

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the officers, non-commissioned officers, seamen, and marines, belonging to the navy of the United States, shall be governed by the rules for the regulations of the navy heretofore established by the resolution of Congress of the twenty-eighth of November, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five, as far as the same may be applicable to the constitution and laws of the United States, or by such rules and articles as may hereafter be established.

By what rules to be governed.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the appointment of the officers to the frigates may be made by the President alone in the recess of the Senate; and their commissions, if so appointed, shall continue in force till the advice and consent of the Senate can be had thereupon at their next meeting which may happen thereafter.

The President may make the appointments alone, in recess of the Senate.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the seamen and marines shall not be engaged to serve on board the frigates, for a period exceeding one year; but the President may discharge the same sooner if in his judgment their services may be dispensed with.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That if any officer, non-commissioned officer, marine or seaman belonging to the navy of the United States, shall be wounded or disabled, while in the line of his duty in public service, he shall be placed on the list of the invalids of the United States, at such rate of pay and under such regulations as shall be directed by the President of the United States: *Provided always*, that the rate of compensation to be allowed for such wounds or disabilities to a commissioned or warrant officer shall never exceed for the highest disability half the monthly pay of such officer at the time of his being so disabled or wounded; and that the rate of compensation to non-commissioned officers, marines and seamen, shall never exceed five dollars per month: *And provided also*, that all inferior disabilities shall entitle the person so disabled to receive an allowance proportionate to the highest disability.

Term of service.

Provision in case of wounds.

Limitation of the compensation in case of wounds.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized, if circumstances should hereafter arise, which in his opinion may render it expedient, to increase the strength of the several revenue cutters, so that the number of men employed do not exceed thirty marines and seamen to each cutter; and cause the said revenue cutters to be employed to defend the sea coast, and to repel any hostility to their vessels and commerce, within their jurisdiction, having due regard to the duty of the said cutters, in the protection of the revenue.

President may increase the strength of the cutters.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That the compensations established by the first section of the act passed on the sixth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, entitled "An act making further provision relative to the revenue cutters," be, and the same is hereby continued and confirmed, on the terms and conditions of the said act, to the mariners and marines, who are or may be employed as aforesaid.

Act making compensation to their officers and men, continued.

1796, ch. 22.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall continue in force for the term of one year, and from thence to the end of the then next session of Congress and no longer.

Limitation of this act.

APPROVED, July 1, 1797.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. VIII.—*An Act to ascertain the time for the next meeting of Congress, and to repeal the act heretofore passed for that purpose.*

July 1, 1797.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That after the end of the present session, the next meeting of Congress shall be on the second Monday of November in the present year.

Congress to meet second Monday in Nov. 1797.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the act intituled "An act

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to alter the time for the next meeting of Congress," passed on the third day of March last, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

APPROVED, July 1, 1797.

STATUTE I.

July 5, 1797.

CHAP. IX.—*An Act for reviving and continuing suits and process in the Circuit Court for the district of North Carolina.*

[Obsolete.]

WHEREAS, a sufficient quorum of judges did not attend to hold the circuit court, for the district of North Carolina, for the purpose of doing business in June term, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven; in consequence whereof, certain provisions are now become necessary and expedient, to prevent a failure of justice in the said court:

SECTION 1. *Be it therefore enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That it shall and may be lawful, for the district judge of the state of North Carolina, to direct the clerk of the said court, to issue such process for the purpose of causing persons to be summoned to serve as jurymen at the said court, at the term to commence the thirtieth day of November next, as has been before issued by the clerk of the said court for the like purpose, returnable to June term, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven; that the persons ordered by the said process to be summoned for the said purpose, shall be ordered to be summoned in the same proportion, and from the same counties, as those persons who were ordered to be summoned for the like purpose, by process returnable at June term, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven: *Provided,* that if it shall appear expedient to the said district judge, that a different time of notice shall be prescribed, than that hitherto prescribed, he may cause such other time of notice to be directed to be given, as to him shall appear most conducive to justice, and convenient to the persons to be summoned. And the marshal is hereby directed to execute the said process, so to be issued; and the persons who shall be legally summoned to attend as jurymen, in consequence thereof, are hereby required to attend the said court, under the like penalties for disobedience, as if the said process had been ordered to be issued by the said court, in the ordinary method of proceeding: And the marshal and the persons who shall attend as jurymen, in virtue of the said process, so to be issued, shall be entitled to the like allowances for their services, respectively.

How district judge of Carolina, shall cause jury men to be summoned for Nov. term.

Proviso.

Marshal to execute process.

How suits and proceedings shall be proceeded on.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all suits and proceedings, of what nature or kind soever, which have been commenced in the said court, and not finished, shall be proceeded on at the ensuing term, in the same manner, and to the same effect, as if the said circuit court had been regularly held for the purpose of business in June term, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, and continuances had been regularly entered, of all suits and proceedings in the said term, in which they were depending, in the usual manner of proceeding, as the case might be.

All writs, &c. deemed of same validity as if June term had been regularly held.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all writs and other process sued out of the clerk's office of the said circuit court, according to the accustomed method, bearing test in November term, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, or June term, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, shall be held and deemed of the same validity and effect as if the term of June, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, had been regularly held by a judge or judges competent to do business, and continuances in respect to writs or other process returnable to the last mentioned term, had been regularly entered.

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