Assent extended to any act to revive, &c., the aforesaid acts. SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the assent hereby given to the several acts aforesaid, shall be deemed and taken to extend to the provisions of any act which may be passed by the legislature of the state of North Carolina, to revive, amend, or carry into full effect the purpose of the acts aforesaid, so far as the assent of Congress may be deemed essential to the validity thereof.

APPROVED, July 13, 1832.

STATUTE I.

July 13, 1832.

Purchase of site, and erection of building for a customhouse in the port of New York.

Appropriation.

Custom-house Square, at New Haven.

Appropriation.

Custom-house, &c., at Middletown;

New London;

NewBedford; Kennebunk; Newport.

STATUTE I.

July 13, 1832.

[Obsolete.]

Commissioners to be appointed to examine all claims under the convention with France.

Secretary and clerk.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, with the approbation of the President of the United States, to purchase a site, and to cause a building to be constructed thereon to be used as a customhouse in the port of New York; and that the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be applied to the purposes aforesaid.

CHAP. CXCVIII.—An Act making appropriations for a custom-house in the city

of New York, and for other purposes.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That for the improvement of Custom-house Square at the port of New Haven, in the state of Connecticut, nine hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, provided the same shall by him be deemed expedient; to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the following sums be appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, viz: for the erection or purchase of a custom-house and public store at the port of Middletown, five thousand dollars; for the erection or purchase of a custom-house and public store at the port of New London, five thousand dollars; for the purchase of a lot, and the erection of a custom-house and public store at the port of New Bedford, fifteen thousand dollars; and for the purchase of a custom-house at the port of Kennebunk, sixteen hundred dollars; for completing the custom-house and fence around it, of the port of New port, five hundred dollars.

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CHAP. CXCIX.—An Act to carry into effect the convention between the United States and his majesty the King of the French, concluded at Paris on the fourth of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one.

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, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint three commissioners, who shall form a board, whose duty it shall be to receive and examine all claims which may be presented to them under the convention between the United States and France, of the fourth of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, which are provided for by the said convention, according to the provisions of the same, and the principles of justice, equity, and the law of nations. The said board shall have a secretary, versed in the English, French, and Spanish languages, and a clerk, both to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and the commissioners, secretary, and clerk, shall, before they enter on the duties of their offices, take oath well and faithfully to perform the duties thereof.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said commissioners shall be, and they are hereby, authorized to make all needful rules and regu- gulations. lations, not contravening the laws of the land, the provisions of this act, or the provisions of the said convention, for carrying their said commission into full and complete effect.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the board so constituted shall meet on the first Monday of August next at the city of Washington; and, within two years from the time of its meeting, shall terminate its duties. And the Secretary of State is required forthwith, after the passing of this act, to give notice of the said meeting; to be published in two newspapers in Washington, and in such other papers as he may think proper.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That all records, documents, or other papers, which now are in, or hereafter, during the continuance of this commission, may come into the possession of the Department of State, in relation to such claims, shall be delivered to the commission aforesaid.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the compensation of the respective officers, for whose appointment provision is made by this act, shall not exceed the following sums, namely: to each of the said commissioners, at the rate of three thousand dollars per annum; to the secretary of the board at the rate of two thousand dollars per annum; and to the clerk, at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum. And the President of the United States shall be, and he is hereby authorized to make such provision for the contingent expenses of the said commission, as shall appear to him reasonable and proper; and the said salaries and expenses shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That the said commissioners shall report to the Secretary of State a list of the several awards made by them; a certified copy whereof shall be by him transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall thereupon distribute, in rateable proportions, among the persons in whose favour the awards shall have been made, such moneys as may have been received into the Treasury in virtue of this act, according to the proportions which their respective awards shall bear to the whole amount then received, first deducting such sums of money as may be due the United States from said persons in whose favour said awards shall be made; and shall also cause certificates to be issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, in such form as he may prescribe, showing the proportion to which each may be entitled of the amount that may thereafter be received; and, on the presentation of the said certificates at the treasury, as the net proceeds of the general instalments, payable by the French government, shall have been received, such proportions thereof shall be paid to the legal holders of the said certificates.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the several instalments, with the interest thereon, payable to the United States in virtue of the said convention, to be received from the French government, and transferred to the United States, in such manner as he may deem best, and the net proceeds thereof to be paid into the treasury; and, on the payment of the proceeds of each of the said instalments, there shall be set apart, of the money in the treasury, such further sum as would have been received from the net proceeds of such instalment, if the reservation stipulated by the fourth article of said convention had not been deducted; and the moneys which may be thus set apart, together with those which may be received into the treasury under this act, shall be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, to satisfy the awards herein provided for.

SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That all communications to or from

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Rules and re-

Time of meeting and termination of duties.

Notice of meeting.

Records, &c. to be delivered to commission.

Pay of commissioners, secretary, and clerk.

Contingent expenses of commission.

List of awards to be reported to Secretary of State, and certified copy to Secretary of Trea-sury, who shall distribute, &c.

Certificates to be issued.

Instalments to be transferred to United States, and net pro-ceeds paid into the treasury.

Sum to be set apart, &c.

Appropriation.

Communications free.

the secretary of the board of commissioners, on the business of the commission, shall pass by mail free of postage.

SEC. 9. And be it further enacted, That, as soon as said commission shall be executed and completed, the records, documents, and all other papers, in the possession of the commission or its officers, shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of State.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That, for the term of ten years, from and after the second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, wines, the produce of France, shall be admitted into the United States on paying duties not exceeding the following rates on the gallon, (such as is at present used in the United States,) that is to say: six cents for red wines in casks, ten cents for white wine in casks, and twenty-two cents for wine of all sorts in bottles. (a)

APPROVED, July 13, 1832.

STATUTE I.

July 13, 1832.

Appropriation for expenses of emigrating Indians.

John Drew to be paid.

J. W. Flowers to be paid.

Unsatisfied claims of Cherokee Indians to be paid.

Act of March 30, 1802, ch. 13.

CHAP. CC.-An Act to carry into effect certain Indian treaties.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the sum of one hundred and fifty-seven thousand six hundred and ninety-four dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, in addition to the balance remaining unexpended in the treasury, already appropriated to defray the expenses of transporting and subsisting such portions of the various tribes of Indians as have heretofore emigrated west of the Mississippi, or as may emigrate during the present year, in conformity with the provisions of various treaties entered into with them: For the payment of the account of John Drew, a Cherokee Indian, three thousand four hundred and thirty-five dollars and thirteen cents. For the payment of John W. Flowers, a Cherokee Indian, five hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause any unsatisfied claims of John W. Flowers, Nicholas Miller, William Drew, and Joseph Rogers, Cherokee Indians, for stock lost by them, respectively, by spoliations committed by citizens of the United States, in the years one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, and one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, in the territory in Arkansas, ceded to the United States by the Cherokee tribe of Indians, in the month of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, to be settled and paid in the same manner as if such spoliations had been committed before the cession of the said territory, on the principles of the act of Congress, approved March thirtieth, one thousand eight hundred and two, entitled " An act to regulate trade and intercourse with the Indian tribes, and to preserve peace on the frontiers;" and that the Secretary of War be directed to endeavour to ascertain the names of the persons who committed the depredations upon the property of said Indians, and take suitable steps for the prosecution and punishment of such persons; and also for the recovery of the value of the property plundered or destroyed by them.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said sums be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, July 13, 1832.

STATUTE I.

July 13, 1832. CHAP. CCI.—An Act extending further the right of debenture to the port of Key West, and altering the limits of the district of Key West.

Certain vessels admitted to States of America, in Congress assembled, That all ships or vessels, and

(a) See notes of acts relative to discriminating duties, vol. iv. p. 2.

Records, &c. to be deposited in State Department.

Rates of duties on French wines for ten years.