

Certain suits  
or actions ex-  
cepted.

ed the seventeenth of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, or in this act; shall be so construed as to extend to any suit or action brought by the corporate authorities of either of the cities of the said District to recover a penalty imposed by any ordinance or by law of such corporation for an infraction of its by-laws and ordinances.

APPROVED, February 4, 1845.

STATUTE II.

Feb. 7, 1845.

Act of March  
3, 1837, ch. 51.

Act confirmed.

Appendix No.  
2, post, 602.

Proviso.

Further pro-  
viso.

CHAP. IV. — *An Act confirming and assenting to an act of the Legislature of Virginia, entitled "An act further to amend the act incorporating the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company."*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act of the Legislature of Virginia, entitled "An act further to amend the act incorporating the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company," which was passed on the twentieth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, be, and the same is hereby, ratified, confirmed, and assented to: Provided, That this assent and confirmation shall not be so construed as to bind the United States beyond their interest in the stock in said company, nor as either affirming or denying the validity of the rights or liens of the State of Maryland referred to in the third section of the said act of Virginia: Provided, also, That nothing herein contained shall be held or construed to impair the rights of any individual or corporation derived from the original act of incorporation of the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company.*

APPROVED, February 7, 1845.

STATUTE II.

Feb. 13, 1845.

Act of March  
3, 1823, ch. 44,  
repealed.

Actions or  
suits pending,  
&c. to be trans-  
ferred to Dist.  
Court at New  
Orleans,  
1840, ch. 19.

One term to  
be held annually  
for the business  
of the western  
district.

CHAP. V. — *An Act to repeal "An act for the better organization of the district court of the United States within the State of Louisiana," and for other purposes. (a)*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act for the better organization of the district court of the United States within the State of Louisiana," approved on the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.*

*SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That all criminal actions or civil suits which have arisen in the district court of the United States for the western district of the State of Louisiana, and which are now pending therein, together with all process, writs, recognizances, and records, belonging thereto, shall be transferred to New Orleans, and there disposed of by the district court of the United States for the eastern district of Louisiana, as suits are disposed of originating in the eastern district of said State.*

*SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the district court of the United States for the State of Louisiana shall hold one term of said court in each and every year, in the city of New Orleans, which shall commence on the first Monday of January, and continue unless the business shall be disposed of, for the trial of all criminal actions and civil suits which have arisen, or which may hereafter arise, within the present limits of the said western district of the State of Louisiana.*

APPROVED, February 13, 1845.

STATUTE II.

Feb. 20, 1845.

CHAP. XIII. — *An Act for the purchase of certain copies of the History of Oregon, California, and the other Territories on the Northwest coast of America.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary*

(a) Notes of the acts relating to the District Court of Louisiana, vol. 3, 774.

of State be, and he hereby is, authorized to purchase from Robert Greenhow one thousand five hundred copies of the History of Oregon, California, and the other Territories on the northwest coast of America, published by him: *Provided*, That the said copies be furnished at a rate not exceeding two dollars per copy.

Purchase of  
1500 copies au-  
thorized.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of three thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purchase of said books, be, and the same hereby is appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation  
therefor.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That from the said copies, so purchased, one shall be furnished to the President and one to the Vice President of the United States; one to the attorney general, and one to each of the heads of the departments; one to each of the judges of the Supreme Court of the United States; one to each member of the present Congress; one to the Governor and one to the Secretary of State of each State and Territory in the Union; and that twenty copies shall be deposited in the library of Congress, twenty copies in the office of the Secretary of the Senate, and thirty copies in the library of the House of Representatives; and that the Secretary of State be, and he is hereby, authorized to distribute copies of said work to ministers and diplomatic agents of this government, and of such foreign governments as are in the habit of furnishing to this government works published by them; and to universities, colleges and literary institutions now entitled to receive congressional documents printed by order of either House, allowing one copy to each; and the remaining copies, if any, to be kept by the Secretary of State, in his department, subject to the order of Congress.

Distribution  
thereof.

APPROVED, February 20, 1845.

STATUTE II.  
Feb. 20, 1845.

CHAP. XIV. — *An Act making appropriations for the payment of revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States, for the year ending the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-six.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the payment of pensions for the year ending the thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-six:

For revolutionary pensions under the act of eighteenth March, eighteen hundred and eighteen, one hundred and eighty-six thousand two hundred dollars;

Revolutionary  
pensions.  
1818, ch. 19.

For invalid pensions under various laws, one hundred and eighty-four thousand eight hundred dollars;

Invalid pen-  
sions.

For pensions to widows and orphans under the act of fourth July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, two hundred and twenty thousand five hundred dollars;

Pensions to  
widows and or-  
phans.  
1836, ch. 362.

For pensions to widows under the act of seventh July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight and the supplementary act of twenty-third August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, one hundred and eighty thousand dollars;

1838, ch. 169.

1842, ch. 191.

For pensions to widows under the act of third March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, eighty thousand dollars;

1843, ch. 102.

For pensions to widows under the act of seventeenth June, eighteen hundred and forty-four, one million and ninety-six thousand dollars — a part of which sum may be applied to the payment of pensions allowed under said act in the year ending on the thirtieth June eighteen hundred and forty-five;

1844, ch. 102.

For half pay pensions to widows and orphans, payable through the Auditor's office, one thousand five hundred dollars;