

the seat of government in said territory, and continue not longer than six weeks; and the members of said council shall receive three dollars each per day, during their attendance in council, and three dollars for every twenty miles, to be estimated by the actual distance from the place of residence to the seat of government, and so distinctly certified by the governor of said territory, in going to, and returning from, any meeting of the legislative council, once in each session, and no more; and the first election shall be held on the first Monday of October next, and at such times thereafter, and under such regulations, as the governor and legislative council shall direct.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the members of the legislative council shall not be eligible to any office created during the period of their service, or the fees of which were regulated by laws passed whilst they were members, or for one year thereafter.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for the legislative council to pass any law imposing a higher tax on the lands of non-residents, than those of residents of said territory.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the several acts of which this is an amendment, as may be inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby, repealed; and so much of any of the laws of said territory, as are repugnant to the same, are disapproved and annulled.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That the several acts passed by the governor and legislative council, granting divorces; the four first sections of "An act to amend an act to define crimes," &c. approved December tenth, eighteen hundred and twenty-five; and "An act to prescribe the forms of actions," &c. approved December fifth, eighteen hundred and twenty-five; the act "in addition and amendment of an act to determine fees," &c. approved December ninth, eighteen hundred and twenty-five; and "An act to amend an act regulating judicial proceedings," &c. approved December eighth, eighteen hundred and twenty-five; and "An act to provide, in part, for raising a revenue," approved the ninth of December, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, be, and the same are hereby, disapproved and annulled.

APPROVED, May 15, 1826.

Members of the legislative council not to be eligible to any office, &c.

Taxes.

So much of the several acts of which this is an amendment, &c., repealed.

Acts by the legislative council, &c., disapproved and annulled.

CHAP. XLVII.—*An Act for the sale of a house and lot in New Orleans, and a store house at the Quarantine ground in 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 be, and he is hereby, authorized to sell a house and lot, in Royal street, in the city of New Orleans, heretofore used for the district court of the United States, and a public store-house and lot of land at the Quarantine ground, in the state of Louisiana, whenever, in his opinion, the same shall be deemed expedient.

APPROVED, May 15, 1826.

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Secretary of the Treasury authorized to sell a house and lot, public property, in Royal street in the city of New Orleans.

CHAP. LVI.—*An Act to alter the lines between the land districts in the territory of Michigan.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the boundaries of the southern land district, in the territory of Michigan, as established by the act passed the third of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-three, entitled "An act to establish an additional land office in the territory of Michigan," shall be so altered, as that, from the point where the

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Boundaries of the southern land district, in Michigan, established by the act of March 3, 1823, ch. 52, to be altered.

present boundary line between the third and fourth townships south intersects the meridian line, the boundary of the said district shall run north with the meridian line until it shall intersect the base line, and thence with the said line west to Lake Michigan.

APPROVED, May 16, 1826.

STATUTE J.

May 16, 1826.

CHAP. LIX.—*An Act to extend the time allowed for the redemption of land sold for direct taxes, in certain cases.*

Time allowed for the redemption of lands sold for non-payment of taxes, under several acts extended.

Act of Aug. 2, 1813, ch. 37.

Act of Jan. 9, 1815, ch. 21.

Act of March 5, 1816, ch. 24.

Interest to be paid, &c.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the time allowed for the redemption of lands which have been, or may be, sold for the non-payment of taxes, under the several acts passed on the second of August, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen; the ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, and the fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, for laying and collecting a direct tax within the United States, so far as the same have been purchased for, or on behalf of the United States, be revived and be extended for the further term of two years, from and after the expiration of the present session of Congress: *Provided, also,* That, on such redemption, interest shall be paid at the rate of twenty per centum on the taxes aforesaid, and on the additions of twenty per centum chargeable thereon; and the right of redemption shall enure, as well to the heirs and assignees of the land so purchased on behalf of the United States, as to the original owners thereof.

APPROVED, May 16, 1826.

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CHAP. LXII.—*An Act to confirm certain claims to lands in the district of Opelousas, in Louisiana.*

Claims to lands recommended for confirmation in the report of the register of the land office at Opelousas, in Louisiana, of Oct. 1, 1825, confirmed.

Confirmation to operate only as a relinquishment of the claims 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 several claims to lands, recommended for confirmation in the report of the register of the land office at Opelousas, in the state of Louisiana, dated on the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and which are designated in that report by letter A, and numbered one, two, three, four, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-five, twenty-six, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-four, thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, forty-five, forty-six, forty-seven, forty-eight, fifty-two, fifty-three, fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-six, fifty-nine, sixty, sixty-one, sixty-two, sixty-three, sixty-five, sixty-six, sixty-nine, seventy, seventy-five, seventy-six, seventy-seven, seventy-eight, seventy-nine, eighty, eighty-two, eighty-three, eighty-seven, and ninety, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed agreeably to the said report: *Provided,* That this confirmation shall operate only as a relinquishment of the claim of the United States to the lands hereby confirmed.

APPROVED, May 16, 1826.

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CHAP. LXIV.—*An Act supplementary to "An act for the gradual increase of the navy of the United States."*

Act of April 29, 1816, ch. 138. The President to cause

*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 is hereby authorized to cause the building of one of the