

CHAP. XXIV.—*An Act to repeal so much of an act intituled "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," as directs that alternate sessions of the Circuit Court for the district of Pennsylvania shall be holden at Yorktown; and for other purposes.*

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That so much of the fifth section of the act, intituled "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," as directs that alternate sessions of the circuit court for the district of Pennsylvania, shall be holden at Yorktown, be, and the same is hereby repealed; and that all the sessions of the said circuit court, shall, from and after the passing of this act, be holden at the city of Philadelphia, excepting only, when at any session of the said court, the judges thereof shall direct the next session to be holden at Yorktown; which they are hereby authorized and empowered to do, whenever it shall appear to them to be necessary.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all such process of the said court, as may have issued before the passing of this act, and all recognizances returnable, and all suits and other proceedings that were continued to the said circuit court for the district of Pennsylvania, on the eleventh of October next, in Yorktown, shall now be returned, and held continued to the same court, on the same day, at Philadelphia. And to the end, that suitors, witnesses and all others concerned, may have notice of the alteration hereby made, the marshal of the said district of Pennsylvania is hereby required to make the same known, by proclamation, on or before the first day of August next.

APPROVED, May 12, 1796.

CHAP. XXV.—*An Act allowing compensation for Horses killed in battle belonging to officers of the army of the United States.*

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That every officer in the army of the United States, whose duty requires him to be on horseback, in time of action, and whose horse shall be killed in battle, be allowed a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, as a compensation for each horse so killed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the provision contained in this act shall have retrospective operation, so far as the fourth day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine: *Provided,* That no person shall receive payment for any horse so killed, until he make satisfactory proof to the Secretary at War, that the horse, for which he claims compensation, was actually killed under such circumstances, as to entitle him to this provision, in all cases, which have heretofore taken place, within one year after the end of the present session of Congress; and in all cases which may take place hereafter, within one year after such horse shall have been killed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the proof of the value of such horse shall be, by the affidavit of the quartermaster of the corps, to which the owner may belong, or of two other credible witnesses.

APPROVED, May 12, 1796.

CHAP. XXVI.—*An Act declaring the consent of Congress to a certain Act of the State of Maryland, and to continue an act declaring the assent of Congress to certain Acts of the States of Maryland, Georgia and Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, so far as the same respects the States of Georgia, and Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.*

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the con-

STATUTE I.

May 12, 1796.

Act of Sep. 20, 1789, ch. 20. Circuit court for Pennsylvania district to be holden only at Philadelphia, except when the judges direct it to be holden at Yorktown.

Returns and continuances to the 11th of next October at Yorktown changed to the same day at Philadelphia.

Notice thereof to be given by the marshal by proclamation.

STATUTE I.

May 12, 1796.

Officers whose duty requires them to be on horseback, to be paid for horses killed in battle.

Act to be retrospective as far as fourth of March, 1789.

Proof to be made to the Secretary of War within a limited time.

How proof of the value shall be made.

STATUTE I.

May 12, 1796.

[Expired.]

Consent of Congress to a certain act of