

ACTS + Resolutions

OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA,

PASSED IN 1853-4,

IN THE

SEVENTY-EIGHTH YEAR OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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RICHMOND:

WILLIAM F. RITCHIE, PUBLIC PRINTER.

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elected one commissioner of the revenue. The election for the said commissioners shall be held on the fourth Thursday in May eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and their duties commence the first of September eighteen hundred and fifty-four: provided, that the compensation to be allowed to the two commissioners of the said county shall not exceed that now allowed by law to the present commissioner of the said county.

Election, when held.

Pay of commissioners.

3. This act shall be in force from its passage.

Commencement

CHAP. 5.—An ACT giving the consent of the legislature of the state of Virginia to the purchase of lands by the United States for the Washington aqueduct, and ceding jurisdiction over the same.

Passed March 3, 1854.

Whereas the congress of the United States have appropriated the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of supplying the city of Washington with water, upon such plan as the president of the United States may approve; and whereas, by a joint resolution of congress, passed in September eighteen hundred and forty-one, it is provided that no public money shall be expended upon any land or site, hereafter to be purchased for the United States, until the consent of the legislature of the state in which the land or site may be shall be given for such purpose; and whereas it is also made the duty of the secretary or head of the proper department to apply to said legislature for a cession of the necessary jurisdiction over said lands: therefore,

Preamble.

1. Be it enacted by the general assembly of Virginia, that the consent of this state be and is hereby given to the United States to purchase land necessary for an abutment and quarries for the construction of a dam across the Potomac river, above the great falls, not exceeding ten acres, and to exercise, concurrently with the state of Virginia, such jurisdiction over the same as may be necessary: provided however, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to effect in any manner the rights of any individuals or incorporated companies within the limits of this state: provided however, the state of Virginia may resume jurisdiction thereof whenever the federal government shall cease to use it for the purposes of aiding in the supply of water to the said city, or whenever it may become necessary for the safety of the commonwealth, or whenever the general assembly shall think proper.

Consent to purchase of certain lands.

Jurisdiction.

Private rights.

Right to resume jurisdiction.

2. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.

Commencement

CHAP. 6.—An ACT to vest in the United States of America jurisdiction over land on the west shore of the Elizabeth river, and known as the United States naval hospital lands.

Passed February 6, 1854.

1. Be it enacted by the general assembly, that jurisdiction over all the lands, flats and waters adjoining the same, on the west shore of the Elizabeth river, known as the United States naval hospital lands, and occupied for a naval hospital and for other naval purposes, and over the road leading thereto, and which has not heretofore been ceded to the United States, according to the plan furnished by the navy department, and bounded as follows: Beginning at the stone marked A. at pond; thence south, thirty-five degrees east, eleven hundred and twenty-two feet; thence north, fifty degrees west, one hundred and sixty-five feet; thence south, fifty-six degrees west, one hundred and sixty-five feet; thence south, forty-five degrees east, ninety-nine feet; thence south, fifty-four degrees west, one hundred and fifteen and one-half feet; thence north, fifty-one degrees west, one hundred and forty-eight and one-half feet; thence south, fifty-seven and one-half degrees west, four hundred and seventy-eight and one-half feet; thence south, forty-three degrees west, one hundred and ninety-eight feet; thence south, eighty-five degrees west, one hundred and fifteen and one-half feet; thence north, eighty-six degrees west, eighty-two and one-half feet; thence north, eighty degrees west, two hundred and eighty and one-half feet, to stone B; thence north, eighty degrees west, seven hundred and forty-

Jurisdiction granted over certain lands.

Boundary.