of June next, all post roads heretofore established by any act of Congress of the United States, shall be and the same are hereby discontinued: Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed so as to affect any existing contracts.

Approved, April 23, 1810.

Chap. XXXI.—An Act to extend the time for locating Virginia military land warrants, and for returning the surveys thereon to the Secretary of the department of War.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the officers and soldiers of the Virginia line on continental establishment, their heirs or assigns, entitled to bounty lands within the tract reserved by Virginia, between the Little Miami and Sciota rivers, for satisfying the legal bounties to her officers and soldiers upon continental establishment, shall be allowed a further term of five years, from and after the passing of this act, to obtain warrants and complete their locations, and a further term of seven years, from and after the passing of this act as aforesaid, to return their surveys and warrants, or certified copies of warrants to the office of the secretary of the war department, any thing in any former act to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided, that no locations as aforesaid, within the above mentioned tract, shall, after the passing of this act, be made on tracts of land for which patents had previously been issued, or which had been previously surveyed; and any patent which may nevertheless be obtained for land located contrary to the provisions of this section, shall be considered as null and void.

Approved, March 16, 1810.

Chap. XXXIII.—An Act providing for the printing and distributing of such Laws of the United States, as respect the Public Lands.

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 cause to be collected into one volume and arranged, the several laws of the United States, resolutions of the Congress under the confederation, treaties and proclamations that have operation and respect to the public lands: and to cause twelve hundred copies to be printed, one of which shall be transmitted to each of the existing land boards of commissioners for settling land claims, and a copy to each of the registers and receivers of public monies of the several land-offices of the United States; and the residue of the said copies shall be preserved for the future disposition of Congress.

Approved, April 27, 1810.

Chap. XXXIV.—An Act providing for the better accommodation of the General Post-office and Patent Office, 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 President of the United States be, and hereby is authorized to erect, or procure by purchase, a building suitable for the accommodation of the general post-office, and of the office of the keeper of the patents, in such situation, and finished in such manner, as the interest of the United States and the safety and convenience of those offices respectively, and the arrangement of the models in the patent office shall, in his opinion, require.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United
States be, and hereby is authorized to cause the city post-office, and the offices of the superintendent and surveyor of the city of Washington, to be immediately removed from the public building west of the President's house; and that he cause to be built within the said public building, as many fire-proof rooms as shall be sufficient for the convenient deposit of all the public papers and records of the United States, belonging to, or in the custody of the state, war or navy departments.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be appropriated for the purposes expressed in this act, out of any monies in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, April 28, 1810.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That any person or persons entitled to land in the district of Vincennes by any former resolution or act of Congress, and who were minors, or did not reside within the