BY AUTHORITY.

AN ACT

Concerning the sale of the lands of the United States, and for other purposes.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That whenever the President of the United States has been or may be authorized to cause the public lands, in any land district, to be offered for sale, it shall be lawful, whenever he shall think it convenient, to offer for sale at first, only a part of the lands contained in such district, and at any subsequent time or times to offer for sale in the same manner, any other part, or the remainder of the lands contained in the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the fourth section of an act passed the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and six, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act regulating the grants of land, and providing for the disposal of the lands of the United States south of the state of Tennessee," be revived and continued in force until the first day of October next: and in any case where a donation shall be granted in lieu of a pre-emption certificate, agreeable to the provisions of the said fourth section, the money, if any shall have been paid, shall be by the receiver of the public money repaid to the person or persons who have paid the same.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That certain settlers on the river Mobile, in the Mississippi territory, (east of Pearl river, who reside near the line of demarcation, between the United States and Spain, run in pursuance of the treaty of the twenty-seventh day of October, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and whose claims to land has not been decided on according to law) shall be allowed until the first day of October next, to file a notice in writing with the register of the land office, stating the nature and extent of their claims, together with a plat of the tract or tracts claimed, and the said register of the land office, and the receiver of public monies, are hereby required to hear and determine such claims according to the several acts of Congress "regulating the grants of land and providing for the disposal of the lands of the United States south of the state of Tennessee," and to grant certificates in the form heretofore prescribed by the board of commissioners in said district.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the registers of the land office east and west of Pearl river, in the Mississippi territory, to transmit to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, on or before the first day of November next, a full and fair report of all the claims of certain persons to lands in the Mississippi territory, founded upon British or Spanish warrants or orders of survey granted prior to the twenty-seventh day of October one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, not confirmed by former laws regulating the grants of lands in said territory, which have heretofore been regularly filed with the register of the land office aforesaid, together with the evidence in support of such claims respectively, and to be by him laid before Congress at their next ensuing session. And the land contained in such warrants or orders of survey, shall not be disposed of until otherwise directed by law.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That that part of the lands to which the Indian title was extinguished by the treaty with the Choctaw nation, made on Mount Dexter, in the year one thousand eight hundred and five, lying on the east of Pearl river, shall be attached to the land district east of Pearl river, and that the residue of the lands to which the Indian title was extinguished by said treaty, shall be attached to the land district west of Pearl river; and the said lands shall, with the exception of section number sixteen, which shall be reserved in each township for the use of schools within the same, and also with the exception of fifteen hundred acres of land, which is hereby confirmed to John M'Grew, in compliance with the fourth article of said treaty, be offered for sale under the same regulations, at the same prices, and on the same terms as other lands lying within the said districts.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That every person and the legal representatives of every person, who being either the head of a family, or above the age of twenty one years, who did before the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seven, actually inhabit and cultivate a tract of land, in the Mississippi territory, belonging to the United States, shall be allowed until the first day of October next, to obtain permission to remain on such tract or tracts of land, according to the provisions of the said act intituled, "An act to prevent settlements being made on lands ceded to the United States until authorized by law," and the person or persons obtaining such permission shall be entitled to all the benefits, rights and privileges granted by law to those who obtained the same prior to the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eight.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the right of the United States to two town lots lying and being in the city of Natchez be, and the same is hereby forever vested in the corporation of the said city, so as not to affect the legal or equitable claims of any individuals, or of any body politic or corporate, if any such there be.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever the claims of persons having a right of pre-emption in either of the districts east or west of Pearl river, shall interfere with each other, the register and receiver of public monies are hereby authorized in their respective districts so to regulate their locations or to prevent such interference.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
GEO: CLINTON, *Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate.*
MARCH 31, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

For erecting a light-house on the south point of the Island of Sapelo, and for placing buoys and beacons in the shoals of the inlet leading to the town of Darien, and near the entrance of Ipswich harbor, near Plymouth harbor, before the harbor of Nantucket, and on the island of Tuckanuck, at or near the entrance of Connecticut river, and near the entrance of Great Egg Harbor river.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That as soon as the jurisdiction of so much of the head land of the south point of the island of Sapelo, in the state of Georgia, as the President of the United States shall deem sufficient for the purpose of erecting a light house and its appurtenances, shall have been ceded to the United States, provided the said land can be obtained at a reasonable price, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to provide by contract, which shall be approved by the President of the United States, for building a light-house thereon, and furnishing the same with all necessary supplies, and also to agree for the salaries or wages of the person or persons who may be appointed by the President, for the superintendance and care of building the said light-house: And the President is hereby authorized to make the said appointment.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be further authorized and directed to cause to be placed four buoys on the shoals called the South and North banks of the harbor or entrance of the inlet leading to the town of Darien.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to cause to be erected and placed beacons and buoys at the following places, to wit: two beacons and three buoys near the entrance of Ipswich harbor: three buoys, one on Gurnet rock, one on Boss rock, and one on Deck's flats, and two beacons on the stony muscle bed, near Plymouth harbor; three additional buoys before the harbor of Nantucket, and a buoy or leading mark on the island of Tuckanuck, in the state of Massachusetts—three buoys at or near the entrance of Connecticut river, and three buoys to be placed at or near the entrance of Great Egg Harbor river, in the state of New-Jersey.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be appropriated and paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand five hundred dollars, for the purposes aforesaid.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
GEO: CLINTON, *Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate.*
MARCH 17, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

For the relief of Mathew Smith and Darius Gates, jointly, and Darius Gates, separately.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby authorized to liquidate and settle the account of Mathew Smith and Darius Gates, and that they allow them the principal sum of money paid to the United States for two tracts of land lying in the town of East Haddam, in the state of Connecticut, purchased by the said Mathew Smith and Darius Gates, jointly, of the United States, through the marshal of the district of Connecticut, who was fully authorized to sell the same, and from which lands the said purchasers were regularly evicted by due course of law, together with the amount of costs by them expended in defending the titles of the United States to said lands, with interest on the whole sum that may appear to be due.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the aforesaid accounting officers be, and they are hereby authorized to liquidate and settle the account of Darius Gates, and allow him the principal sum of money paid to the United States for two tracts of land lying in the aforesaid town and state, purchased by the said Darius Gates, of the United States, through the marshal aforesaid, who was fully authorized to sell the same, and from which lands the said purchaser was evicted by due course of law, together with the amount of costs by him expended in defending the titles of the United States to said lands, with interest on the whole sum that may appear to be due.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the sums which may be found due to the aforesaid purchasers of the lands aforesaid, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
S. SMITH, *President of the Senate, pro tempore.*
APRIL 21, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

For the relief of the legal representatives of Thomas Barclay, deceased.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the proper accounting officers of the treasury be, and they are hereby authorised to liquidate and settle the account of Thomas Barclay, deceased, and that they allow for his services, while he acted as vice-consul in France, a salary at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum; and that while he acted as consul, commercial agent, commissioner of public accounts in Europe, and was engaged in negotiating the treaty concluded with the emperor of Morocco, in one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, they allow a salary at the rate of three thousand three hundred and thirty-three and one third dollars per annum, exclusive of his expences; and that in the adjustment of his account with the public, which originated in consequence of his second mission, they credit him with the amount of goods purchased to take with him to Morocco according to the letters of David Humphreys, esq. (formerly minister from the United States to the court of Spain,) to the Secretary of State, and the invoices and memorandoms transmitted by that minister to the government; and that they pay the balance, with interest to the legal representatives of the said Thomas Barclay, out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
S. SMITH, *President of the senate, pro-tempore.*
APRIL 13, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

For procuring an additional number of arms and for the purchase of saltpetre and sulphur.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That a sum of money not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of procuring by purchase, or causing to be manufactured within the United States, and under the direction of the President of the United States, an additional number of stands of arms to be deposited in safe and suitable places. And for the purchase of saltpetre and sulphur, a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
GEO: CLINTON. *Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate.*
MARCH 11, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

Granting William Wells the right of pre-emption.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That William Wells shall have the right of pre-emption to three hundred and twenty acres of land, to include his improvement situated at Fort Wayne, in the Indiana Territory, at the confluence of the rivers Saint Joseph's and Saint Mary's which form the Miami of the lake; the boundaries of which shall be designated under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury; which tract of land shall be granted to him, at the same price, and on the same terms for which other public lands are sold at private sale, and the respective instalments of the purchase money shall become due at the same time with those of the first public lands which may be sold in the tract of six miles square ceded by the treaty of Greenville to the United States, at the confluence of said rivers.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
GEO: CLINTON, *Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate.*
MARCH 18, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

Extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of War be authorized to issue military land warrants to such persons as have, or shall, before the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten, produce to him satisfactory evidence of the validity of their claims; which warrants, with those heretofore issued and not yet satisfied, shall and may be located in the names of the holders or proprietors thereof, prior to the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ten, on any unlocated parts of the fifty quarter townships and the fractional quarter townships, reserved by law for original holders of military land warrants.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
GEO: CLINTON, *Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate.*
MARCH 21, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

To continue in force an act, intitled "An act to extend jurisdiction in certain cases to state judges and state courts: and for other purposes.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the act intituled "an act to extend jurisdiction in certain cases to state judges and state courts," passed the eighth day of March one thousand eight hundred and six, be, and the same is hereby continued in force without limitation of time.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the several provisions of the above mentioned act, intituled "An act to extend jurisdiction in certain cases to state judges and state courts," be and the same are hereby extended to the respective county courts within, or next adjoining the revenue districts in the state of Ohio on Lake Erie, and to the district attorney of the United States for the district of Ohio.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives,*
S. SMITH, *President of the Senate, pro-tempore.*
APRIL 21, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

For the relief of Samuel Whiting.

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 be, and is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Samuel Whiting four hundred and forty dollars, in satisfaction of the said Samuel Whiting's claim for services rendered and expences incurred, pursuant to the directions of the post master general, in the apprehending and prosecuting one Henry Deming, late a deputy post-master at Hinsdale, in Massachusetts, who was indicted in the circuit court of the United States at Boston, for embezzling certain letters which came to his possession, containing bank notes belonging to the said Samuel Whiting.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives,*
GEO: CLINTON, *Vice president of the United States, and president of the Senate.*
FEBRUARY 25, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

Making additional compensation to the Marshals of the Districts of North-Carolina and New-Jersey.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That from and after the last day of March next, there shall be paid annually to the Marshal for the district of North-Carolina the sum of four hundred dollars; to the Marshal for the district of New-Jersey the sum of two hundred dollars, in addition to the fees and emoluments heretofore allowed them by law.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
GEO: CLINTON, *Vice-President of the United States, and President of the Senate,*
FEBRUARY 25 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

To revive and continue in force "An act declaring the assent of Congress to certain acts of the states of Maryland and Georgia."

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the act which passed the seventeenth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred, intitled "An act declaring the assent of Congress, to certain acts of the states of Maryland and Georgia," be, and the same is hereby revived and continued in force until the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives,*
S. SMITH, *President of the Senate, pro-tempore.*
APRIL 20, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

Remitting the duties payable on the importation of a monument to be erected in memory of the officers of the United States Navy, who fell during the attack made on the city of Tripoli, in the year one thousand eight hundred and four.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the duties payable according to law, on the importation of a monument imported in the frigate Constitution from Italy, on account of the officers of the United States Navy, be, and they are hereby remitted.

J. B. VARNUM, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*
GEO: CLINTON, *Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate.*
MARCH 13, 1808.
APPROVED, TH: JEFFERSON.

To be Let,

For one, two, or three years, as may be agreed on by the parties,

THAT well improved farm, whereon William Frazier, deceased, lately lived, lying in Caroline county.

This plantation possesses many advantages. It is beautifully situated upon Chortank River, has good convenient landings for the delivery of its products. Is partly surrounded by fine tangle and seine fisheries—It has excellent, extensive pasturage for all kinds and quantity of stock, abounds with a variety of fruit; has two large apple orchards, with cider houses sufficient to secure a large crop; and when well cultivated, it is capable of producing annually from 1000 to 1500 bushels of wheat, four or five hundred barrels of corn, and a good crop of tobacco, oats, flax, &c.

Mrs. Frazier reserves the dwelling-house, carriage-house, garden, and the two lots laying on each side of the garden, as they are now enclosed, with sufficient apples and other fruits for her family's use, and pasturage for her small stock. This farm being large, will require a tenant with a strong force: and it is very desirable that he produce strong testimonials of his honesty, industry, sobriety, and neighbourly disposition.

Those that incline to take this farm, may know the terms by applying to Colonel William Richardson, or Henry Johnson.

HENRIETTA M. FRAZIER, Executrix.
June 28, 1808. tf

Twenty dollars reward.

RAN away from the subscriber living in Talbot county, near the Head of Wye River, on Thursday morning the 7th instant, a negro man named ISAAC, about 22 years of age, may be 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, broad face about his eyes, but sharp toward the chin; large projected mouth; talks rather fast and stammering; walks in a peculiar manner, owing perhaps to his being a bussaw; his toes turns out considerably, has a surly or grim look. Had on and I suppose took with him a coarse linen shirt and trowsers, old hat and shoes, a furred hat about four dollar price, two coats, one of which a new short blue cloth, the other striped coloured nankeen, an olive pair of pantalets, a waistcoat of Bennett's cord, with blue and yellow narrow stripes, a pair of almost new cossack boots: white shirts, and other clothing not known to me, and he is likely to exchange or sell part of these; I expect he has got a passage from Wye to Baltimore, or has taken the road to Delaware. Any person securing said negro in jail, or brings him home, so that I get him safe again, shall be entitled to the above reward; and if taken out of this state, or on the western shore, and brought home, all reasonable charges shall be added to the above reward, and paid on receipt of said negro, by me,

JOHN FISHER.
July 12 1808. tf

Forty dollars reward.

RAN away on Wednesday night the 18th of May, instant, from Doctor William H. Bordley, living in Queen-Ann's county, (Maryland, near Centreville; a hired negro fellow, the property of the subscriber, named DAVY, about nineteen years of age, yellow complected, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, spare built, speaks fast and stammering at times; he has been afflicted with a yawish like breaking out, and I expect scars will appear on his legs and thighs, and may be on his body, and knots on his head, if not declined by time, from an affray with his brother—Had on and took with him a white kersey jacket and trowsers, brown ticklenburg shirt and trowsers, a yellow round robin, one blue striped waistcoat, two pair pantaloons, one of which is broad striped dimity, the other olive cord—one furred hat, and a pair of fine shoes, he may have other clothing, more or less, by changing, &c. Whoever takes up and secures said negro in jail, so that we get him again safe, shall have twenty dollars reward, if in this state; if out of this state, thirty dollars; but if taken in or about Philadelphia, or in the Jerseys, the above reward, and reasonable charges if brought home to the subscriber, living in Talbot county, near the Head of Wye River, and delivered into the custody of Mr. John W. Bordley, living in the same place (to be paid by me.) Given under my hand, May 24, 1808.

JOHN FISHER.
May 24, (July 12) 1808. tf

Blanks, Handbills, &c.
Neatly executed at the Star-Office.