# ACTS OF THE THIRTEENTH CONGRESS

OF THE

# UNITED STATES,

*Passed at the third session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on the nineteenth day of September,* 1814, *and ended on the fourth day of March,* 1815.

JAMES MADISON, President of the United States; ELBRIDGE GERRY, Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate; JOHN GAILLARD, President of the Senate pro tempore, from the first of December, 1814; LANGDON CHEVES, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

## STATUTE III.

CHAP. I.—*An Act further to extend the right of suffrage, and to increase the number of members of the legislative council in the Mississippi territory.* (*a*) Oct. 25, 1814.

Elective franchise defined.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That each and every free white male person, being a citizen of the United States, who shall have attained the age of twenty-one years, and who shall have paid a county or territorial tax, and who also shall have resided one year in said territory previous to any general election, and be at the time of any such election a resident thereof, shall be entitled to vote for members of the House of Representatives, and a delegate to Congress, for the territory aforesaid: any thing in the ordinance or in any act relative to the government of said territory to the contrary notwithstanding.

Additional members for the legislative council to be appointed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the House of Representatives of the territory aforesaid be, and they hereby are authorized, to nominate eight persons, being citizens of the United States, to the President of the United States, four of whom shall be appointed members of the legislative council for said territory, in addition to the number already provided, any act or ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPROVED, October 25, 1814.

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STATUTE III.

CHAP. II.—*An Act further extending the time for locating Virginia military land warrants, and for returning the surveys thereon to the general land office.* (*b*) Nov. 3, 1814.

Act of March 16, 1810, ch. 31.

Officers and soldiers in Virginia line, on continental establishment, allowed a further time.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the officers and soldiers of the Virginia line, on continental establishment, their heirs or assigns, entitled to bounty lands within the tract reserved by Virginia, between the Little Miami and Sciota rivers, for satisfying the legal bounties to her officers and soldiers upon continental establishment, shall be allowed a further term of three years, from and after the passage of this act, to ob-

(*a*) An act to enable the people of the western part of the Mississippi territory to form a constitution and state government, and for the admission of such state into the union on an equal footing with the original states, March 1, 1817, ch. 23.

(*b*) See notes of acts relating to the sale of public lands north-west of the river Ohio, vol. i. 464.



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