States be, and he is hereby, authorized to direct the register and receiver of the Tallahassee land district to make sale, at public auction, of one-fourth of the lots in the town of St. Mark's, in the territory of Florida, according to the plan of the surveyor general of said territory, as soon as practicable after the passage of this act, upon giving two months' public notice of the said sale.

Approved, June 30, 1834.

Statute I.

June 30, 1834.

Chap. CLVII.—*An Act supplementary to the act to amend the several acts respecting copyrights.* (*a*)

Deeds of transfer to be recorded, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all deeds or instruments in writing for the transfer or assignment of copyrights, being proved or acknowledged in such manner as deeds for the conveyance of land are required by law to be proved or acknowledged in the same state or district, shall and may be recorded in the office where the original copyright is deposited and recorded; and every such deed or instrument that shall in any time hereafter be made and executed, and which shall not be proved or acknowledged and recorded as aforesaid, within sixty days after its execution, shall be judged fraudulent and void against any subsequent purchaser or mortgagee for valuable consideration without notice.

Fees of clerk of district court.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the clerk of the district court shall be entitled to such fees for performing the services herein authorized and required, as he is entitled to for performing like services under existing laws of the United States.

Approved, June 30, 1834.

Statute I.

June 30, 1834.

Chap. CLVIII.—*An Act to provide for rebuilding the frigate Congress.*

Appropriation for rebuilding the frigate Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the sum of one hundred and eighty-one thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to rebuild the frigate Congress; and no part of said sum shall be carried to the surplus fund, notwithstanding any general provision in any other act to the contrary.

Approved, June 30, 1834.

Statute I.

June 30, 1834.

Chap. CLX.—*An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to make experiments for the safety of the steam engine.*

Secretary of Navy to test engine devised by B. Phillips.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to examine and test the steam engine devised by Benjamin Phillips, of Philadelphia, and to [employ] said Phillips, and such other persons as he may deem proper to make the experiment.

Other improvements to be tested, and result reported to Congress.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That a discretionary power be vested in the Secretary of the Navy to examine and test such other improvements in the same line, as may hereafter be presented, and for that purpose to employ such person or persons as he may deem proper; and that he report to Congress, as soon as may be, the result of any experiment made in pursuance of this act.

Appropriation to carry act into execution.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That, for the purpose of carrying this act into execution, the sum of five thousand dollars, out of any

(*a*) For notes of acts relating to copyrights, see vol. ii. p. 171.

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