Military to aid the civil officers. authorized for that purpose, and having a lawful warrant, to aid and assist such magistrate, officer, or other person authorized, as aforesaid, in arresting such offender, and him committing to safe custody, for trial according to law.

Amount of fines and duration of imprisonment discretionary, &c. SEC. 18. And be it further enacted, That the amount of fines, and duration of imprisonment, directed by this act as a punishment, for the violation of any of the provisions thereof, shall be ascertained and fixed, not exceeding the limits prescribed, in the discretion of the court, before whom the trial shall be had; and that all fines and forfeitures, which shall accrue under this act, shall be, one half to the use of the informant, and the other half to the use of the United States: Except where the prosecution shall be first instituted on behalf of the United States; in which case, the whole shall be to their use.

To whose use the forfeitures shall be.

Sec. 19. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent any trade or intercourse with Indians living on lands surrounded by settlements of the citizens of the United States, and being within the ordinary jurisdiction of any of the individual states; or the unmolested use of a road from Washington district, to Mero district; and of the navigation of the Tennessee river, as reserved and secured by treaty.

Certain trade and intercourse excepted.

SEC. 20. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized, to cause to be clearly ascertained, and distinctly marked, in all such places as he shall deem necessary, and in such manner as he shall direct, any other boundary lines between the United States and any Indian tribe, which now are, or hereafter may be established by treaty.

Certain roads excepted.

The President may cause to be

other boundary

ascertained

lines.

established by tre

pealed.

Proviso.

SEC. 21. And be it further enacted, That all and every other act and acts, coming within the purview of this act, shall be, and they are hereby repealed: Provided, nevertheless, that all disabilities, that have taken place, shall continue and remain; all penalties and forfeitures, that have been incurred, may be recovered; and all prosecutions and suits, that may have been commenced, may be prosecuted to final judgment, under the said act or acts, in the same manner, as if the said act or acts were continued, and in full force and virtue.

Limitation of

this act.

Sec. 22. And be it further enacted, That this act shall be in force, for the term of two years, and from thence to the end of the session of Congress next thereafter, and no longer.

APPROVED, May 19, 1796.

STATUTE I.
May 27, 1796.

CHAP. XXXI.—An Act relative to Quarantine.(a)

Repealed by the 8th sec. of the Act of Feb. 25, 1799. ch. 12. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized, to direct the revenue officers and the officers commanding forts and revenue cutters, to aid in the execution of quarantine, and also in the execution of the health laws of the states, respectively, in such manner as may to him appear necessary.

APPROVED, May 27, 1796.

STATUTE I.

May 27, 1796.

Chap. XXXII.—An Act allering the Compensation of the Accountant of the War Department,

[Obsolete.]
Compensation
to the Accountant of the War
Department.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall hereafter be allowed to the Accountant of the Department of War, the sum of one thousand six hundred dollars per annum, as a com-

<sup>(</sup>a) See an act respecting quarantine and health laws, passed February 25, 1799, chap. 12.

pensation for his services, in lieu of the compensation heretofore allowed.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That all letters and packets to or from the Accountant of the department of War, shall be conveyed by post, free of postage, under such restrictions as are provided by law, in like cases.

Approved, May 27, 1796.

Privilege of franking.

## CHAP. XXXIII .- An Act respecting the Mint.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be appropriated for the purchase of copper for the further coinage of cents and half cents, a sum equal to the amount of the cents and half cents which shall have been coined at the mint, and delivered to the treasurer of the United States, subsequent to the first day of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, which sum shall be payable out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this act, there shall be retained from every deposit in the mint, of gold or silver bullion below the standard of the United States, such sum as shall be equivalent to the expense incurred in refining the same, and an accurate account of such expense on every deposit shall be kept, and of the sums retained on account of the same, which shall be accounted for by the treasurer of the mint, to the treasurer of the United States.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That this act shall continue in force for the term of two years from the passing thereof, and from thence until the end of the next session of Congress thereafter holden, and no longer.

Approved, May 27, 1796.

STATUTE I.

May 27, 1796.

[Expired.]
Act of Jan. 14,
1793, ch. 2.
Act of April
24, 1800, ch. 34.

Appropriation for the purchase of copper.

Part of gold and silver bullion to be retained.

Limitation.

STATUTE I.

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May 27, 1796. [Obsolete.]

Time and place of holding the district court of Vermont.

1802, ch. 31.

Fall session of the circuit court of Rhode Island.

Times of holding the district court of Rhode Island.

1804, ch. 31.

Returns of writs and processes, &c.

CHAP. XXXIV.—An Act altering the Sessions of the Circuit Courts in the Districts of Vermont and Rhode Island; and for other purposes.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the first day of June next, the circuit court, for the district of Vermont, shall be held at Rutland and Windsor, alternately, beginning with the former, on the seventh day of November, and on the twelfth day of May, annually: Provided, when either of those days shall be Sunday, the court shall be held on the day following.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the fall session of the circuit court, for the district of Rhode Island, shall be held on the nine-teenth day of November, with the exception for Sunday, as is provided

in the preceding section.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the district court for the district last aforesaid, instead of the several days heretofore prescribed, shall be held annually, on the first Tuesday of August, the third Tuesday of November, the first Tuesday of February, and the second Tuesday of May.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That all writs and processes, of whatever name or description, which may have issued from either of the courts before mentioned, or which shall hereafter issue, the return of which will be interrupted by this act, shall be returned to the terms of the courts, respectively, next succeeding the terms, to which they were made returnable: And the said writs and processes before mentioned, together with all matters and business depending before either of the courts before mentioned, shall be taken up and proceeded upon to final issue and determination, in the same manner, and to the same effect, as