by law. And the jurisdiction of all suits or causes, whether at common law, or of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction, whether the same hath or hath not been instituted in the district court, for the former district of New York, wherein the cause of action shall have arisen, or the seizure shall have been made, within the limits of the southern district of New York, and which have not been proceeded in to final judgment or decree, shall be vested in the district court for the said southern district of New York, and the said court shall have as full power to hear, try, and determine the said suits and causes, as the district court for the district of New York had by law.

Jurisdiction of causes in the southern district vested in the court for that district, whether they have or have not been instituted in the former district court.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the original jurisdiction of the circuit court of the southern district of New York shall be confined to causes arising within the said district, and shall not be construed to extend to causes of action arising within the northern district of New York.

Original jurisdiction of the circuit court of the southern district, confined to causes arising within that district.

Approved, April 3, 1818.

Statute I.

April 3, 1818.

Chap. XXXIII.—*An Act to provide for the erection of a court-house, jail, and public offices, within the county of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That it shall and may be lawful for the levy court of the county of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, to erect, or cause to be erected, a good and sufficient jail for said county; and, whenever the levy court of the said county shall transmit to the marshal a certificate, that the jail hereby provided for is so far finished as to be ready for the reception of persons, it shall be the duty of the marshal forthwith to remove to the said jail all prisoners who shall at that time be confined in the present jail of the said county.

The levy court of Alexandria may erect a jail for that county.

The marshal to remove prisoners when certified the jail is in a condition to receive them.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said levy court may cause to be erected, if they deem expedient, at the expense of the county, a good and convenient court-house, and a fire-proof office for records, to be built of stone or brick; and that it shall be the duty of the said court to cause the jail before provided for, and the said court-house and office, when erected, to be kept in a good state of repair. And if it should be considered expedient by the said court to erect the said court-house and office in any other place than the present market square, the said court is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase, within the limits of the town of Alexandria, a lot of ground, not exceeding two acres, for the erection of the said buildings and of the said jail, and for no other use whatever.

The levy court may erect a court-house and fire-proof office for records at the expense of the county, &c.

The levy court may purchase a lot in Alexandria for the erection of the buildings, &c.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the levy court of the county of Alexandria shall, from time to time, as it shall be necessary, levy on the titheables, and other taxable property, within the said county, the sums of money which shall be necessary to carry into full effect the several provisions of this act.

The court to levy the money necessary, &c. from time to time.

Approved, April 3, 1818.

Statute I.

April 4, 1818.

Chap. XXXIV. — *An Act to establish the flag of the United States.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That from and after the fourth day of July next, the flag of the United States be thirteen horizontal stripes, alternate red and white: that the union be twenty stars, white in a blue field.

After the 4th July, 1818, the flag to be 13 stripes and 20 stars.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That on the admission of every new state into the Union, one star be added to the union of the flag; and that such addition shall take effect on the fourth day of July then next succeeding such admission.

A star to be added for every new state.

Approved, April 4, 1818.

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