

thereof, together with ten sets of the laws of the United States, shall be delivered to the said governor and judges, to be distributed among the inhabitants for their information, and that a like number of the laws of the United States shall be delivered to the governor and judges of the territory southwest of the river Ohio.

Power of Governor and Judges herein.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the governor and judges of the territory northwest of the river Ohio shall be, and hereby are authorized to repeal their laws by them made, whensoever the same may be found to be improper.

Power of the secretaries.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the official duties of the secretaries of the said territories shall be under the control of such laws, as are or may be in force in the said territories.

One supreme judge may hold court.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That any one of the supreme or superior judges of the said territories, in the absence of the other judges, shall be and hereby is authorized to hold a court.

Seals by whom provided.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the secretary of state, provide proper seals for the several and respective public offices in the said territories.

The limitation act passed by the governor and judges disapproved.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the limitation act, passed by the governor and judges of the said territory, the twenty-eighth day of December, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight, be and hereby is disapproved.

Certain expenses allowed to John C. Symmes, &c.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the expenses incurred by John Cleves Symmes and George Turner, two of the judges of the said territory, in sending an express, and in purchasing a boat to go the circuit, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety, shall be liquidated by the officers of the treasury, and paid out of the treasury of the United States.

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The Secretary of the Treasury to furnish to the collectors printed clearances, on the back of which the methods for obtaining fresh from salt water, shall be published.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury cause to be provided, for the use of the several collectors in the United States, printed clearances, on the back whereof shall be a printed account of the methods, which have been found to answer for obtaining fresh, from salt water, and of constructing extempore stills, of such implements, as are generally on board of every vessel, with a recommendation, in all cases, where they shall have occasion to resort to this expedient for obtaining water, to publish the result of their trial in some gazette, on their return to the United States, or to communicate it for publication, to the office of the Secretary of State, in order that others may, by their success, be encouraged to make similar trials, and be benefited by any improvements or new ideas which may occur to them in practice.

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