Statute I.
March 26, 1812.

CHAP. XLV.—*An Act to alter the times of holding the Circuit Courts of the first district.*(a)

Terms of the court changed. At Portsmouth on the first day of May, and Exeter on the first day of October; at Newport on the fifteenth of June; at Providence on the fifteenth of November; at Boston on the fifteenth of May, and the fifteenth of October.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in lieu of the terms now established by law, the circuit court of the first circuit shall annually be holden as follows: at Portsmouth, on the first day of May, and at Exeter, on the first day of October, within and for the district of New Hampshire; at Newport, on the fifteenth day of June, and at Providence, on the fifteenth day of November, within and for the district of Rhode Island; and at Boston, on the fifteenth day of May, and the fifteenth day of October, within and for the district of Massachusetts. And whenever any of the said days shall happen on a Sunday, then the said court, hereby directed to be holden on said day, shall be holden on the next day thereafter.

Proceedings to conform therewith.

Act of March 3, 1797, ch. 27.

1802, ch. 23, sec. 4.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all actions, suits, writs, processes and other proceedings which now are pending, in said court, or which now are or may hereafter be commenced for, or be returnable to the said court at the proper term thereof, now established by law, within and for the respective districts aforesaid, shall depend, have day, be returnable to, heard, tried and determined in the said court at the first term thereof, which shall hereafter be holden within and for the respective districts aforesaid, according to the provisions of this act, any thing in any former act or acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, March 26, 1812.

Statute I.
March 28, 1812.

CHAP. XLVI.—*An Act to establish a Quartermaster's Department, and for other purposes.*

[Obsolete.] Act of March 3, 1815, ch. 78.

Quartermaster's department how composed.

1812, ch. 92.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be and hereby is established a quartermaster's department for the army of the United States, to consist of a quartermaster general, four deputy quartermasters, and as many assistant deputy quartermasters, as, in the opinion of the President of the United States, the public service may require; the quartermaster general and deputy quartermasters to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and the assistant deputy quartermasters by the President alone. And he hereby is authorized moreover to appoint such additional number of deputy quartermasters, not exceeding four, to be taken from the line or not, at his discretion, as in his judgment the public service may require.

Rank, pay, &c. &c. of the quartermaster general, &c. &c.

1808, ch. 43.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the quartermaster general shall be entitled to the rank, pay and emoluments of a brigadier general, (under the act of the twelfth of April, one thousand eight hundred and eight,) with forage for two additional horses; the deputy quartermasters, when not taken from the line, shall be entitled to receive sixty dollars per month, five rations per day and forage for two horses, but if taken from the line, then such additional pay and emoluments as shall be equal to the foregoing provision; the assistant deputy quartermasters, when not taken from the line, shall be entitled to and receive forty dollars per month, three rations per day, and forage for one horse, but if taken from the line, then such additional pay and emoluments as shall be equal to the foregoing provision.

Their duties, &c. &c.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That in addition to their duties in the field, it shall be the duty of the quartermaster general, his deputies, and assistant deputies, when thereto directed by the Secretary of War, to purchase military stores, camp equipage and other articles requisite for the troops, and generally to procure and provide means of transport

(a) See notes to act of April 29, 1802, chap. 23.

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