

STATUTE I.

July 4, 1832.

CHAP. CLXXII.—*An Act to authorize the governor of the territory of Arkansas to select ten sections of land, granted to said territory for the purpose of building a legislative house for said territory, and for other purposes.*

Governor to select land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all the authority and power is hereby vested in, and given to the governor of the territory of Arkansas, which was vested in, and given to the legislature of the territory of Arkansas, by an act of Congress of the second of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, by which a quantity of land not exceeding ten sections, was granted to said territory for the purpose of raising a fund for the erection of a public building at Little Rock, the seat of government of said territory.

1831, ch. 67.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as authorizing any expense on the part of the United States for selecting said lands, or building said house, other than the aforesaid grant of ten sections of the unappropriated public lands.

United States not liable for expense in selecting, &c.

APPROVED, July 4, 1832.

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CHAP. CLXXIII.—*An Act to provide for liquidating and paying certain claims of the state of Virginia.*

Accounts of Virginia for payments to officers of Virginia line in revolutionary war, &c., authorized to be paid.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury do liquidate and pay the accounts of the commonwealth of Virginia against the United States, for payments to the officers commanding in the Virginia line in the war of the revolution, on account of half-pay for life promised the officers aforesaid by that commonwealth, the sum of one hundred and thirty-nine thousand five hundred and forty-three dollars and sixty-six cents.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, required and directed to pay to the state of Virginia the amount of the judgments which have been rendered against the said state, for and on account of the promise contained in an act passed by the general assembly of the state of Virginia in the month of May, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine, and in favour of the officers or representatives of officers of the regiments and corps hereinafter recited, and not exceeding, in the whole, the sum of two hundred and forty-one thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars, to wit:

Secretary of the Treasury to pay Virginia the amount of judgments rendered against her in favour of certain revolutionary officers.

First. To the officers, or their legal representatives, of the regiment commanded by the late Colonel George Gibson, the amount of the judgments which they have obtained, and which are now unsatisfied.

Second. To the officers, or their legal representatives, of the regiment denominated the second state regiment, commanded, at times, by Colonels Brent and Dabney, the amount of the judgments which they have obtained, and which are now unsatisfied.

Third. To the officers, or their legal representatives, of the regiments of Colonels Clark and Crockett, and Captain Roger's troop of cavalry, who were employed in the Illinois service, the amount of the judgments which they have obtained, and which are now unsatisfied.

Fourth. To the officers, or their legal representatives, serving in the regiment of state artillery commanded by the late Colonel Marshall, and those serving in the state garrison regiment commanded by Colonel Muter, and serving in the state cavalry commanded by Major Nelson, the amount of the judgments which they have obtained, and which are now unsatisfied.

Fifth. To the officers, or their legal representatives, who served in the

Secretary of the Treasury to settle claims for half-pay to revolutionary officers.

navy of Virginia during the war of the revolution, the amount of the judgments which they have obtained, and which are now unsatisfied.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby directed and required, to adjust and settle those claims for half pay of the officers of the aforesaid regiments and corps, which have not been paid or prosecuted to judgments against the state of Virginia, and for which said state would be bound on the principles of the half-pay cases already decided in the supreme court of appeals of said state; which several sums of money herein directed to be settled or paid shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated by law.

APPROVED, July 5, 1832.

STATUTE I.

July 9, 1832.

CHAP. CLXXIV.—*An Act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of Indian Affairs, and for other purposes. (a)*

Commissioner of Indian affairs to be appointed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a commissioner of Indian affairs, who shall, under the direction of the Secretary of War, and agreeably to such regulations as the President may, from time to time, prescribe, have the direction and management of all Indian affairs, and of all matters arising out of Indian relations, and shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars per annum.

Salary.

Clerks.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of War shall arrange or appoint to the said office the number of clerks necessary therefor, so as not to increase the number now employed; and such sum as is necessary to pay the salary of said commissioner for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, shall be, and the same hereby is, appropriated out of any money in the treasury.

Pay of commissioner for the year 1832.

Accounts, &c., to be transmitted to commissioner, &c.

Communications to be free of postage.

March 3, 1845, ch. 43, sec. 1.

Ardent spirits prohibited.

Unnecessary agencies, &c., to be discontinued.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all accounts and vouchers for claims and disbursements connected with Indian affairs, shall be transmitted to the said commissioner for administrative examination, and by him passed to the proper accounting officer of the Treasury Department for settlement; and all letters and packages to and from the said commissioner, touching the business of his office, shall be free of postage.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That no ardent spirits shall be hereafter introduced, under any pretence, into the Indian country.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of War shall, under the direction of the President, cause to be discontinued the services of such agents, sub-agents, interpreters, and mechanics, as may, from time to time, become unnecessary, in consequence of the emigration of the Indians, or other causes.

APPROVED, July 9, 1832.

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CHAP. CLXXV.—*An Act to enable the President to extinguish Indian title within the state of Indiana, Illinois, and territory of Michigan.*

Appropriation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of holding Indian treaties, and of finally extinguishing Indian title, within the state of Indiana, and so much of the lands of the Pattawatamies as lies in the state of Illinois and territory of Michigan.

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(a) Notes of the acts for the preservation of peace with the Indian tribes, vol. ii. p. 6.
Notes of regulations of intercourse and trade with the Indian tribes, vol. ii. p. 139.
Notes of the decisions of the Supreme Court on the laws and treaties with the Indians, vol. ii. p. 141.
Notes of obsolete acts relating to trading houses with the Indians, vol. ii. p. 652.