

ACTS OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the district of Columbia, on Monday, the 4th day of December, 1837, and ended July 7, 1838.

MARTIN VAN BUREN, President. RICHARD M. JOHNSON, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate. JAMES K. POLK, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE II.

Dec. 22, 1837.

CHAP. I.—*An Act to authorize the President of the United States to cause the public vessels to cruise upon the coast in the winter season and to relieve distressed navigators.*

The President authorized to cause the public vessels to cruise upon the coast in the winter for the relief of distressed navigators.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and hereby is, authorized to cause any suitable number of public vessels, adapted to the purpose, to cruise upon the coast, in the severe portion of the season, when the public service will allow of it, and to afford such aid to distressed navigators as their circumstances and necessities may require; and such public vessels shall go to sea prepared fully to render such assistance.

APPROVED, December 22, 1837.

STATUTE II.

Jan. 16, 1838.

CHAP. II.—*An Act to ratify and confirm certain official acts of John Pope, late Governor of Arkansas.*

The locations, &c., of John Pope, of ten sections of land granted by Congress to Arkansas for a State-house, under authority vested in him by an act of 4th July, 1832, confirmed. Act of July 4, 1832, ch. 172. Proviso. Further proviso.

Certain lands in the Mississippi land district, Arkansas,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the locations, sales, and transfers of John Pope, late Governor of Arkansas, of a quantity of the public land, not exceeding ten sections, (or six thousand four hundred acres,) which was granted by Congress to Arkansas to build a State-house at Little Rock, the seat of Government of Arkansas, to sundry citizens of Arkansas, in pursuance of an authority vested in him by an act of Congress of the fourth day of July, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, be, and the same are hereby, ratified and confirmed: *Provided* said location, sales, and transfers, were in conformity to legal subdivisions, be those divisions fractional quarter sections or not: *And provided, also,* That the gross amount of acres of land thus located, sold, and transferred, for the purpose aforesaid, does not exceed six thousand four hundred acres; and the President of the United States is hereby authorized and directed to cause patents to issue to said purchasers, their heirs, or their legal representatives, for the late Governor's several locations, sales, and transfers, whenever the applications are properly made by said purchasers or their legal representatives.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the northeast and southwest quarters of section twenty-seven, township eighteen south, range one west, the southeast quarter of section twenty-eight, same township and