

and to the speaker of the House of Representatives. Fifteen hundred dollars to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Congress shall convene, or shall absent himself before the close of the session, a deduction shall be made from the sum which would otherwise be allowed to him, in proportion to the time of his absence, saving to the cases of sickness the same provisions as are established by existing laws. And the aforesaid allowance shall be certified and paid in the same manner as the daily compensation to members of congress has heretofore been.

APPROVED, March 19, 1816.

STATUTE I.

March 22, 1816. CHAP. XXXI.—*An Act to alter the times of holding the circuit and districts courts of the United States for the district of Vermont. (a)*

Time altered for holding the Courts in the District of Vermont. Circuit Courts in Vermont, vol. i. pp. 74, 217, 475, 517.

Proceedings in said court not to be affected by this change.

Process made returnable in same way as it would have been without the change.

Terms to commence next day if they should happen on a Sunday.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the circuit court of the United States within and for the district of Vermont, instead of the first day of May, shall hereafter be holden on the twenty-first day of May, and the district court of the United States, within and for the said district, instead of the seventh day of May, shall hereafter be holden on the twenty-seventh day of May, at the place now fixed by law for holding the said courts.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all indictments, informations, suits, or actions and proceedings of every kind, whether of a civil or criminal nature, now pending in the said courts, respectively, shall have day in court and be proceeded in, heard, tried, and determined on the days herein appointed for holding the said courts respectively, in the same manner as they might, and ought to have been done, had the said courts been holden respectively on the first and seventh days of May, as heretofore directed by law.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all writs, suits, actions, recognisances, or other proceedings which are or shall be instituted, sued, commenced, had or taken to the said circuit court to have been holden as heretofore on the first day of May next, or to the said district court to have been holden as heretofore on the seventh day of May next, shall be returnable to, entered in, heard, tried, and have day in court in each of the said courts respectively, to be holden at the times herein before directed, in the same manner as might and ought to have been done had the said courts been holden respectively on the first and seventh days of May, as heretofore directed by law.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That if at any time hereafter, the day or days prescribed by this act for holding either of the said courts shall be a Sunday, such court shall commence and be holden on the following day.

APPROVED, March 22, 1816.

STATUTE I.

March 22, 1816. CHAP. XXXII.—*An Act relative to evidence in cases of naturalization. (b)*

Act relating to naturalization, March 26, 1790, ch. 3.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the certificate of report and registry, required as evidence of the time of arrival in the

(a) *Act relating to the Circuit and District Courts of Vermont.*—An act to give effect to the laws of the United States within the state of Vermont. March 2, 1791, ch. 12, sec. 2, 3, 4.

An act to alter the times and places of holding the Circuit Courts for the Eastern District, and in North Carolina, and for other purposes. March 2, 1793, ch. 23, sec. 1.

An act altering the sessions of the Circuit Courts in the districts of Vermont and Rhode Island, and for other purposes. May 27, 1796, ch. 34, sec. 3, 1797, ch. 27, sec. 1.

An act concerning the Circuit Courts of the United States. March 3, 1797, ch. 27, sect. 1.

An act to amend the judicial system of the United States. April 29, 1802, ch. 31, sec. 4.

An act to alter the times of holding the Circuit and District Courts of the United States for the state of Vermont. March 22, 1816, ch. 31.

An act to alter the times of holding the District Court of the United States for the district of Vermont. March 3, 1823, ch. 44.

(b) See notes of the acts relating to naturalization, vol. i, 103.

United States, according to the second section of the act of the fourteenth of April, one thousand eight hundred and two, entitled "An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on this subject;" and also a certificate from the proper clerk or prothonotary, of the declaration of intention, made before a court of record, and required as the first condition, according to the first section of said act, shall be exhibited by every alien on his application to be admitted a citizen of the United States, in pursuance of said act, who shall have arrived within the limits, and under the jurisdiction of the United States since the eighteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and shall each be recited at full length, in the record of the court, admitting such alien; otherwise he shall not be deemed to have complied with the conditions requisite for becoming a citizen of the United States, and any pretended admission of an alien, who shall have arrived within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States, since the said eighteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, to be a citizen after the promulgation of this act, without such recital of each certificate at full length, shall be of no validity or effect under the act aforesaid.

SEC. 2. *Provided, and be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to exclude from admission to citizenship, any free white person who was residing within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States at any time between the eighteenth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, and the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and two, and who, having continued to reside therein without having made any declaration of intention before a court of record as aforesaid, may be entitled to become a citizen of the United States according to the act of the twenty-sixth of March, one thousand eight hundred and four, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled 'An act to establish an uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the act heretofore passed on that subject.'" Whenever any person without a certificate of such declaration of intention, as aforesaid, shall make application to be admitted a citizen of the United States, it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the court, that the applicant was residing within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States, before the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and two, and has continued to reside within the same, or he shall not be so admitted. And the residence of the applicant within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States for at least five years immediately preceding the time of such application shall be proved by the oath or affirmation of citizens of the United States; which citizens shall be named in the record as witnesses. And such continued residence within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States, when satisfactorily proved, and the place or places where the applicant has resided for at least five years, as aforesaid, shall be stated and set forth, together with the names of such citizens in the record of the court admitting the applicant: otherwise the same shall not entitle him to be considered and deemed a citizen of the United States.

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January 29,  
1795, vol. 1. 414.

Evidence to be exhibited by aliens to become citizens of the United States.

Act of April 14, 1802, ch. 28.

Admissions without a recital of the proceeding, of no validity.

Rights of persons heretofore settled in the United States between the 18th June, 1798, and 14th April, 1802.

Act of March 26, 1804, ch. 47.

Residence of the applicant to be naturalized.

Certificate of naturalization.

STATUTE I.

March 25, 1816.

[Obsolete.]  
Secretary of State to subscribe for a certain number of copies of Wait & Son's state

CHAP. XXXIII.—*An Act authorizing a subscription for the printing of a second edition of the public documents. (a)*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of State be, and is hereby authorized to subscribe for and receive, for the use and disposal of Congress, five hundred copies of the second and improved

(a) Publication and printing of the laws of the United States, vol. i. 443, 496, 724.