

United States, to be dissolved in the same manner as those under process from the respective State courts.

Proviso saving the priority of the United States.

shall hereafter be attached to satisfy such judgment as may be recovered by the plaintiff in such process, and any contingency occurs by which, according to the laws of a State, such attachment would be dissolved upon like process pending in, or returnable to, the State courts, then such attachment or attachments made upon process issuing from, or pending in, the courts of the United States within such State shall be dissolved, the intent and meaning of this act being to place such attachments in the courts of the States and the United States upon the same footing: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall interfere with any existing or future law giving priority in payments of debts to the United States.

APPROVED, March 14, 1848.

March 14, 1848. CHAP. XIX.—*An Act concerning the Courts of the United States in and for the District of Michigan.*

The courts of the United States in Michigan to be held at Detroit on the third Monday in June and second Monday in October, annually.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Circuit and District Courts of the United States for the district of Michigan shall continue to be held in the city of Detroit on the third Monday of June and the second Monday of October in every year, any provision in any act of Congress, heretofore passed, to the contrary notwithstanding; and that all writs, pleas, suits, recognizances, indictments, and all other proceedings, civil and criminal, shall be heard, tried, and proceeded with by the said courts in the same manner and at the same place as heretofore.

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CHAP. XXII.—*An Act for the Relief of the Heirs of John Paul Jones.*

Adjustment of the accounts of the late John Paul Jones.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the accounts of the late Commodore John Paul Jones with the United States be referred to the Secretary of the Treasury, to adjust and pay, out of any money or stock of the United States in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, upon the principles of justice and equity, according to acts in similar cases and applicable thereto.

Prize money to be paid to his heirs, and the seamen and officers under his command.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby instructed to pay to the legal representatives of the said John Paul Jones, and the officers, seamen, and marines of the squadron under his command, being citizens of the United States, or their representatives, out of any moneys or stock of the United States in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, their respective proportions of the value, as estimated by Benjamin Franklin, of three prizes captured by the squadron under the command of the said Jones, and delivered up to Great Britain by Denmark, in seventeen hundred and seventy-nine; to be apportioned on the basis of the distribution of a settlement made with the captors for prizes captured by the said squadron, and received from the court of France, and confirmed by Congress in seventeen hundred and eighty-seven; deducting, however, from the share of Captain Peter Landais the sum received by him or his legal representatives under an act of Congress, approved the twenty-eighth of March, eighteen hundred and six: *Provided*, That, in ascertaining the amount due the heirs of said Paul Jones, if any, no interest shall be allowed on such claim.

Deduction from the share of Captain Landais.

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No interest to be paid to heirs of John Paul Jones.

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