

PRIVATE ACTS OF THE SIXTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the first session, which was begun and held at the City of Philadelphia, on Monday, the second day of December, 1799, and ended the fourteenth day of May, 1800.

JOHN ADAMS, President; THOMAS JEFFERSON, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate; SAMUEL LIVERMORE, President of the Senate pro tempore on the twenty-fourth day of December, 1799; URIAH TRACY, President of the Senate pro tempore on the fourteenth day of May, 1800; THEODORE SEDGWICK, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. VII.—*An Act for the relief of John Vaughan.*

Feb. 11, 1800.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to settle the account of John Vaughan, and to allow him the amount of the difference in his favor, which would result from calculating the silver bullion by him deposited, previous to the month of December, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, in the mint of the United States, for coinage, at the rate of one thousand four hundred and eighty-five parts fine to one hundred and seventy-nine parts alloy, instead of the rate of nine parts fine to one part alloy, and that the same be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Allowance to
John Vaughan.

APPROVED, February 11, 1800.

CHAP. XI.—*An Act for the relief of James Yard.*

STATUTE I.

Feb. 27, 1800.

Be it enacted, &c., That the term of six months, from and after the passing of this act, shall be, and is hereby, allowed, as a further time for the exportation, with the benefit of drawback, of one hundred and six pipes, eight hogsheads, and five quarter casks, of Madeira wine, which were duly shipped, and with the benefit of drawback, in the months of March and April, of the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, by James Yard, on board the ship Ganges, then bound to India, but afterwards relanded in consequence of the purchase of that ship by the United States; and any drawback which shall accrue on any parcel of the said wine, which, being first duly identified, shall be exported within the term aforesaid, shall be payable in fifteen days after such exportation, and a debenture or debentures may issue for such drawback, upon the like security, conditions, and proofs, as are required in other cases, and to be paid in a similar manner.

Further time
allowed for ex-
port of mer-
chandise.

APPROVED, February 27, 1800.

STATUTE I.

March 29, 1800.

Settlement of
account of C.
Smith as Judge
Advocate.

CHAP. XVII.—*An Act for the relief of Campbell Smith.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the proper accounting officers of the treasury liquidate and settle the account of Campbell Smith, for his services as judge advocate to the legion of the United States, while he acted in that capacity, under an appointment made by General Wayne, on the sixteenth of July, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four; and that he be allowed such pay and emoluments for said services, in addition to his pay in the line, as are allowed by law to officers acting in that capacity.

APPROVED, March 29, 1800.

STATUTE I.

April 3, 1800.

Privilege of
franking letters,
&c. extended to
Martha Wash-
ington.

CHAP. XVIII. — *An Act to extend the privilege of franking letters and packages to Martha Washington.*

Be it enacted, &c., That all letters and packages to and from Martha Washington, relict of the late General George Washington, shall be received and conveyed by post free of postage, for and during her life.

APPROVED, April 3, 1800.

STATUTE I.

April 5, 1800.

Robert Stur-
geon to be dis-
charged from
imprisonment.

CHAP. XX.—*An Act to discharge Robert Sturgeon from his imprisonment.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the keeper of the prison in Lewistown, county of Mifflin, and State of Pennsylvania, be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to release Robert Sturgeon from imprisonment, on a process in favor of the United States, by virtue of which he is now imprisoned: *Provided*, he obtains and produces to him, the said keeper, a certificate from the Secretary of the Treasury, that he the said Robert has assigned and conveyed all his estate, real and personal, in his possession, or to which he is entitled, to some person or persons, for the use of the United States, under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury, which certificate shall be sufficient authority for the keeper of said prison to release said Robert, so far as he is holden, by virtue of said process, in favour of the United States. *And provided also*, That the judgment obtained, or to be obtained on said process, shall remain in full force against any estate the said Robert may hereafter acquire.

APPROVED, April 5, 1800.

Proviso.

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STATUTE I.

April 16, 1800.

Compensation
for injuries to
Rhode Island
college.

CHAP. XXIV.—*An Act for the relief of the corporation of Rhode Island college.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the accounting officers of the treasury be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to liquidate and settle the claims of the corporation of Rhode Island college, for compensation for the use and occupation of the edifice of the said college, and for injuries done to the same, from the tenth day of December, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six, to the twentieth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighty, by the troops of the United States; and that the sum which may be found due to the said corporation, for damages done to and occupation of the said edifice, as aforesaid, be paid them out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, April 16, 1800.

STATUTE I.

May 7, 1800.

Allowance to
William Taze-
well.

CHAP. XLIV.—*An Act to authorize the allowance of a credit to William Tazewell.*

Be it enacted, &c., That in settling the accounts of William Tazewell, secretary of Elbridge Gerry, late envoy extraordinary from the United States of America to the French Republic, the Secretary of

State be, and he is hereby authorized to allow the reasonable expenses incurred by the said William Tazewell, in consequence of his being captured on his return to the United States.

APPROVED, May 7, 1800.

CHAP. LII.—*An Act for the relief of Ithamar Canfield.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the proper officer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue three land warrants, of one hundred acres each, to Ithamar Canfield, assignee to Eliphalet Tomlinson, Jabez Tomlinson, and Abraham Shelly, who served the United States as soldiers during the revolutionary war, and became entitled to the said lands by virtue of a resolution of Congress: *Provided*, the transfers and powers of attorney are made out pursuant to the rules in such cases established at the war office.

APPROVED, May 10, 1800.

STATUTE I.

May 10, 1800.

Three land warrants to be issued to Ithamar Canfield, assignee, &c.

CHAP. LXXI.—*An Act to make further provision for the children of Colonel John Harding, and Major Alexander Trueman, deceased.*

Be it enacted, &c., That there shall be annually paid to the guardians respectively of the sons and daughters of the late Colonel John Harding, deceased, and to the guardian of the daughter of the late Major Alexander Trueman, deceased, for each son and daughter aforesaid, the sum of one hundred dollars, until they shall have respectively attained the age of twenty-one years, to be applied by the said several guardians to the suitable education of the said sons, and to the use of the said daughters.

APPROVED, May 14, 1800.

STATUTE I.

May 14, 1800.

Act of Feb. 22, 1793, ch. 14.

Further provision for the children of Colonel Harding and Major Trueman.