distant from the corners of the sections on the same line. And the said surveyor general shall also cause the boundaries of all the half sections which had been purchased previous to the first day of July last, and on which the surveying fees had been paid according to law by the purchaser, to be surveyed and marked, by running straight lines from the half mile corners, heretofore marked, to the opposite corresponding corners, and intermediate corners, shall, at the same time, be marked on each of the said dividing lines, as nearly as possible equi-distant from the corners of the half section on the same line: Provided, That the whole expence of surveying, and marking the lines, shall not exceed three dollars for every mile which has not yet been surveyed, and which shall be actually run, surveyed, and marked by virtue of this section. And the expence of making the subdivisions, directed by this section shall be defrayed out of the monies appropriated, or which may be hereafter appropriated for completing the surveys of the public lands of the United States.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the boundaries and contents of the several sections, half sections, and quarter sections of the public lands of the United States, shall be ascertained in conformity with the following principles: any act or acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

1st. All the corners marked in the surveys, returned by the surveyor general, or by the surveyor of the lands south of the state of Tennessee, shall be established respectively, as the proper corners of sections, or subdivisions of sections, which they were intended to designate; and the corners not marked on the said surveys, shall be placed as nearly as possible, equi-distant from those two corners, which stand on the same line.

2d. The boundary lines, actually run and marked in the surveys returned by the surveyor general, or by the surveyor of the land south of the state of Tennessee, respectively, shall be established at the proper boundary lines of the sections, or subdivisions, for which they were intended, and the length of such lines, as returned by either of the surveyors aforesaid, shall be held and considered as the true length thereof. And the boundary lines, which shall not have been actually run and marked as aforesaid, shall be ascertained by running straight lines from the established corners to the opposite corresponding corners; but in those portions of the fractional townships, when no such opposite corresponding corners have been or can be fixed, the said boundary lines shall be ascertained, by running from the established corners, due north and south, or east and west lines, as the case may be, to the water course, Indian boundary line, or other external boundary of such fractional township.

3d. Each section, or subdivision of section, the contents whereof, shall have been, or by virtue of the first section of this act, shall be returned by the surveyor general, or by the surveyor of the public lands south of the state of Tennessee, respectively, shall be held and considered as con-

taining the exact quantity, expressed in such return or returns: and the half sections and quarter sections, the contents whereof shall not have been returned, shall be held and considered as containing the one half, or the one fourth part respectively, of the returned contents of the section of which they make a part.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That so much of the act entitled "An act making provision for the disposal of the lands in the Indiana territory, and for other purposes," as provides the mode of ascertaining the true contents of sections or subdivisions of sections, and prevents the issues of final certificates unless the said contents shall have been ascertained, and a plot certified by the district surveyor, lodged with the register, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

NATHL. MACON, Speaker of the House of Representatives. A. BURK, Vice-President of the United States, and President of the Senate. Approved, February 11, 1865. TH. JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

Supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage." BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the same terms of credit, which are granted by law, for the payment of duties on articles the produce of the West-Indias, and no other, shall be allowed on goods, wares and merchandise imported by sea into the United States, from all foreign ports and islands, lying north of the Equator, and situated on the eastern shores of America, or in its adjacent seas bays, and gulfs.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be allowed for any ship or vessel to proceed with any goods, wares or merchandise, brought in her, and which shall in the manifest delivered to the collector of the customs, be reported as destined or intended for any foreign port or place, from the district within which such ship or vessel shall first arrive, to such foreign port or place, without paying or securing the payment of any duties upon such goods, wares and merchandise, as shall be actually re-exported in the said ship or vessel: Provided, that such manifest so declaring to re-export such goods, wares or merchandise, shall be delivered to such collector, within forty-eight hours after the arrival of such ship or vessel. And Provided also, that the master or commander of such ship or vessel, shall give bond as required by the thirty-second section of the act entitled "An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage."

NATHL. MACON, Speaker of the House of Representatives. A. BURK, Vice-President of the United States, and President of the Senate. Approved, November 24, 1864. TH. JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

Further providing for the government of the territory of Orleans.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized to establish within the territory of Orleans a government in all respects similar (except as is herein otherwise provided) to that now exercised in the Mississippi territory, and shall, in the recess of the Senate, but to be nominated at their next meeting, for their advice and consent, appoint all the officers necessary therein in conformity with the ordinance of Congress, made on the thirteenth day of July, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, and that from and after the establishment of the said government, the inhabitants of the territory of Orleans, shall be entitled to, and enjoy all the rights, privileges and advantages secured by the said ordinance, and now enjoyed by the people of the Mississippi territory.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That so much of the said ordinance of Congress, as relates to the organization of a general Assembly, and prescribes the powers thereof, shall, from and after the fourth day of July next, be in force in the said territory of Orleans; and in order to carry the same into operation, the governor of

the said territory shall cause to be elected twenty-five representatives, for which purpose he shall lay off the said territory into convenient election districts, on or before the first Monday of October next, and give due notice thereof throughout the same; and shall appoint the most convenient time and place within each of the said districts, for holding the elections: and shall nominate a proper officer or officers, to preside at and conduct the same, and return to him the names of the persons who may have been duly elected. All subsequent elections shall be regulated by the legislature: and the number of representatives shall be determined, and the apportionment made in the manner prescribed by the said ordinance.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the representatives to be chosen as aforesaid, shall be convened by the governor, in the city of Orleans, on the first Monday in November next. And the general assembly shall meet, at least once in every year, and such meeting shall be on the first Monday in December, annually, unless they shall, by law appoint a different day. Neither house, during the session, shall, without the consent of the other adjourn for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the two branches are sitting.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the laws in force in the said territory at the commencement of this act, and not inconsistent with the provisions thereof, shall continue in force, until altered, modified or repealed by the legislature.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That the second paragraph of the said ordinance, which regulates the descent and distribution of estates; and also the sixth article of compact, which is annexed to, and makes part of said ordinance, are hereby declared not to extend to, but are excluded from all operation within the said territory of Orleans.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That the Governor, Secretary and Judges to be appointed by virtue of this act, shall be severally allowed the same compensation, which is now allowed to the Governor, Secretary and Judges of the Territory of Orleans. And all the additional officers authorized by this act, shall respectively receive the same compensations for their services, as are by law established for similar offices in the Mississippi territory, to be paid quarterly out of the revenues of import and tonnage, accruing within the said territory of Orleans.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That whenever it shall be ascertained by an actual census, or enumeration of the inhabitants of the territory of Orleans, taken by proper authority, that the number of free inhabitants included therein shall amount to sixty thousand, they shall thereupon be authorized to form for themselves a constitution and state government, and be admitted into the Union, upon the footing of the original states, in all respects whatever, conformably to the provisions of the third article of the treaty, concluded at Paris, on the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and three, between the United States and the French Republic: Provided, That the constitution so to be established shall be republican, and not inconsistent with the constitution of the U. States, nor inconsistent with the ordinance of the late Congress, passed the thirteenth day of July, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, so far as the same is made applicable to the territorial government heretofore authorized to be established: Provided however, That Congress shall be at liberty, any time prior to the admission of the inhabitants of said territory, to the right of a separate state, to alter the boundaries thereof as they may judge proper: Except only, That no alteration shall be made, which shall protract the period for the admission of the inhabitants thereof, to the rights of a state government, according to the provision of this act.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That so much of an act, entitled "An act erecting Louisiana into two territories, and providing for the temporary government thereof," as is repugnant with this act, shall, from

and after the first Monday in November next, be repealed. And the residue of the said act shall continue in full force until repealed, any thing in the sixteenth section of the said act to the contrary notwithstanding.

NATHL. MACON, Speaker of the House of Representatives. A. BURK, Vice-President of the United States, and President of the Senate. Approved, March 21, 1865. TH. JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

Authorizing the discharge of John York, from imprisonment.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the marshal of the district of New-York, be authorized and directed to discharge John York, late a collector of the direct tax, for the eighty-third collection district, in the state of New-York from his imprisonment, upon a warrant of distress, issued against him, by the supervisor of said district: Provided, that he take before any Judge of the United States, or any Judge or Justice of the peace, of the state of New-York, so much of an oath imposed upon persons imprisoned for debt, by the second section of the act entitled "An act for the relief of persons imprisoned for debt," as relates to his not having transferred his property, with intent to defraud the United States, and provided that he shall assign and convey all the estate real and personal, which he may own or be entitled to, to some person, for the use and benefit of the United States, under the direction of the secretary of the treasury: Provided also, that any estate, real or personal, which the said John York may hereafter acquire, shall be liable to be taken and sold, in the same manner, as if he had never been imprisoned and discharged as aforesaid.

NATHL. MACON, Speaker of the House of Representatives. A. BURK, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate. Approved, March 21, 1865. TH. JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

In addition to "An act to make provision for persons that have been disabled by known wounds, received in the actual service of the United States, during the revolutionary war."

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the provision contained in the first section of "An act to make provision for persons that have been disabled by known wounds, received in the actual service of the United States, during the revolutionary war," passed the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and three, are hereby extended to all those persons in the service of the United States, who, in consequence of their disability by known wounds, received in actual service, during the revolutionary war resigned their commissions, or took discharges, or who, after incurring their disability, were taken captive by the enemy, and remained either in captivity, or on parole, until the close of the war; or who, in consequence of known wounds received in the actual service of the United States, have at any period since, become, and continued disabled, in such manner as to render them unable to procure a subsistence by manual labor. Provided, That every person of the several descriptions herein mentioned, applying for a pension, shall, in all other respects, conform to the requirement of the act to which this is an addition.

NATHL. MACON, Speaker of the House of Representatives. JOS. ANDERSON, President of the Senate pro-tempore. Approved, March 24, 1865. TH. JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

Supplementary to the act, entitled "An act making an appropriation for carrying into effect the Convention between the United States of America and his Britannic Majesty."

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to cause the last payment due under the convention of the eight of January, one thousand eight hundred and two, between the United States of America and his Britannic Majesty, to be

made in Great-Britain: Provided, That the same may be effected without any risk to the United States.

NATHL. MACON, Speaker of the House of Representatives. JOS. ANDERSON, President of the Senate pro-tempore. Approved, March 2, 1865. TH. JEFFERSON.

CHOICE LANDS

FOR SALE.

A Division of the famous "Saur" Town Lands having to be placed between the Heirs of James Parke Farley Esq. dec. and Colonel John S. Farley, and his Sister Mrs. Elizabeth Morson, the subscribers Robert Taylor, of Norfolk, and Charles Duncan, at Roslin, near Petersburg, are fully empowered by the said Col. Farley and Mrs. Morson, to dispose of their proportion, containing 12832 Acres, which are surveyed and divided into eight lots, containing from 500 to 2800 acres, agreeably to plans in the possession of the said Duncan. The four largest lots are of excellent quality, each containing a considerable proportion of the richest low grounds, which produce Tobacco of the very first quality, as has been experienced by one of the subscribers, who shipped it for a number of years.

These lands lie on Dan and Smith's Rivers in Rockingham County, on the Borders of North-Carolina, about 170 miles from Petersburg and Richmond. As there is seldom such Land for sale, they must be an object to those who want to purchase such as will produce fine Tobacco, Hemp and small Grain. One third of the Price must be paid in ready money, one third in twelve months, and the other third in two years, the Purchaser giving Bond with unexceptionable Security, bearing Interest from the date if not punctually paid.

Those that wish to purchase, will be shown the Lands by Dr. John C. Cox, living at Leesville, near Rockingham Court-house; and the Terms by ROBERT TAYLOR, CHARLES DUNCAN. Petersburg, Nov. 15 1864.

Valuable Land for sale.

On the first Monday in May next, at Granville Court-house, will be exposed to public Sale,

A Tract of Land, containing 1087 3/4 Acres, by late actual survey, lying on Tabo's Creek, in the county of Granville, about eight miles south-east from the Court-house; one hundred acres of which are excellent low Grounds, and were lately valued by competent judges at 15 dollars a cash per acre; the rest of the Land lies well, is plentifully watered, and covered with the best Timber. The whole well adapted to the culture of Tobacco, Wheat and Corn. A small part of it is cleared, perhaps enough to work six or eight hands to advantage. It is believed by those who are acquainted with its situation and quality, that no Tract of high Land in that, or any of the neighbouring Counties, exceeds or equals it in value.

It will be shown previous to the day of sale to any person wishing to view it, on application to William Walker, Esq. or Mr. John Peace, jun. who have adjoining it. A credit of one and two years will be given to the Purchaser, on the Purchase money being secured, to carry interest from the day of sale till paid. DUN. CAMERON. Hillsborough, Mar 15, 1865.

RAN AWAY,

From the Subscriber, living near the Falls of Newus, Wake County, on the 15th inst.

A Negro Fellow, named JAMES about 21 or 22 years old, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, very black, knock-kneed, one leg larger than the other; took away with him a Negro Clothing and a new Dutch Blanket. I purchased him last August of a Mr. Aaron Moore of Cumberland county, where he may at this time be lurking. I will give ten Dollars for said Fellow delivered to me, or lodged in Wake Jail, and a larger sum in proportion to a farther distance. SAMUEL HIGH. Wake, March 20.

JAMES BEGGS,

Chair-Maker, Fayetteville.

IS well supplied with suitable seasoned Timber for his business; and having a few hands who are well acquainted with their particular Branches, is induced to believe he can furnish Work in his line, equal to any that has hitherto been made in any shop in this part of the Country. He is disposed to sell Riding Chairs, double or single, at the low price of Forty five Dollars. He has a few Gig and Stages nearly finished, which he will sell at reduced prices. Repairs done very low. Mar. 20.

BUILDING.

IN Pittsborough, on the 22d of April next, will be let to the lowest Bidder, the BUILDING OF A COURT-HOUSE for the County of Chatham. The particulars will be made known on that day. The Commissioners. March 18.

J. Gates has on hand, A few Copies of Haywood's Manual, of the Laws of North-Carolina.