existing laws; and all acts now in force regulating the exportation of spirits, and the allowance and payment of drawbacks and debentures, shall be deemed applicable to brandy, the importation of which is permitted by this act.

Act to continue in force for three years.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this act shall continue in force for the period of three years, and no longer.

APPROVED, March 2, 1827.

STATUTE II.

March 2, 1827.

CHAP. LVI.—An Act to grant a certain quantity of land to the state of Indiana, for the purpose of aiding said state in opening a canal to connect the waters of the Wabash river with those of Lake Eric. (a)

A certain quantity of land granted to said state, for opening a canal to unite, at navigable points, the waters of the Wabash river, with those of Lake Erie.

Proviso.

Proviso.

Duty of the governor of said state, when the canal is located, &c.

Power given to the legislature to sell.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That there be, and hereby is. granted to the state of Indiana, for the purpose of aiding the said state in opening a canal to unite at navigable points the waters of the Wabash river with those of Lake Erie, a quantity of land equal to one half of five sections in width, on each side of said canal, and reserving each alternate section to the United States, to be selected by the commissioner of the land office, under the direction of the President of the United States, from one end thereof to the other; and the said lands shall be subject to the disposal of the legislature of said state, for the purpose aforesaid, and no other; Provided, That the said canal, when completed, shall be, and forever remain, a public highway for the use of the government of the United States, free from any toll, or other charge, whatever, for any property of the United States, or persons in their service passing through the same: Provided, That said canal shall be commenced within five years, and completed in twenty years, or the state shall be bound to pay to the United States the amount of any lands previously sold, and that the title to purchasers under the state shall be valid.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, so soon as the route of the said canal shall be located and agreed on by the said state, it shall be the duty of the governor thereof, or such other person or persons as may have been, or shall hereafter be, authorized to superintend the construction of said canal, to examine and ascertain the particular lands to which the said state will be entitled under the provisions of this act, and report the same to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said state, under the

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said state, under the authority of the legislature thereof, after the selection shall have been so made, shall have power to sell and convey the whole, or any part of the said land, and to give a title, in fee simple, therefor, to whomsoever shall purchase the whole or any part thereof.

Approved, March 2, 1827.

STATUTE II.

March 2, 1827. CHAP. LVII.—An Act to authorize the President of the United States to ascertain and designate the northern boundary of the state of Indiana.

April 19, 1816, ch. 57.

Surveyor general, under the direction of the President, authorized and required to cause to be surveyed, &c.,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the surveyor general, under the direction of the President of the United States, be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to cause to be surveyed, marked, and designated, the northern boundary line of the state of Indiana, as divides said state from the territory of Michigan, agreeably to the boundary as established by the act, entitled "An act to enable the people of the Indiana territory to form a constitution and state government, and for the admission of such state

<sup>(</sup>a) An act granting certain lands in the state of Indiana, the better to enable the said state to extend and complete the Wabash and Eric canal, from Terre Haute to the Ohio river, March 3, 1845, ch. 42.

into the Union, on an equal footing with the original states," approved April the nineteenth, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen; and to cause to be made a plat or plan of the said northern boundary of the state, particularly noting the place where the boundary line intersects or touches the margin of Lake Michigan, and return the same, when made, to Congress: Provided, That the whole expense of surveying and marking said boundary line shall not exceed five dollars for every mile that shall be actually surveyed and marked, which shall be paid out of the moneys appropriated for defraying the expense of surveying public lands. Approved, March 2, 1827.

the northern boundary line of said state, dividing said state from the territory of Michigan. Act of April 19, 1816, ch. Proviso.

STATUTE II. March 2, 1827.

Chap. LVIII.—An Act establishing a port of delivery at the town of Marshfield, in the district of Plymouth, and a port of delivery at Rhinebeck Landing, in the district of New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the town of Marshfield, in the district of Plymouth, and Rhinebeck Landing, in the district of New York, shall each be a port of delivery.

Approved, March 2, 1827.

Town of

Marshfield, and Rhinebeck Landing, made ports of delive-

CHAP. LIX .- An Act to authorize the legislature of the state of Alabama to sell the lands heretofore appropriated for the use of schools in that state.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the legislature of the state of Alabama shall be, and is hereby, authorized to sell, and convey, in fee simple, all or any part of the lands heretofore reserved and appropriated by Congress for the use of schools within said state, and to invest the money arising from the sale thereof, in some productive fund, the proceeds of which shall be forever applied, under the direction of said legislature, for the use and support of schools within the several townships and districts of country for which they were originally reserved and set apart, and for no other use or purpose, whatsoever; Provided, Said land, or any part thereof, shall in no case be sold without the consent of the inhabitants of such township or district, to be obtained in such manner as the legislature of said state shall by law direct: and Provided also, that, in the apportionment of the proceeds of said fund, each township and district aforesaid shall be entitled to such part thereof, and no more, as shall have accrued from the sum or sums of money arising from

the sale of the school lands belonging to such township or district.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, if the proceeds accruing to

any township or district from said fund shall be insufficient for the support of schools therein, it shall be lawful for said legislature to invest the same as is herein before directed, until the whole proceeds of the fund belonging to such township or district shall be adequate to the permanent maintenance and support of schools within the same.

APPROVED, March 2, 1827.

STATUTE II.

March 2, 1827.

Authorized to sell, &c., in fee simple, all, or any part of the lands heretofore reserved by Congress for the use of schools, within said state.

Proviso.

Proviso.

Where the proceeds accruing to any one township or district, is insufficient for the use of schools therein.

STATUTE II.

Chap. LX .- An Act to authorize the sale of certain tracts of land in the state of Ohio, commonly called Moravian land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the several lots of land lying in the Salem, Gnadenhutten, and Shoenbrun tracts of land, which have been valued at more than one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre,

Certain lots lying in the Salem, Gnadenhutten, and Shoenbrun

March 2, 1827.