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OF THE

REPUBLIC OF TEXAS

PASSED THE

FIRST SESSION OF THIRD CONGRESS

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Sec. 3. Be it further resolved, That the six pieces of field artillery presented to the Republic by General Chambers, "in token of his devotion to her liberties and national independence," be accepted, and that the thanks of this Congress be tendered to him for the liberal donation.

JOHN M. HANSFORD,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.  
DAVID G. BURNET,  
President of the Senate.

Approved, January 25, 1839.

MIRABEAU B. LAMAR.

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AN ACT

Supplementary to an act entitled an act for the permanent location of the Seat of Government.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Texas in Congress assembled, That the President be, and he is hereby required to have erected at the point which may be selected for the location of the Seat of Government, agreeable to the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, such buildings as he may deem necessary for the accommodation of the fourth annual Congress of this Republic, together with the President and cabinet and other officers of the Government: Provided, Such location should not be made at a point where such buildings can be obtained.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the President, together with his cabinet officers, to proceed to the point selected for the location of the Seat of Government as aforesaid, together with the archives of this Government, previous to the first day of October next, at which place the fourth annual Congress of this Republic shall assemble on the second Monday in November next.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That the sum of twenty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purposes as set forth in this act, and that the secretary of the treasury be, and he is

hereby required to issue upon the order of the President the promissory notes of the Government for the before mentioned amount.

JOHN M. HANSFORD,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DAVID G. BURNET,

President of the Senate.

Approved, January 23, 1839.

MIRABEAU B. LAMAR.

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AN ACT

Entitled an act to repeal certain parts of an act organizing the inferior Courts, and defining the powers and jurisdiction of the same.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Texas in Congress assembled, That the sixth section of the aforesaid act be, and the same is hereby repealed, and that from and after the passage of this act, the chief justices of the respective counties of this Republic shall still sit and exercise the powers of Probate Judges, conservators of the peace, commissioners of roads and revenues, and notaries public.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, all powers and jurisdiction granted by law to the respective county courts of this Republic, not enumerated and defined in this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, the fees to be charged and collected by the respective Probate Judges upon the settlement of all deceased persons' estates in this Republic, shall be one per cent. upon all monies actually received and paid out, when the appraised valuation of an estate shall not exceed ten thousand dollars; all laws heretofore allowing a per cent. upon the appraised valuation of an estate are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, all process heretofore issued for an amount of one hundred dollars and upwards, created by the