court by this act established, and entered on the docket of the same at its first session, in order that the said causes may be heard and decided therein, in the manner provided by the third section of this act.

APPROVED, March 30, 1820.

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CHAP. XXVIII.—An Act further to suspend, for a limited time, the sale or forfeiture of lands, for failure in completing the payment thereon.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the operation of the sixth condition of the fifth section of the act entitled “An act to amend the act entitled “An act providing for the sale of the lands of the United States north-west of the Ohio, and above the mouth of Kentucky river,” be, and the same is hereby suspended until the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, in favour of the purchasers of public lands, at any of the land offices of the United States: Provided, That the benefit of this act shall not be extended to any one purchaser for a greater quantity than six hundred and forty acres.

APPROVED, March 30, 1820.

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CHAP. XXXIX.—An Act for apportioning the representatives in the seventeenth Congress, to be elected in the state of Massachusetts and Maine, 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, in the election of representatives in the seventeenth Congress, the state of Massachusetts shall be entitled to choose thirteen representatives only; and the state of Maine shall be entitled to choose seven representatives, according to the returns of the census.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That if the seat of any of the representatives in the present Congress, who were elected in and under the authority of the state of Massachusetts, and who are now inhabitants of the state of Maine, shall be vacated by death, resignation, or otherwise, such vacancy shall be supplied by a successor, who shall, at the time of his election, be an inhabitant of the state of Maine.

APPROVED, April 7, 1820.

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CHAP. XL.—An Act making appropriations for the support of government, for the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

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, respectively, appropriated; that is to say:

For compensation, granted by law to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, their officers and attendants, three hundred and eighty-four thousand and ten dollars.

For the expenses of stationery, fuel, printing, and all other contingent and incidental expenses, of both Houses of Congress, forty-five thousand dollars.

(a) See note to act of December 21, 1811, ch. 9, vol. ii. 669, referring to the acts apportioning the representatives in Congress according to the enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States, conforming to the returns of the census.