

On failure to comply with provisions of this act, lands to be offered for sale.

All agreements or acts having for object to prevent any one from bidding upon or purchasing public lands, prohibited.

Penalty.

All agreements to the effect that one person shall pay to another, a premium of any kind upon the price at which lands of the U. S. may be bid off by the latter, to be null and void.

Any premium paid in consequence of such agreement may be recovered.

Discovery may be enforced by bill in equity.

Proviso: suit to be commenced within six years.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That, on failure to apply for, and show a right of pre-emption, under the second section of this act, within the time allowed therefor; and also on failure to complete the payment on any of the lands, agreeably to the provisions of this act, within the period allowed for that purpose, in either case, the whole of such lands shall be forthwith offered for sale without delay.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons shall, before or at the time of the public sale of any of the lands of the United States, bargain, contract or agree, or shall attempt to bargain, contract, or agree with any other person or persons, that the last named person or persons, shall not bid upon, or purchase the land so offered for sale, or any parcel thereof, or shall by intimidation, combination, or unfair management, hinder or prevent, or attempt to hinder or prevent any person or persons from bidding upon or purchasing any tract or tracts of land so offered for sale, every such offender, his, her, or their aiders and abettors, being thereof duly convicted, shall, for every such offence, be fined not exceeding one thousand dollars, or imprisoned not exceeding two years, or both in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons, shall, before, or at the time of the public sale of any of the lands of the United States, enter into any contract, bargain, agreement, or secret understanding with any other person or persons, proposing to purchase such land, to pay or give to such purchasers for such land, a sum of money, or other article of property, over and above the price at which the land may or shall be bid off by such purchasers, every such contract, bargain, agreement, or secret understanding, and every bond, obligation, or writing of any kind whatsoever founded upon, or growing out of the same, shall be utterly null and void. And any person or persons being a party to such contract, bargain, agreement, or secret understanding, who shall or may pay to such purchasers, any sum of money or other article of property, as aforesaid, over and above the purchase money of such land, may sue for, and recover such excess from such purchasers in any court having jurisdiction of the same. And if the party aggrieved, have no legal evidence of such contract, bargain, agreement, or secret understanding, or of the payment of the excess aforesaid, he may, by bill in equity, compel such purchasers to make discovery thereof; and if in such case, the complainant shall ask for relief, the court in which the bill is pending, may proceed to final decree between the parties to the same; *Provided*, every such suit either in law or equity shall be commenced within six years next, after the sale of said land by the United States.

APPROVED, March 31, 1830.

STATUTE I.

March 31, 1830.

Port of entry changed from Nova Iberia to Franklin.

CHAP. XLIX.—*An Act to change the port of entry from Nova Iberia to Franklin, in the state of Louisiana.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That hereafter, the port of entry in the district of Teche, in the state of Louisiana, shall be at Franklin, instead of Nova Iberia, in said district; and the collector thereof shall hereafter reside at said Franklin.

APPROVED, March 31, 1830.

STATUTE I.

March 31, 1830.

Collector of Burlington.

CHAP. L.—*An Act changing the residence of the collector in the district of Burlington, in the state of New Jersey.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That hereafter, the collector of

the district of Burlington, in the state of New Jersey, shall reside at Lambertton instead of Burlington, in said district.

APPROVED, March 31, 1830.

CHAP. LII.—*An Act to change the time and place of holding the court for the county of Crawford, 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 term of the court appointed to be held, annually, on the second Monday in May, at the village of Prairie du Chien, by the additional judge of the United States for the territory of Michigan, shall be held on the first Monday in October, annually, at Mineral Point, in the county of Iowa, in the said territory; and the cases which shall be pending in the said court on the second Monday in May next, shall be tried and determined at the time and place above designated, in the county of Iowa; and the clerk and sheriff of said county shall be the clerk and sheriff of this court; and its jurisdiction shall be and continue the same as if said county of Crawford had not been divided.

APPROVED, April 2, 1830.

STATUTE I.

April 2, 1830.

Time and place of holding a court in Michigan changed from 2d Monday in May, at Prairie du Chien, to 1st Monday in October, at Mineral Point.

CHAP. LIX.—*An Act amending and supplementary to the act to aid the state of Ohio in extending the Miami canal from Dayton to Lake Erie, and to grant a quantity of land to said state, to aid in the construction of the canals authorized by law, and for making donations of land to certain persons in Arkansas territory.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That so much of the act, approved May twenty-fourth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, entitled "An act to aid the state of Ohio in extending the Miami canal from Dayton to Lake Erie, and to grant a quantity of land to said state, to aid in the construction of the canals authorized by law, and for making donations of land to certain persons in Arkansas territory," as provides that the extension of the Miami canal shall be completed within twenty years, or that the state shall be bound to pay to the United States the amount of any land previously sold, be, and the same is hereby, repealed: *Provided,* That if the state of Ohio shall apply the said lands, or the proceeds of the sales, or any part thereof, to any other use whatever, than in the extension of the Miami canal, before the same shall have been completed, the said grant, for all lands unsold, shall thereby become null and void, and the said state of Ohio shall become liable and bound to pay to the United States, the amount for which said land, or any part thereof, may have been sold, deducting the expenses incurred in selling the same: *And provided also,* That it shall be lawful for the legislature of said state to appropriate the proceeds of the land so granted, either in extending the said Miami canal from Dayton to Lake Erie, or in the construction of a rail-road, from the termination of the said canal, at Dayton, towards the said lake.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That, whenever the line of the said canal, to be extended as aforesaid, from Dayton to the Maumee river, at the mouth of Auglaize, shall pass over land sold by the United States, it shall be lawful for the governor of the state of Ohio to locate other lands in lieu of the land so sold: *Provided,* such locations shall not exceed the number of acres necessary to complete an aggregate quantity, equal to one half of five sections in width, on each side of said extended canal.

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STATUTE I.

April 2, 1830.

Provision of Act of May 24, 1828, ch. 108, repealed.

Proviso: State of Ohio not to apply the land to, &c.

Penalty.

Proviso.

When line of said canal passes over land sold by the U. States, governor of Ohio may locate other lands.

Proviso.