have been offered at public sale within either of the land districts in said State of Mississippi, contiguous to said lands, within said State," ceded by the Chickasaws, be so amended that the said lands may be selected, under the direction of the Governor of said State of Mississippi, out of any public lands remaining unsold within either of the land districts in said State of Mississippi, contiguous to the lands in said State, ceded by the Chickasaw Indians.

APPROVED, June 13, 1842.

CHAP. XLVII.—An Act for the apportionment of Representatives among the several States according to the sixth census. (a)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, the House of Representatives shall be composed of members elected agreeably to a ratio of one Representative for every seventy thousand six hundred and eighty persons in each State, and of one additional representative for each State having a fraction greater than one moiety of the said ratio, according to the rule prescribed by the Constitution of the United States; that is to say: Within the State of Maine, seven; within the State of New Hampshire, four; within the State of Massachusetts, ten; within the State of Rhode Island, two; within the State of Connecticut, four; within the State of Vermont, four; within the State of New York, thirty-four; within the State of New Jersey, five; within the State of Pennsylvania, twenty-four; within the State of Delaware, one; within the State of Maryland, six; within the State of Virginia, fifteen; within the State of North Carolina, nine; within the State of South Carolina, seven; within the State of Georgia, eight; within the State of Alabama, seven; within the State of Louisiana, four; within the State of Mississippi, four; within the State of Tennessee, eleven; within the State of Kentucky, ten; within the State of Ohio, twenty-one; within the State of Indiana, ten; within the State of Illinois, seven; within the State of Missouri, five; within the State of Arkansas, one; and within the State of Michigan, three.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That in every case where a State is entitled to more than one Representative, the number to which each State shall be entitled under this apportionment shall be elected by districts composed of contiguous territory equal in number to the number of Representatives to which said State may be entitled, no one district electing more than one Representative.

APPROVED, June 25, 1842.

CHAP. L.—An Act confirming certain land claims in Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the claims to lands within the land district of New Orleans, being numbers six, seven, eight, nine, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, thirty, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-eight, forty-seven, forty-eight, fifty, fifty-seven, fifty-nine, sixty, sixty-one, and sixty-two, of the two reports of the register and receiver of said land district, dated fourteenth of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, and second of November, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, and made under the provisions of the act of the sixth of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, entitled "An act for the final adjustment of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana," be, and the same are

(a) See notes of the acts for the apportionment of representatives among the several States, according to the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth census; act of Jan. 11, 1802, chap. 1.
hereby, confirmed: Provided, always, That this is only to operate as a quit-claim on the part of the United States.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise disposed of, to be used by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, in paying the expenses of a copy of all the documents of record, and offered before the register and receiver of the New Orleans land district, in support of the claims reported upon by them, and which are not confirmed by this act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That claims numbers two, five, eight, nine, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, sixteen, seventeen, nineteen, twenty-two, twenty-six, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, thirty-eight, forty and forty-six, of the report of the register and receiver of the Ouachita land district, in the State of Louisiana, dated the twenty-fourth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and made under the provisions of the act of the sixth day of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, are hereby confirmed for six hundred and forty acres each.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That numbers one, four, seven, fifteen, eighteen, twenty, twenty-three, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-seven, and forty-eight of said report, are also confirmed, as recommended by the register and receiver; number three, is confirmed to two thousand acres, number twenty-four to one thousand acres, and number forty-five to two hundred acres: Provided, That this act shall amount only to a relinquishment on the part of the United States, and shall in no manner affect the rights of third persons, and, on the presentation to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of a plat of survey duly approved by the surveyor general of the State of Louisiana, the claimant shall be entitled to a patent.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That claims numbers ten, eighteen, nineteen, and twenty, of the list reported by the register and receiver of the land office at Greensburg, formerly St. Helena, under the provisions of the act of Congress of the sixth day of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, entitled "An act for the final adjustment of claims to lands in the State of Louisiana," be, and the same are hereby confirmed; and upon the presentation to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of a plat, approved by the surveyor general of Louisiana, the owner or owners of said claims shall be entitled to a patent.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That claims numbers seven and eight of the list mentioned in the preceding section are also confirmed, giving the right to the claimants to locate the same within one year after the passage of this act, on any public lands subject to sale at private entry, in the district where said claims are situated; which location, approved and certified by the surveyor general of Louisiana to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, will entitle said claimants to a patent: Provided; Said claimants shall, previous to making said location, relinquish to the United States their claims to the lands originally claimed by them.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the claims to land within the district south of Red river, being numbers thirty-three, thirty-five, forty-five, fifty-two, seventy-seven, seventy-nine, eighty-seven, ninety-three, one hundred, one hundred and two, one hundred and three, one hundred and eight, one hundred and twenty-two, one hundred and thirty-two, one hundred and forty-two, one hundred and forty-seven, one hundred and forty-eight, one hundred and fifty-one, one hundred and fifty-two, one hundred and fifty-seven, one hundred and fifty-nine, one hundred and sixty, one hundred and sixty-two, one hundred and sixty-three, one hundred and sixty-four, one hundred and sixty-five, one hundred and sixty-six, of the reports of the register and receiver of the land
office at Opelousas, dated the thirtieth May and sixth June, eighteen hundred and forty, made under the provisions of the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-five, aforesaid, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed: Provided, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall cause a further investigation to be made, and further evidence to be taken, in relation to claim number one hundred and sixty-one of said report; and should it appear that the original claimants actually inhabited and cultivated the lands claimed on and prior to the twenty-second day of February, eighteen hundred and nineteen, then and in that case, the same shall be confirmed, by and with the approbation of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That the following claims in the said reports of the register and receiver of the land office at Opelousas be, and the same are hereby, confirmed, as follows, to wit: Number twenty-nine, to the legal representatives of Joseph Maritaurus; number forty-six, to the extent contained in a league square; number forty-nine, for six hundred and forty acres, to the legal representatives of Bernard Lacroix; number fifty-four, to the legal representatives of J. Baptiste Vallery; number seventy-eight, for six hundred and forty acres, to Oen-zime Guedry, assignee of Nicholas Provost, and six hundred and forty acres to the legal heirs and representatives of Daniel Guedry and Jean Mouton, senior; number ninety-one, for so much as will, with the quantity heretofore confirmed, make the quantity of one league front by the depth of forty arpens; number ninety-nine, for six hundred and forty acres, to embrace the residence and improvements of Hugh Mulbollan on and previous to the twentieth day of December, eighteen hundred and three; number one hundred and fourteen, to the legal representatives of Andre Dumas; number one hundred and fifty-four, to the legal representatives of Antonio Mora; number one hundred and fifty-eight, to the legal representatives of Louis Frizzini; number one hundred and sixty-seven, to Jacob Wallace or his legal representatives.

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of the two preceding sections of this act, which confirm donation claims situate in that part of said land district known as the “neutral territory,” shall not be regarded as extending to any lands which are held by any person by virtue of any bona fide French or Spanish grant, warrant, or order of survey, made prior to the twentieth of December, eighteen hundred and three, heretofore filed, according to law, with any register, or commissioner, or register and receiver of said district: Provided, That the confirmations made by virtue of the two preceding sections shall only operate as a relinquishment of the right of the United States, and shall not affect the right of third persons, nor preclude a judicial decision between private claimants for the same land; and on the presentation, to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of a plat of survey, duly approved by the surveyor general of Louisiana, the claimant shall be entitled to a patent.

APPROVED, July 6, 1842.

Chap. Lxiv.—An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

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 they are hereby, appropriated, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, for the purpose of paying the current expenses of the Indian department, fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes, and contingent expenses, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Statute Ii.
July 17, 1842.
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Appropriations.