

No. 182. An Act relative to the impressment of slaves.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That in executing any law authorizing the impressment of slaves, or under which an enrollment of slaves subject to Government service may be ordered, the Secretary of War may omit any district of country near the enemy's lines, when in his opinion such impressment or enrollment cannot be made without causing slaves to escape in large numbers to the enemy.

Approved, March 16, 1865.

[Text from original bill in The National Archives.]

No. 183. An Act to establish a post route therein named.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the following post route be, and the same is hereby established in the State of Mississippi from Philadelphia, in the county of Neshoba, to De Kalb, in the county of Kemper.

Approved, March 16, 1865.

[Text from enrolled act in Duke University Library.]

No. 184. An Act to amend "an act providing for the establishment and payment of claims for a certain description of property taken or informally impressed for the use of the army" approved fourteenth June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the said act be so amended as to authorize the agents therein designated to continue their investigation from day to day; to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documentary evidence by the usual process, either through the sheriff of the county or some person specially appointed for that purpose by the said agents, who shall receive for their [*sic*] services the allowance made to sheriffs in the several citations; but all expenses for summoning witnesses shall be defrayed by the claimants, unless witnesses are cited on the part of the government in which case they shall be paid