

from the judgments, orders, or decrees of the district courts to the circuit courts of the United States.

Circuit judge may sit in district court, in cases of land claims.

1851, ch. 41.

1852, ch. 108.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the judge appointed under this act shall, from time to time, or at any time when in his opinion the business of his own court will permit, and that of the courts of the northern and southern districts of California shall require, form part of, and preside over, the said district courts when either of them is engaged in the discharge of the appellate jurisdiction vested in it over the decisions of the board of commissioners for the settlement of private land claims in the State of California, under the act of Congress entitled "An act to ascertain and settle the private land claims in the State of California," passed March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and by another act entitled "An act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, and for other purposes," passed thirty-first of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-two; and it shall be the duty of the clerks of the respective district courts of California to give thirty days' written notice to the judge of the court organized under this act, of the time and place of the sitting of such district court for the discharge of such appellate jurisdiction; and in case the judge of such district court shall fail, from sickness or other casualty, to attend at such time and place, the judge of the court organized under this act, is hereby authorized to hold said court, and proceed with the business of the court, in accordance with the provisions prescribed for the regulation of said district court in the act of Congress hereinbefore referred to; and all appeals to the Supreme Court of the United States from the decisions of said district court, whether held by the last-mentioned judge, or by him in conjunction with the district judge, or by the district judge alone, shall be taken in the manner prescribed by the act of Congress passed on the third day of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, entitled "An act to ascertain and settle the private land claims in the State of California."

Appeals in such cases to supreme court.

1851, ch. 41.

Salary of judge.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the salary of the judge appointed under this act shall be four thousand five hundred dollars per annum, to commence from the date of his appointment.

Conflicting acts repealed.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That all laws and parts of laws militating against this act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, March 2, 1855.

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CHAP. CXLIII. — *An Act changing the Times of holding the United States Courts in Tennessee.*

Terms of circuit and district courts in Tennessee.

1839, ch. 8.
1842, ch. 30.
1843, ch. 74.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That instead of the times heretofore fixed by law, the circuit and district courts of the United States for the several districts in Tennessee shall hereafter be held as follows: At Jackson, on the third Mondays in March and September; at Knoxville, on the second Mondays in April and October; and at Nashville, on the first Mondays in May and November. And all writs, pleas, suits, recognizances, indictments, or other proceedings, civil or criminal, issued, commenced, or pending in either of said courts, shall be returnable to, be entered, and have day in court, and be heard and tried according to the times of holding said courts as herein provided.

APPROVED, March 2, 1855.

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1854, ch. 269.

CHAP. CXLIV. — *An Act to amend "An Act to carry into Effect a Treaty between the United States and Great Britain," signed on the fifth June, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and approved August fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United

States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the date when the reciprocity treaty of the fifth June, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, entered into between Great Britain and the United States, shall go into effect, the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and he is hereby, authorized and required, to refund out of any money in the treasury, to the several persons entitled thereto, such sums of money as shall have been collected as duties, on "fish of all kinds, the products of fish, and of all other creatures living in the water," imported into the United States from and after the eleventh day of September, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, the date of the promulgation by the President of the United States of the reciprocity treaty aforesaid, on proof, satisfactory to the said secretary, that the articles aforesaid were the products of some one of the British provinces of New Brunswick, Canada, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, or Prince Edward's Island, and imported therefrom into the United States, and duties duly paid thereon, which have not been refunded on export; and he is further authorized and required, from and after the day the treaty aforesaid shall go into effect, to cancel, on like satisfactory proof, any warehouse bonds to secure the duties, that may have been given for any of said articles imported as aforesaid.

Refunding of duties already paid on fish.

Cancellation of bonds.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That from and after the date when the reciprocity treaty of the fifth June, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, entered into between Great Britain and the United States, shall go into effect, in the manner therein prescribed, the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to refund out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the persons entitled thereto, such sums of money as shall have been collected as duties on any of the articles enumerated in the schedule annexed to the third article of the reciprocity treaty aforesaid, imported into the United States from the British provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, respectively, since the date of the acts of their respective governments admitting like articles into said provinces from the United States free of duty, on proof, satisfactory to the said secretary, that the articles so imported were the products of Canada, New Brunswick, or Nova Scotia, as the case may be, and imported therefrom into the United States, and that the duties were duly paid thereon; and he is further authorized and required to cancel, from and after the date the treaty aforesaid shall go into effect, on like satisfactory proof, any warehouse bonds to secure duties which may have been given for any of the said articles imported as aforesaid. And the Secretary of the Treasury is also hereby invested with the same authority and power to refund the duties or cancel the warehouse bonds on any of the articles enumerated in said treaty, the produce of Prince Edward's Island or Newfoundland, respectively, on said treaty going into operation, should it be proved, to the satisfaction of the said secretary, that Prince Edward's Island, or Newfoundland, have admitted all of the articles enumerated in said treaty from the United States, free of duty, prior to said treaty going into operation.

Refunding of duties on other articles.

Cancellation of bonds.

APPROVED, March 2, 1855.

CHAP. CXLV. — *An Act authorizing the Corporate Authorities of Georgetown to impose Additional Taxes, and for other Purposes.* March 2, 1855.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the mayor, recorder, aldermen, and common council, of Georgetown, bc, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to lay and collect a special annual tax of seventy-five cents, or so much thereof as may be necessary, upon every hundred dollars of property by law now taxable within the corporate limits of said town, and all money vested or held in any banking, insurance, brokerage, or exchange company or institution, upon all State or

Tax authorized in Georgetown to secure subscription to the Metropolitan R. R.