goods or merchandise imported into the United States, and exported from said port of Lafayette, under the regulations aforesaid, shall be entitled to the benefit of drawback of the duties, upon exportation to any foreign port or place, under the same provisions, regulations, restrictions, and limitations, as if the said goods, wares, and merchandise had been exported directly from New Orleans.

Approved, June 12, 1844.

CHAP. XLVII. — An Act relating to the unlading of foreign merchandise on the right bank of the river Mississippi, opposite New Orleans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Treasury, under such rules and regulations as he shall prescribe, to permit salt imported from foreign places to be unladed on the right bank of the river Mississippi opposite the city of New Orleans, at any point on said right bank between the upper and lower corporate limits of the municipalities of said city.

Approved, June 12, 1844.

CHAP. XLIX. — An Act for repairing the roof of the court-house in Alexandria.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, for covering the roof of the United States court-house in Alexandria, District of Columbia, with tin; and that the same shall be expended, or so much of it as may be necessary, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, who is authorized to contract for the same.

Approved, June 15, 1844.

CHAP. L. — An Act granting a section of land for the improvement of Grant river at the town of Potosi, in Wisconsin Territory.

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 Territory of Wisconsin, section number thirty-four, in township number three north, in range number three west, of the fourth principal meridian in the said Territory, for the purpose of improving Grant river, known as the Grant Slue, at the town of Potosi, in the said Territory, and for no other use or purpose whatever: and the said land shall be surveyed, and divided into lots, and shall be sold and disposed of in such manner, and under such regulations and restrictions, as the Legislature of the said Territory shall establish: Provided, That in disposing of the same, pre-emption rights shall be granted to actual settlers and occupants residing on said lots, at the time of the passage of this act, according to the provisions and restrictions in the next section provided.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Surveyor General of Wisconsin and Iowa, shall appoint three disinterested commissioners, whose duty it shall be to view and examine all the lots which are actually occupied and improved, and assess the true value of said lots, without taking into the estimation, any of the improvements on the same; and the occupants of said lots, by paying, within one year from the passage
of this act, the assessed value as aforesaid of their respective lots, shall be entitled to the right of pre-emption as aforesaid; and upon the failure of any, or all said occupants to do so, the said lot or lots to the extent of such failure, shall be sold as other lots in said town: Provided, That the said occupants may at any time before said lots are sold, pay the assessed value and thereby save their right of pre-emption aforesaid: And provided further, That the said commissioners aforesaid shall, before they enter upon their duties as such, be sworn faithfully to discharge their duties according to the provisions of this act; and they shall receive a compensation for their services to be prescribed by the Legislature of said Territory: Provided, That the whole compensation to said commissioners shall not exceed the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars.

APPROVED, June 15, 1844.

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June 15, 1844. CHAP. LI. - An act relating to certain collection districts, and for other purposes.

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, the districts of Ipswich, Massachusetts, St. Mary's, and Snow Hill, Maryland, Folly Landing and East River, Virginia, and Sunbury, Hardwich, and Brunswick, Georgia, shall be and hereby are, abolished as separate collection districts, and shall hereafter be annexed to other districts, as follows, that is to say: Ipswich, to the district of Newburyport; St. Mary's, Maryland, to Annapolis; Snow Hill, to Vienna; Folly Landing, to Cherrystone; East River, to Yorktown; Sunbury and Hardwick to Savannah; and Brunswick, to St. Mary's, Georgia: Provided, That the following places shall be, and are hereby, constituted ports of delivery, at each or any of which the President of the United States is authorized (if deemed necessary for the public interests) to appoint surveyors of the customs, to wit: At Ipswich, Massachusetts; St. Mary's and Snow Hill, Maryland; Sunbury, Hardwick, and Brunswick, Georgia; at or near Folly Landing, East River, Virginia: And provided, That the following mentioned ports of delivery are hereby discontinued, and the office of surveyor established at said ports, respectively, is hereby abolished, to wit: Chester and Nanjemoy, Maryland; South Quay, Virginia; Hertford, Murfreesborough, and Swansborough, North Carolina: And provided, also, That the office of assistant collector, to reside at the town of Jersey, in the State of New Jersey, authorized by the act approved March two, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, is hereby abolished.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the passage of this act, the town of Shieldsborough, on the bay of St. Louis, in the State of Mississippi, shall be the port of entry for the district of Pearl River, and the collector of said district shall reside at said Shieldsborough; and the present port of entry at Pearlington, in said district, shall cease to be the port of entry: Provided, That Pearlington for said district, shall be, and hereby is, constituted a port of delivery.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the name of the district hereinafter mentioned shall be changed, and bear the following name, that is to say, Mississippi to be called the district of New Orleans.

APPROVED, June 15, 1844.