

Act of March 3, 1819, ch. 99.

Right of any person to receive a pension, in virtue of any law of the United States, shall be construed, &c.

Agents for the payment of pensions required to give bonds.

contained in the act hereby revived and continued in force, shall not be construed to repeal or make void the fourth section of an act, entitled "An act concerning invalid pensions," passed the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen; and the said fourth section of the said last-mentioned act shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be, and to continue to be in full force and effect, any thing in the said act hereby revived and continued in force to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the right any person now has, or hereafter may acquire, to receive a pension in virtue of any law of the United States, shall be construed to commence at the time of completing his testimony, pursuant to the act hereby revived and continued in force.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the agents for the payment of pensions to invalid pensioners of the United States, shall in future be required to give bonds; with two or more sureties, to be approved by the Secretary of the Department of War, in such penalty as he shall direct for the faithful discharge of the duties confided to them respectively.

APPROVED, May 24, 1828.

STATUTE I.

May 24, 1828.

CHAP. CX.—*An Act declaring the assent of Congress to an act of the state of Alabama.*

Assent of Congress given to act of Alabama of Jan. 10, 1827.

Appendix No. 2.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the assent of Congress be, and hereby is, granted to the operation of an act of the general assembly of the state of Alabama, passed on the tenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, entitled "An act to incorporate the Cahawba Navigation Company."

APPROVED, May 24, 1828.

STATUTE I.

May 24, 1828.

Act of Jan. 7, 1824, ch. 4.

Where no discriminating duties of tonnage or impost are levied in the ports of said nation, upon vessels, &c. of the U. S., the President to issue his proclamation, declaring, &c.

CHAP. CXI.—*An Act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning discriminating duties of tonnage and impost," and to equalize the duties on Prussian vessels and their cargoes. (a)*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That, upon satisfactory evidence being given to the President of the United States, by the government of any foreign nation, that no discriminating duties of tonnage or impost are imposed or levied in the ports of the said nation, upon vessels wholly belonging to citizens of the United States, or upon the produce, manufactures, or merchandise, imported in the same from the United States, or from any foreign country, the President is hereby authorized to issue his proclamation, declaring that the foreign discriminating duties of tonnage and impost, within the United States, are, and shall be, suspended and discontinued, so far as respects the vessels of the said foreign nation, and the produce, manufactures, or merchandise imported into the United States in the same, from the said foreign nation, or from any other foreign country: the said suspension to take effect from the time of such notification being given to the President of the United States, and to continue so long as the reciprocal exemption of vessels, belonging to citizens of the United States, and their cargoes, as aforesaid, shall be continued, and no longer. (b)

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That no other or higher rate of duties shall be imposed or collected on vessels of Prussia, or of her dominions, from whencesoever coming, nor on their cargoes, howsoever com-

Duties collected on vessels of Prussia, &c.

(a) See notes to act of Jan. 7, 1824, ch. 4.

(b) Appendix, No. III.

posed, than are, or may be, payable on vessels of the United States, and their cargoes.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to return all duties which have been assessed since the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, on Prussian vessels, and their cargoes, beyond the amount which would have been payable on vessels of the United States, and their cargoes; and that the same allowances of drawback be made on merchandise exported in Prussian vessels as would be made on similar exportations in vessels of the United States.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of this act as relates to Prussian vessels and their cargoes, shall continue and be in force during the time that the equality for which it provides shall, in all respects, be reciprocated in the ports of Prussia, and her dominions; and if at any time hereafter, the said equality shall not be reciprocated in the ports of Prussia, and her dominions, the President may, and he is hereby, authorized to issue his proclamation, declaring that fact, and thereupon so much of this act as relates to Prussian vessels, and their cargoes, shall cease and determine.

APPROVED, May 24, 1828.

All duties assessed since April 15, 1826, on Prussian vessels, &c., beyond the amount which would have been payable, &c.

So much of this act as relates to Prussian vessels, &c., to continue in force on certain conditions, &c.

CHAP. CXIII.—*An Act altering the duties on wines imported into the United States. (a)*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That, from and after the first day of January next, the duties now imposed on wines imported into the United States, shall cease, and that, in lieu thereof, the following duties shall be levied and collected on all wines so imported; that is to say:

On the wines of France, Germany, Spain and the Mediterranean, when imported in casks, unless specially enumerated, fifteen cents per gallon; except the red wines of France and Spain, when not imported in bottles, which shall pay only ten cents per gallon.

On wines of all countries, when imported in bottles or cases, unless specially enumerated; on wines of Sicily, and on all wines not enumerated, whether imported in bottles, cases or casks, thirty cents per gallon, in addition to the duty now existing on the bottles when thus imported.

On Sherry and Madeira wines, whether imported in bottles, cases or casks, fifty cents per gallon, in addition to the duty on the bottles when so imported.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the duties imposed by this act on wine imported, shall be levied and collected on all wines remaining in the public ware-houses after the first of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, in lieu of the duties existing when the same may have been imported.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That a drawback of the duties on wines, imposed by this act, shall be allowed on exportation, and that all existing laws concerning the exportation of merchandise for the benefit of drawback, the collection of duties, and the recovery, distribution and remission of all penalties and forfeitures, shall be taken and deemed to be applicable to importations under this act.

APPROVED, May 24, 1828.

STATUTE I.

May 24, 1828,

After Jan. 1, 1829, duties now imposed on wines imported into the United States, altered.

On wines of France, &c. imported in casks.

On wines of all countries when imported in bottles or cases.

On Sherry and Madeira wines, &c.

Duties imposed by this act, on wines imported, &c.

A drawback of the duties shall be allowed on exportation, &c.

(a) *Discriminating duties:*

Act of 1816, ch. 107, sec. 3. Act of Jan. 14, 1817, ch. 50. Act of 1818, ch. 110. Act of 1832, ch. 207. Act of 1833, ch. 227, sec. 10. Act of 1824, ch. 4. Act of 1828, ch. 111. Act of 1842, ch. 270, sec. 11.