PUBLIC ACTS OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the first session, which was begun and holden at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday the third day of December, 1855, *and ended Monday the 18th day of August*, 1856.

FRANKLIN PIERCE, President. JESSE D. BRIGHT, President of the Senate, *pro tempore*. NATHANIEL P. BANKS, Jun., Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAPTER I. — *An Act to relieve the Commissioner of Pensions from the Performance of certain clerical Duties.* Feb. 20, 1856.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Pensions is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, to appoint such person as may from time to time be thought proper to sign the name of said Commissioner of Pensions to certificates or warrants for bounty land; and all such certificates or warrants so signed shall be as valid to all intents and purposes as if signed by said commissioner.

Appointment of a person to sign bounty land certificates or warrants.

APPROVED, February 20, 1856.

CHAP. IV. — *An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to change the Names of Vessels in certain Cases.* March 5, 1856.

Repealed 1859. ch. 8. *Post*, p. 375.

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 hereby is, authorized to permit the owner or owners of any vessel to change the name of the same, when, in his opinion, there shall be sufficient cause for so doing; and he may establish such rules and regulations as he shall deem proper for that purpose.

Authority for change of names of vessels.

APPROVED, March 5, 1856.

CHAP. VIII.—*An Act to define the Jurisdiction of the District and Circuit Courts of the United States for the District of East Tennessee.* March 19, 1856.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the jurisdiction of the district and circuit courts of the United States for the eastern district of Tennessee be and the same is hereby declared to extend to and include the following counties of said State, to wit: Anderson, Bledsoe, Blount, Bradley, Campbell, Carter, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Greene, Hawkins, Hamilton, Hancock, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, McMinn, Meigs, Marion, Monroe, Morgan, Polk, Rhea, Roane, Sevier, Scott, Sullivan, Washington, Union, and Cumberland, and any new county which may hereafter be formed out of the territory of one or more of said counties shall be included in said jurisdiction.

Extent of eastern judicial district in Tennessee.

APPROVED, March 19, 1856.

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