

ACTS OF THE FOURTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the City of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, on Monday, the fifth day of December, 1796, and ended on the third of March, 1797.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, President; JOHN ADAMS, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate; WILLIAM BINGHAM, President of the Senate pro tempore, from March 2d, 1797; JONATHAN DAYTON, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE II.

Dec. 21, 1796.

[Obsolete.]

Act of March 3, 1796, ch. 50.
Acts of present session, how published.

CHAPTER I.—*An Act to amend the act intituled "An act for the more general promulgation of the Laws of the United States."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary for the department of State shall cause to be included in the edition of the laws of the United States, directed to be printed by the said act, the laws of the United States which may be passed during the present session of Congress: *Provided*, the same can be done at an expense which he shall judge reasonable.

APPROVED, December 21, 1796.

STATUTE II.

Jan. 31, 1797.

CHAP. II.—*An Act giving effect to the Laws of the United States, within the State of Tennessee.*

Act of June 1, 1796, ch. 47.
Act of Feb. 19, 1799, ch. 8.

Laws to extend to Tennessee.

Ante, p. 73.

District courts.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all the laws of the United States, which are not locally inapplicable, ought to have, and shall have, the same force and effect within the state of Tennessee, as elsewhere within the United States.

And to the end, that the act, intituled "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," may be duly administered within the state of Tennessee,

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted,* That the said state shall be one district, to be denominated Tennessee district, and there shall be a district court therein, to consist of one judge, who shall reside in the said district, and be called a district judge, and annually hold four sessions; the first to commence on the first Monday in April next, and the three other sessions progressively, on the like Mondays of every three calendar months afterwards. The said district courts shall be held alternately at Knoxville and Nashville, beginning at Nashville. And the said judge shall, in all things, have and exercise the same jurisdiction and powers, which by law are given to the judge of the district of Kentucky.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That there shall be allowed to the judge of the said district court, the yearly compensation of eight hundred dollars, to commence from the date of his appointment, to be paid quarterly at the treasury of the United States.

And to the end, that the laws providing for the collection of the duties

Salary of the judge.
1802, ch. 31, sec. 12.

imposed by law on goods, wares and merchandise imported into the United States, and on the tonnage of ships and vessels, may be carried into effect, in the said state of Tennessee.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That for the due collection of the said duties, the said state of Tennessee shall be one district, and a collector shall be appointed to reside at Palmyra, which shall be the only port of entry or delivery within the said district, of any goods, wares or merchandise, not the growth or manufacture of the United States; and the said collector shall have, and exercise all the powers, which any other collector hath, or may legally exercise, for collecting the duties aforesaid; and in addition to the fees by law provided, shall be paid the yearly compensation of one hundred dollars.

APPROVED, January 31, 1797.

Collection district.

Act of March 2, 1801, ch. 12.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. III.—*An Act to augment the Compensation of the Attorney General of the United States.*

March 2, 1797.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the compensation allowed by law to the Attorney General of the United States, shall be, and the same is hereby augmented, by an addition of the sum of five hundred dollars per annum, to commence on the first day of January, in the present year, and payable quarter-yearly, at the public treasury.

[Obsolete.]
Compensation to Attorney General.

Ante, p. 72.

APPROVED, March 2, 1797.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. V.—*An Act to continue in force for a limited time, the act, in addition to the act, for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States.*

March 2, 1797.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act, intitled "An act, in addition to the act, for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States," shall continue and be in force, for and during the term of two years, and from thence to the end of the next session of Congress, and no longer.

[Expired.]
Act of June 5, 1794, ch. 50.
Act concerning crimes continued.

APPROVED, March 2, 1797.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. VI.—*An Act making provision for the further accommodation of the household of the President of the United States.*

March 2, 1797.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That after the third day of March next, the President of the United States be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered, to cause to be sold, such articles furnished by the United States, for the President's household, as may be decayed, out of repair, or unfit for use, and that the proceeds of such sale, and so much of a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand dollars in addition thereto, out of the proceeds of the duties on imports and tonnage which may accrue during the present year, as the President of the United States may judge necessary, be, and hereby are appropriated for the accommodation of the household of the President, to be laid out and expended for such articles of furniture as he shall direct.

[Obsolete.]
\$14,000 granted to the President for his household.

APPROVED, March 2, 1797.