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BY AUTHORITY.

An act to authorise the erection of a light-house, on one of the Isles of Shoals, near Portsmouth, in New-Hampshire.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That as soon as the jurisdiction of such one of the Isles of Shoals, in the state of New-Hampshire, in the state of Massachusetts, or in the state of Maine, as the President of the United States shall select for the site of a light-house, shall be ceded to, and the property thereof vested in, the U. States, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to provide, by contract, which shall be approved by the President, for building a light-house on such island, to be so lighted as to be distinguishable from other light-houses on the east and west of the same; and, also, to agree for the salaries, wages, or hire, of the person or persons to be appointed by the President for the superintendance of the same.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the sum of five thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of building such light-house, to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to provide by contract, for building light-houses, erecting piers, beacons, or landmarks, and building and placing light vessels, or boats, or buoys, on the following sites or shoals, to wit: A pier at the mouth of Kennebec river, in the state of Maine; two light-houses, one on Teapond Island, at the entrance into Gloucester harbor, and the other on Baker's Island, near Salem, in the state of Massachusetts; a light-house at a proper site near the mouth of Genesee river, in the state of New-York; a buoy on Southwest Ledge, and another on Adam's Fall, in or near to the harbor of New Haven, in the state of Connecticut; a light vessel at the end of Smith's Point Shoals, in the Chesapeake Bay, in the state of Virginia; a light-house on Shell Castle Island, in the state of North Carolina; or, in lieu thereof, a light vessel, to be moored in a proper place, near the said Island, if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Treasury, the latter shall be preferred: A beacon and two buoys on proper sites in the channel leading to the harbor of Charleston, in the state of South Carolina; a light-house on a proper site in Mobile Bay, in the state of Alabama, or, in lieu thereof, a light vessel in the said bay, if the same shall be preferred: A light vessel, should the same be deemed necessary by the Secretary of the Treasury, at the mouth of the Mississippi, in the state of Louisiana.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That there be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to accomplish the objects specified in this act, to wit: for erecting a pier at the mouth of Kennebec river, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars: for placing a bell near the light-house on West Quoddy Head, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars: for erecting two light-houses on one Teapond Island, and the other on Baker's Island, and placing three buoys on the rocks and flats near Salem, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars: for defraying the expense of lighting the light-house on the south side of the harbor of Nantucket, and superintending the same, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars: for a light-house near the mouth of Genesee river, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars: for placing two buoys, one on Southwest Ledge, and the other on Adam's Fall, in or near the harbor of New Haven, a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars: for a light vessel, and placing the same at the end of Smith's Point Shoals, a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars: for a light-house on Shell Castle Island, or a light-vessel, if preferred, a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand dollars: for a beacon and two buoys on proper sites in or near to the channel leading to Charleston Harbor, a sum not exceeding six thousand five hundred dollars: for a light-house, or light vessel, for Mobile Bay, a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars: for a light vessel at the mouth of the Mississippi, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized, if he shall deem it expedient and proper, to build the light house directed to be built on Sparrow's Point, in the state of Maryland, on North Point in said State; and also to substitute a light vessel for the light-house directed to be built on Craney Island, at the mouth of Elizabeth River, in the state of Virginia.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That to complete the light-houses and light vessels heretofore directed to be built, there be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the following additional sums, to wit: for the light houses in the state of Maryland, a sum not exceeding six thousand six hundred dollars: for the light-house directed to be built between the mouth of Grand River, in the state of Ohio, & the

mouth of Detroit River, in the Territory of Michigan, five thousand dollars: & for the light houses or light vessels for the state of Virginia, a sum not exceeding six thousand six hundred dollars.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That no light house, beacon, nor land-mark, shall be built or erected on any site previous to the cession of jurisdiction over the same being made to the United States.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act to amend an act "making reservation of certain public lands for naval purposes," passed first March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the first section of the act of congress passed on the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred & seventeen, entitled "An act making reservation of certain public lands for naval purposes," as empowers the Secretary of the Navy to appoint an agent or agents, and surveyor, be, and the same is hereby repealed; and the duties and services required by said section be performed in future by such surveyors of public lands as may be designated by the President of the United States.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act to continue in force "an act to protect the commerce of the United States, and punish the crime of piracy," and also to make further provision for punishing the crime of piracy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the first, second, third, and fourth sections of an act, entitled "An act to protect the commerce of the United States and punish the crime of piracy," passed on the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, be, and the same are hereby, continued in force, from the passing of this act, for the term of two years, and from thence to the end of the next session of Congress, and no longer.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the fifth section of the said act be, and the same is hereby continued in force, as to all crimes made punishable by the same, and heretofore committed, in all respects, as fully as if the duration of the said section had been without limitation.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That if any person shall, upon the high seas, or in any open roadstead, or in any haven, basin, or bay, or in any river, where the sea ebbs and flows, commit the crime of robbery, in or upon any ship or vessel, or upon any of the ship's company of any ship or vessel, or the lading thereof, such person shall be adjudged to be a pirate; and being thereof convicted before the Circuit Court of the United States for the district into which he shall be brought, or in which he shall be found, shall suffer death. And if any person engaged in any piratical cruise or enterprise, or being of the crew or ship's company, of any piratical ship or vessel, and on shore, shall commit robbery, such person shall be adjudged a pirate, and on conviction thereof before the Circuit Court of the United States for the district into which he shall be brought, or in which he shall be found, shall suffer death: *Provided,* that nothing in this section contained shall be construed to deprive any particular state of its jurisdiction over such offenses, when committed within the body of a county, or authorize the courts of the United States to try any such offenders, after conviction or acquittance, for the same offence in a state court.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That if any citizen of the United States, being of the crew or ship's company of any foreign ship or vessel engaged in the slave trade, or any person whatever, being of the crew or ship's company of any ship or vessel owned in whole or part, or navigated for, or in behalf of, any citizen or citizens of the United States, shall land, from any such ship or vessel, and, on any foreign shore, seize any negro or mulatto, not held to service or labor by the laws of either of the states or territories of the United States, with intent to make such negro or mulatto a slave, shall decoy, or forcibly bring or carry, or shall receive, such negro or mulatto on board any such ship or vessel, with intent, as aforesaid, such citizen or person shall be adjudged a pirate, and, on conviction thereof before the circuit court of the United States for the district wherein he may be brought or found, shall suffer death.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That if any citizen of the United States being of the crew or ship's company of any foreign ship or vessel engaged in the slave trade, or any person whatever, being of the crew or ship's company of any ship or vessel owned wholly or in part, or navigated for, or in behalf of, any citizen or citizens of the United States, shall forcibly confine, or detain, or aid and abet in forcibly confining, or detaining, on board such ship or vessel, any negro, or mulatto, not held to service by the laws of either of the states or territories of the United States, with intent to make such negro or mulatto a slave, or shall, on board any such ship or vessel, offer or attempt to

sell, as a slave, any negro or mulatto, not held to service, as aforesaid, or shall, on the high seas, or any where on tide water, transfer, or deliver over, to any other ship or vessel, any negro, or mulatto, not held to service, as aforesaid, with intent to make such negro or mulatto a slave, or shall land, or deliver on shore, from on board any such ship or vessel, any such negro or mulatto, with intent to make sale of, or having previously sold, such negro or mulatto, as a slave, such citizen or person shall be adjudged a pirate, and, on conviction thereof, before the circuit court of the United States for the district wherein he shall be bro't or found, shall suffer death.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act authorizing the Secretary of State to issue Letters Patent to Henry Burdin.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of State shall be, and he is hereby authorized and required to issue Letters Patent to Henry Burdin, for his improvement in the construction of a plough, upon his complying with the directions of the act, entitled "An act to promote the progress of the useful arts, and to repeal the act heretofore made for that purpose," and an act entitled "An act to extend the privilege of obtaining Patents for useful discoveries and inventions to certain persons therein mentioned, and to enlarge and define the penalties for violating the rights of patentees," except so far as the said acts, or any part or parts of them, require a residence of two years within the United States, in like manner, in all respects, as if the said Henry Burdin had resided two years within the United States.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act for the relief of Richard S. Hackley.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be paid to Richard S. Hackley, or to his Agent or Attorney, duly authorized, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand two hundred and thirteen dollars and seventy-four cents; being the amount of expenses incurred and paid by him, in and about the detention of the ship Vigilant, seized by him at Cadiz, in the year one thousand eight hundred and nine, under the orders of George W. Irving, Esq. then Minister of the U. States in Spain.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act for the relief of Ambrose Vasse.

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, and he is hereby, authorized to pay to Ambrose Vasse, of the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, the sum of thirteen thousand three hundred and seventy-eight dollars and sixty-three cents; being the sum awarded to be paid him for the cargo of the ship Olive Branch, by the Board of Commissioners, under the seventh article of the Treaty of the twentieth of November, one thousand seven hundred & ninety-four, between the United States and Great-Britain: *Provided,* there is as much money remaining of the fund which, by law, was appropriated for the payment of the awards under the said seventh article of the said treaty; or to pay such part thereof, as the fund aforesaid, remaining in the Treasury, will enable.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act for the relief of persons holding confirmed unlocated claims for lands in the state of Illinois.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all persons lawfully holding confirmed unlocated claims for land within the tract reserved by the third section of the act entitled "An act confirming certain claims to land in the Illinois territory, and providing for their location," passed the sixteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, be allowed until the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, to register the same; and the said claims shall be receivable in payment for public lands within the said reserved tract, conformably with the provisions of the said act, and of the act entitled "An act making further provision for settling claims to land in the territory of Illinois," passed the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at any time before the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act in addition to the act, entitled, "An act making appropriations for the support of government for the year 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 the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated, that is to say: For compensation granted by law to

the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, in addition to the appropriation heretofore made for that object, twenty-three thousand three hundred and forty dollars.

For rebuilding the public wharf, and repairing the public warehouses, on Staten Island, fifteen thousand dollars.

For graduating the Capitol Square, putting the grounds in order, and planting trees within the same, two thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the several appropriations hereinbefore made, shall be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the arrearages of the Department of War, from the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, to the first of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be paid out of the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars already appropriated for arrearages prior to the first of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen; any thing in the act, entitled "An act in addition to the several acts for the establishment and regulation of the Treasury, War, and Navy Departments," passed the first of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act to provide for the building an addition to the Custom House now erecting in the city of New Orleans, for the use of the District Court of the United States for the state of Louisiana.

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 cause to be built an addition to the custom house now erecting in the city of New-Orleans, which shall contain rooms suitable for the use of the District Court of the United States for the state of Louisiana; and that so much of the appropriation for the erection of custom houses and public warehouses, as shall be sufficient for that purpose, be, and the same is hereby declared to be, applicable to that object.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That, as soon as the said building shall be completed, the Secretary of the Treasury shall be authorized and required to cause to be sold, at public sale, upon such terms, and in such manner, as he shall judge to be expedient, the house and lot in which the District Court is now held, and to cause the amount for which they shall be sold, to be paid into the Treasury of the United States.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Conrad Laub, deceased.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the person authorized to transact the business of the late supervisor of the Revenue in the state of Pennsylvania be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to revise the accounts of Conrad Laub, deceased, late a collector of Internal Duties in the state aforesaid, and to audit and settle the same, admitting, on sufficient evidence, all legal or equitable credits not heretofore allowed or rejected by Congress.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That if the administrator of the said Conrad Laub, deceased, shall be dissatisfied with the settlement and decision of the person authorized to transact the business of the supervisor aforesaid, he may, within three months after such decisions, appeal from the same, upon such items in the account as he shall specially designate, stating, in writing, his objections to the decision on the same, to the accounting officers of the Treasury department; and, upon such appeal being taken and presented to the Treasury Department, within the time aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the accounting officers of that Department to audit and settle the same, according to the rules prescribed by this act, and in such manner as the justice of the case may require.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That if, upon the settlement of the accounts as aforesaid, of the said Conrad Laub, deceased, it shall appear that he is entitled to further credits than have heretofore been received, it shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Treasury to allow the same, and credit his account therewith.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the legal and equitable allowance to be made, shall not exceed the balance which is due to the United States; nor shall any allowance, so ascertained, be passed to his credit, unless the administrator shall forthwith pay such remaining balance, if any, as shall, upon said settlement, be found to be due and owing from the said Conrad Laub.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act to authorise the Governor of Illinois to obtain certain Abstracts of Lands from certain Public Offices.

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 Register of the United States' land office at Vincennes, in the state of Indiana, to furnish to the Go-

vernor of the state of Illinois, when he shall apply for the same, a complete abstract of all the lands which have been purchased at that office, or which may hereafter be purchased, which lie within the state of Illinois, designating the name of each purchaser, and the time of making the purchase; for which he shall be entitled to receive, from such applicant, at the rate of ten cents for each separate entry, a copy whereof is required: *Provided,* however, That all the expense incurred by virtue of this act, shall be defrayed by said state.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, upon the application of the Governor of said state, to cause a complete abstract to be made out, for the use of said state, of all the military bounty lands which have been patented to the soldiers of the late army, lying within the same, designating the name of each patentee.

Approved—May 15, 1820.

An act to establish a uniform mode of discipline and field exercise for the militia 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 system of discipline and field exercise which is and shall be ordered to be observed by the regular army of the United States, in the different corps of infantry, artillery, and riflemen, shall also be observed by the militia, in the exercises and discipline of the said corps, respectively, throughout the United States.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That so much of the act of Congress, approved the 8th day of May, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, as approves and establishes the rules and discipline of the Baron de Steuben, and requires them to be observed by the militia throughout the United States, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

March 12—Approved.

An act for the relief of John D. Carter.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be paid to John D. Carter, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated by law, the sum of five thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven dollars and ninety cents, being that part of the proceeds of certain goods and merchandise, belonging to the said John D. Carter, captured on board the ship Mandarin, and brought into the port of Philadelphia, and there condemned, as prize of war, which were paid into the Treasury of the United States, as the United States' portion of said prize.

Approved—May 8, 1820.

An act for the relief of the heirs of Abijah Hunt and William Gordon Forman.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the heirs of Abijah Hunt and William Gordon Forman be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their claim to fifteen hundred arpens of land, situated on the Mississippi river, near the mouth of Cole's creek, in the state of Mississippi, being the same land which was conveyed to Abijah Hunt and William Gordon Forman, on the 31st day of May, one thousand eight hundred and two, by Charles Norwood, executor of the last will and testament of John Turnbull: *Provided,* nothing in this act shall be so construed as to affect the claim of any other person or persons to the said land, or any part thereof, derived either from the United States or from any other source whatever.

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GEO. ANDERSON, Secy.

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