# PRIVATE ACTS OF THE EIGHTH CONGRESS

OF THE

# UNITED STATES,

*Passed at the first session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the seventeenth day of October, 1803, and ended on the twenty-seventh day of March, 1804.*

THOMAS JEFFERSON, President; AARON BURR, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate; JOHN BROWN, President of the Senate pro tempore from the 31st day of October to the 19th day of December, and from the 26th day of January to the 25th day of February, 1804; JESSE FRANKLIN, President of the Senate pro tempore, from the 14th day of March; NATHANIEL MACON, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

## STATUTE I.

CHAP. VII.—*An Act for the relief of John Coles.*

Jan. 14, 1804.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the proper accounting officers liquidate and adjust the claim of John Coles, owner of the ship Grand Turk, heretofore employed in the service of the United States, for the detention of the said ship at Gibraltar, by direction of the American consul at that port, from the tenth day of May to the fourth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and one, inclusive; and that he be allowed demurrage at the rate stipulated in the charter party, together with the interest thereon.

Demurrage allowed on ship Grand Turk.

APPROVED, January 14, 1804.

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STATUTE I.

CHAP. VIII.—*An Act for the relief of Paul Coulon.*

Jan. 26, 1804.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be paid to Paul Coulon, as agent for the captors of the ship Betty Cathcart and brig Aaron, prizes to the French privateer La Belloné, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand two hundred and forty-one dollars and forty-four cents, being the amount retained by the Treasury Department from the sales of the ship Betty Cathcart, for duties on the cargo of the brig Aaron.

Duties on sales of prizes refunded.

APPROVED, January 26, 1804.

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STATUTE I.

CHAP. X.—*An Act to incorporate the Directors of the Columbian Library Company.*

Jan. 31, 1804.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That Stephen B. Balch, Joseph Nourse, Charles D. Green, John Craven, Francis Lowndes, junior, and George French, and their successors, duly elected or appointed in manner hereinafter directed, be, and they are hereby made, declared and constituted a corporation and body politic in law and in fact, to have continuance

Library company constituted.



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