SIXTEENTH CONGRESS. Sess. I. Ch. 127, 131, 132, 133. 1820.

STATUTE I.
May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXVII.—An Act to provide for the expense of surveying certain parts of the coast of North Carolina, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That, for carrying into effect a resolution directing a survey of certain parts of the coast of North Carolina, passed on the nineteenth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, the sum of five thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sums respectively necessary to carry into effect the “Act for the relief of certain persons who have paid duties on certain goods imported into Castine,” approved the eleventh day of April, in the present year, and also the “Act for the relief of Walter Channing,” approved the eleventh day of April aforesaid, shall be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.
May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXXI.—An Act to continue in force the act, entitled “An act to provide for reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court,” approved the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the act, entitled “An act to provide for reports of decisions of the Supreme Court,” approved the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be, and the same is hereby, continued in force for three years and no longer.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

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CHAP. CXXXII.—An Act to amend the act, entitled “An act to amend the act authorizing the employment of an additional naval force.”

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the second section of the act, entitled “An act authorizing the employment of an additional naval force,” passed on the thirty-first day of January, eighteen hundred and nine, be, and the same is hereby, amended, so far as to authorize the enlistment of able seamen, ordinary seamen, and boys, during the continuance of the service or cruise for which they shall be enlisted; not, however, to exceed the period of three years.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

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CHAP. CXXXIII.—An Act to provide for repairing the roof of the general post-office, and to procure an engine for the protection of said building.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General be, and he hereby is, directed to cause the roof of the general post-office to be repaired and covered with slate; and also to procure and keep, for the protection of said building, an engine and apparatus for extinguishing fire, and to cause to be built a suitable house for the safe keeping of such engine.

(a) See notes to the act of March 3, 1817, ch. 63.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That there be, and there is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of the moneys arising from the postage of letters and packets, such sum as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid, not exceeding six thousand and twenty dollars.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

Chap. CXXXIV.—An Act to increase the number of clerks in 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 Secretary of the Department of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to employ six additional clerks in his Department; and that the sum of six thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, for their compensation; to be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated. This act to continue in force for one year, and no longer.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

Chap. CXXXV.—An Act granting to the state of Ohio the right of pre-emption to certain quarter sections of land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That there be granted to the state of Ohio, at the minimum price for which the public lands are sold, the right of pre-emption to one quarter section, in or near the centre of each county, included in the purchase recently made of the Indians, by the treaty concluded at St. Mary's, on the twentieth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, for the establishment of a seat of justice in the said counties: Provided, The purchase be made before the commencement of the public sales: And provided also, That the proceeds of the sale of each quarter section, which may be made under the authority of the state of Ohio, shall be appropriated for the purpose of erecting public buildings in said counties, respectively, after deducting therefrom the sums originally paid by the state aforesaid: And provided further, That the seat of justice for said counties, respectively, shall be fixed on the lands so selected.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

Chap. CXXXVI.—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 and 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 that any of the necessities for 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.