SUM of 18,400 dollars, appropriated.

STATUTE II.

March 2, 1827.

CHAP. LI.—An Act to grant a quantity of land to the state of Illinois, for the purpose of aiding in opening a canal to connect the waters of the Illinois river with those of Lake Michigan. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and hereby is, granted to the state of Illinois, for the purpose of aiding the said state in opening a canal to unite the waters of the Illinois river with those of Lake Michigan, a quantity of land equal to one half of five sections in width, on each side of said canal, and reserving each alternate section to the United States, to be selected by the commissioner of the land office, under the direction of the President of the United States, from one end of the said canal to the other; and the said lands shall be subject to the disposal of the legislature of the said state, for the purpose aforesaid, and no other: Provided, That the said canal, when completed, shall be and forever remain, a public highway for the use of the government of the United States, free from any toll, or other charge, whatever, for any property of the United States, or persons in their service, passing through the same: Provided, That said canal shall be commenced within five years, and completed in twenty years, or the state shall be bound to pay to the United States the amount of any lands previously sold, and that the title to purchasers under the state shall be valid.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That, so soon as the route of the said canal shall be located and agreed on by the said state, it shall be the duty of the governor thereof, or such other person or persons as may have been, or shall hereafter be, authorized to superintend the construction of said canal, to examine and ascertain the particular sections to which the said state will be entitled, under the provisions of this act, and report the same to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said state, under the authority of the legislature thereof, after the selection shall have been so made, shall have power to sell and convey the whole, or any part of the said land, and to give a title in fee simple therefor, to whomsoever shall purchase the whole, or any part thereof.

APPROVED, March 2, 1827.

STATUTE II.

March 2, 1827.

CHAP. LII.—An Act to authorize the state of Indiana to locate and make a road therein named.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the general assembly of the state of Indiana shall be, and the same are hereby, authorized to locate and make a road from Lake Michigan, by the way of Indianapolis,

(a) An act to authorize the state of Illinois to open a canal through the public lands to connect the Illinois river with Lake Michigan. March 30, 1822, ch. 14.

An act to amend an act entitled “An act to grant a quantity of land to the state of Illinois for the purpose of aiding in opening a canal to connect the waters of the Illinois river with those of Lake Michigan and to allow further time to the state of Ohio, for commencing the Miami canal from Dayton to Lake Erie,” March 2, 1833, ch. 87.
to some convenient point on the Ohio river, agreeably to the second article of a treaty made and concluded near the mouth of the Mississinowa, upon the Wabash, in the state of Indiana, the sixteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, between the commissioners on the part of the United States, and the chiefs and warriors of the Potawatamie tribe of Indians; and the said general assembly are hereby authorized to apply the strip of land and the sections of land, by said article ceded to the United States, or the proceeds thereof, to the making of the same; and the said grant shall be at their sole disposal.

Approved, March 2, 1827.

Chap. LIII.—An Act concerning a seminary of learning in the territory of Arkansas.

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 set apart and reserve from sale, out of any of the public lands within the territory of Arkansas, to which the Indian title has been, or may be, extinguished, and not otherwise appropriated, a quantity of land not exceeding two entire townships, for the use and support of an university within the said territory and for no other use or purpose whatsoever; to be located in tracts of land of not less than an entire section, corresponding with any of the legal divisions into which the public lands are authorized to be surveyed, one of which said townships, so set apart and reserved from sale, shall be in lieu of an entire township of land directed to be located on the waters of the Arkansas river in said territory, for the use of a seminary of learning therein, by an act of Congress, entitled “An act making provision for the establishment of additional land offices in the territory of Missouri,” approved February the seventeenth, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

Approved, March 2, 1827.

Chap. LV.—An Act to authorize the importation of brandy in casks of a capacity not less than fifteen gallons, and the exportation of the same for the benefit of a drawback of the duties.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That, from and after the passage of this act, brandy may be imported into the United States, in casks of a capacity not less than fifteen gallons, any thing in any law to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided, however, That all the provisions of existing laws, not inconsistent with this act, relating to the importation of foreign spirits, be complied with: And provided further, That all brandy imported in casks of a capacity less than ninety gallons, shall be deposited, at the expense and risk of the importer, in such public or other ware-houses as shall be designated by the collector or surveyor, for the port where the same is to be landed, and shall be removed therefrom in the manner prescribed by an act, entitled “An act providing for the deposit of wines and distilled spirits in public ware-houses, and for other purposes.”

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That brandy imported in casks of a capacity not less than fifteen gallons, may be exported for the benefit of a drawback of the duties which shall have been paid thereon; and the exporter or exporters of brandy so imported shall be entitled to receive a debenture or debentures, for the amount of such drawback, agreeably to the

Michigan, by the way of Indianapolis to some convenient point on the Ohio river.