

PRIVATE ACTS OF THE THIRTY-SECOND CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES.

Passed at the second session which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the 6th day of December, 1852, and ended Thursday, March 3rd, 1853.

MILLARD FILLMORE, President; WILLIAM R. KING, President of the Senate pro-tem. till December 20, 1852, when he resigned, and DAVID R. ATCHISON, was chosen in his place. LINN BOYD, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAP. II.—*An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a Register to the barque Queen of Dundee, to be called Kate Wheeler.* Dec. 16, 1852.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be issued under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury a register for the barque Queen of Dundee, formerly a British vessel, but now owned by David K. Arey, a citizen of the State of Maine, which vessel was wrecked at Cape Cod, and condemned, and which he has repaired and fitted for sea; said vessel to be called, in the register to be issued, Kate Wheeler; *Provided,* It shall be proved to said Secretary that the cost of the repairs made in the United States, after the purchase of the said vessel by the present owner, exceeds three fourths of the value of the same when so repaired.

Register to issue to the Queen of Dundee and her name changed to Kate Wheeler.

Proviso.

APPROVED, December 16, 1852.

CHAP. V.—*An Act for the Relief of James A. Fawns.*

Dec. 23, 1852.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby directed to adjust and settle the account of James A. Fawns, late acting purser on board the United States brig Bainbridge; allowing to his credit, on the books of the Treasury, the pay and rations of a purser during the time he acted as such.

Settlement of accounts of Jas. A. Fawns.

APPROVED, December 23, 1852.

CHAP. X.—*An Act granting to the Sackett's Harbor and Ellisburg Railroad Company, the Right of Way through the Military Reservation at Sackett's Harbor, New York.* Jan. 7, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the right of way through the public lands of the United States lying in the village of Sackett's Harbor, in the County of Jefferson and State of New York, be, and is hereby granted to the Sackett's Harbor and Ellisburg Railroad Company; *Provided,* That in the opinion of the President of the United States, such grant be not injurious to the public interest, and that the location shall be approved by the President as to the position and width

Right of way granted to the Sackett's Harbor and Ellisburg R. R.

Provisos.

of the said railroad: *And provided further*, That if the said railroad shall not be completed within two years, or if, at any time after its completion, the said railroad be discontinued or abandoned, the grant shall cease and determine.

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

Jan. 7, 1853.

CHAP. XI.—*An Act for the Relief of Osborn Cross, of the United States Army.*

Settlement of accounts of Osborn Cross.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, in adjusting the accounts of Osborn Cross, a quartermaster in the United States army, to give him credit for a sum equal to the amount of the Treasury notes of the United States of which he was robbed, in New Orleans, on the night of the eighth of October, A. D. eighteen hundred and forty-two, to wit: about the sum of six thousand six hundred and three dollars and ninety-two cents, after deducting the amount recovered from the robbers, to wit: about the sum of three thousand three hundred and thirty-eight dollars and forty-five cents, (\$3,338 $\frac{45}{100}$.)

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

Jan. 7, 1853.

CHAP. XII.—*An Act for the Relief of Margaret L. Worth.*

Margaret L. Worth, to be placed on pension roll at \$50 per month from May 7, 1849, for life.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be directed to place the name of Margaret L. Worth, widow of the late Brevet Major-General Worth, on the pension roll, at the rate of fifty dollars a month, from the seventh day of May, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, for and during her natural life.

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

Jan. 13, 1853.

CHAP. XIII.—*An Act for the Relief of John T. Sullivan.*

John T. Sullivan to be paid \$1,670.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General is hereby authorized and required to pay to John T. Sullivan, the sum of one thousand six hundred and seventy dollars, out of the funds of the Post-Office Department, for folding, cutting, and quarter-binding, seventeen thousand five hundred copies of laws and instructions to postmasters, under a contract made with him by the Postmaster-General, dated twenty-seventh of April, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine; and also for folding, stitching, and binding, other laws and regulations subsequent to said contract, and for the storage of said laws.

APPROVED, January 13, 1853.

Jan. 13, 1853.

CHAP. XIV.—*An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a new Register to the ship Prentice, and change her name to that of Leonie.*

Register to issue to the Prentice and her name changed to Leonie.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby authorized to issue a new Register to the American-built ship "Prentice," of Charleston, South Carolina, and to change her name to that of Leonie, said vessel having been burned and rebuilt.

APPROVED, January 13, 1853.

CHAP. XV.—*An Act for the Relief of William Speiden.*

Jan. 13, 1853.

William Speiden allowance to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the Treasury be directed to allow to William Speiden two and a half

per centum upon the amount of military contributions received by him while acting as purser to the United States frigate Congress, and paymaster and commissary to the land forces, on the coast of the Pacific, during the Mexican war, and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated; the said allowance to be in full compensation for all extra services, expenses, and losses, during the period aforesaid, according to the spirit of the act of March third, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, "to provide for the settlement of accounts of public officers and others who may have received moneys arising from military contributions, or otherwise, in Mexico."

1849, ch. 126.

APPROVED, January 13, 1853.

CHAP. XVI.—*An Act for the Relief of Sidney S. Alcott.*

Jan. 13, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Sidney S. Alcott be, and he is hereby authorized to enter, within twelve months after the passage of this act, with the Register of the Land Office at Ionia, in the State of Michigan, the south-east quarter of section thirty-four, township two north, of range five west; or in case the same has already been entered, then the same quantity of land belonging to the United States subject to entry in said district, which shall be in full of all claims by said Alcott against the United States for and on account of the sum of two hundred dollars paid to the receiver of said office for land, in December, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, for which he has received no equivalent.

Sidney S. Alcott allowed to enter a certain quantity of land.

APPROVED, January 13, 1853.

CHAP. XVII.—*An Act granting a Pension to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax.*

Jan. 13, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby directed to place the name of Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax, widow of Mann Page Lomax, deceased, late Major of the Ordnance Corps, United States Army, on the pension roll, at the rate of one half the monthly pay to which her husband was entitled at the time of his death, commencing on the first day of January, A. D. eighteen hundred and fifty, and to continue for and during the term of five years.

Elizabeth V. Lomax to be placed on the pension roll.

1853, ch. 83.

APPROVED, January 13, 1853.

CHAP. XXI.—*An Act for the Relief of Elizabeth Armistead.*

Jan. 20, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be directed to place the name of Elizabeth Armistead, widow of the late General Walker K. Armistead, upon the list of pensioners, and to pay to her a pension at the rate of one-half the pay per month to which her said husband was entitled at the time of his death; said pension to commence on the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, and continue during her natural life or widowhood.

Elizabeth Armistead to be placed on the pension roll.

APPROVED, January 20, 1853.

CHAP. XXII.—*An Act for the Relief of Mrs. E. A. McNeil, widow of the late General John McNeil.*

Jan. 20, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to pay to Mrs. E. A. McNeil, widow of the late General John McNeil, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the arrears of pension claimed by her late husband, at the rate of thirty dollars a month, com-

Mrs. E. A. McNeil to be paid arrears of pension of her husband.

mencing on the twenty-fifth day of July, Anno Domini eighteen hundred and thirteen, being the day on which he was wounded at the battle of Bridgewater, and ending on the thirtieth day of April, Anno Domini eighteen hundred and thirty, being the day on which he resigned his commission in the army.

APPROVED, January 20, 1853.

Jan. 20, 1853. CHAP. XXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of the Heirs or Legal Representatives of Joseph Arnou, deceased.*

Claims of the heirs &c., of Joseph Arnou, to be adjudicated upon and paid.

1834, ch. 87.

Provisos.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Judge of the District Court of the United States, for the Northern District of Florida, be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive and adjudicate the claims of the heirs or legal representatives of Joseph Arnou, deceased, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of the twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, entitled "An Act for the relief of certain inhabitants of East Florida," and that said claims be settled by the Treasury as are other cases under said act: *Provided, however,* That the petition for the allowance of said claims shall be presented to said judge by the proper parties entitled to prefer the same within one year from the passage of this act: *And provided, also,* That said parties shall respectively allege in such petition, and prove to said Judge, reasonable cause for such petition not having been presented within the time prescribed and enacted by said act of June twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and thirty-four: *And provided further,* That the said claims shall not have been previously hereto adjudicated and settled at the Treasury.

APPROVED, January 20, 1853.

Jan. 22, 1853.

CHAP. XXV. — *An Act for the Relief of Philo Smith.*

Philo Smith to be paid \$19.96.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be paid to Philo Smith, of the State of Indiana, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of nineteen dollars and ninety-six cents, for the amount due him as an ordinary seaman on board the Macedonian, as his share of the amount awarded to the captors of certain Algerine vessels under Commodore Decatur.

APPROVED, January 22, 1853.

Jan. 22, 1853.

CHAP. XXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of John J. Sykes.*

John J. Sykes to be paid \$1,298 33.

Vouchers to be first filed for \$446 63 of that sum.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby directed, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay to John J. Sykes, the sum of twelve hundred and ninety-eight dollars and thirty-three cents, (\$1,298 33) being in full for clerk hire, office rent, and salary, as special agent for the Post-Office Department in California: *Provided,* That the sum of four hundred and forty-six dollars and sixty-three cents, (\$446 63) part of the above sum, being for the service of said Sykes as special agent as aforesaid, shall not be paid to him until he shall have filed in the Post-Office Department, such vouchers in proof of his services, as the Postmaster-General shall certify to be satisfactory.

APPROVED, January 22, 1853.

Jan. 22, 1852.

CHAP. XXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of Thomas P. Dudley.*

Thomas P. Dudley to be

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to place the name

of Thomas P. Dudley, of the State of Kentucky, upon the roll of invalid pensioners, at the rate of eleven dollars and twenty-five cents per month, to commence on the eighth day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and to continue during his natural life.

placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$11 25 per month, from Jan. 8, 1849, during his life.

APPROVED, January 22, 1853.

CHAP. XXVIII.—*An Act for the Relief of the Heirs of William McFarland, deceased.* Jan. 22, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any interest which the United States may have in and to a certain tract of land situate in township five, south of range one west, in section three, in the Greensburg land district, in the State of Louisiana, and which tract is laid down in the transcript plat in the General Land-Office, in the names of McFarland and Maillard, as though confirmed, is hereby released to the lawful heirs of William McFarland, of the Parish of East Baton Rouge in said State of Louisiana: *Provided, however,* That nothing in this act shall take away, impair, impede or affect in any way any right, title, interest, claim or recovery of any person or persons whatsoever claiming, or to claim said land.

Certain land released to the heirs of William McFarland.

Proviso.

APPROVED, January 22, 1853.

CHAP. XXXII.—*An Act for the Relief of Jacob J. Storer.* Jan. 25, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, directed to pay to Jacob J. Storer, late acting purser of the United States brig Perry, the sum of thirteen hundred and sixty-one dollars and eighty-two cents, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, it being the amount of pay and rations to which a purser of the navy would have been entitled while performing the same duties.

Jacob J. Storer to be paid \$1,361 82.

APPROVED, January 25, 1853.

CHAP. XXXIII.—*An Act for the Relief of the Widow and Orphan Children of Colonel William R. McKee, late of Lexington, Kentucky.* Jan. 25, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby directed to pay out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twelve hundred dollars to Mrs. J. H. McKee, the widow of Colonel William R. McKee for the use of herself and orphan children of said McKee, it being in payment for a horse killed in battle, and for other property lost in Mexico, and particularly in consequence of said Colonel McKee being killed in the battle of Buena Vista, on the twenty-third day of February, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

Mrs. J. A. McKee to be paid \$1,200 for herself and children.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That to each of the orphan children of the said McKee, there shall be, and hereby is, granted one quarter section of land, to be located upon any vacant land of the United States, and to be located where and in such manner as the President of the United States shall direct.

A quarter section of land granted to each of said children.

APPROVED, January 25, 1853.

CHAP. XXXIV.—*An Act for the Relief of Charles S. Mathews, Charles Wood, and James Hall.* Jan. 25, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay out of any

C. S. Mathews, C. Wood and

James Hall to be paid \$12,119 47 in full.

money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Charles S. Mathews, Charles Wood and James Hall, the sum of twelve thousand one hundred and nineteen dollars and forty-seven cents, (\$12,119 47,) which payment shall be in full satisfaction and discharge of all claims which they or either of them have upon the United States, for or on account of all damages sustained by them growing out of their contract to furnish marble for the basement of the Custom House lately built in the city of New York.

APPROVED, January 25, 1853.

Jan. 27, 1853.

CHAP. XXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of Abigail Stafford.*

Post, p. 871.

Mrs. Abigail Stafford to be paid \$2,000 for supplies furnished by Henry Smith in the revolutionary war.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States pay to Mrs. Abigail Stafford, her heirs or legal representatives, two thousand dollars, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for supplies furnished the army in the revolutionary war, and services rendered by her father, Henry Smith, of Massachusetts, to be paid upon the principles of justice and equity.

APPROVED, January 27, 1853.

Jan. 27, 1853.

CHAP. XXXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of Frances P. Gardiner.*

Pension of Frances P. Gardiner renewed for life.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to renew the pension heretofore allowed and paid to Frances P. Gardiner, and to continue the same for and during her natural life, commencing on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty.

APPROVED, January 27, 1853.

Jan. 27, 1853.

CHAP. XXXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of John W. Quinney, a Stockbridge Indian.*

Payment to be made to John W. Quinney out of moneys due the Stockbridges.

A parcel of land granted to him.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in lieu of all the rights of John W. Quinney in the lands and annuities of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, and in the annuities, money, or land to which said Indians now are or may hereafter be entitled under existing treaties, there shall be paid to the said John W. Quinney, out of the moneys now due and payable to the said Stockbridge tribe of Indians, the sum of one thousand dollars, or so much more or less than that sum as shall be declared to be just and proper by the chiefs and head-men of said Stockbridge tribe; and there shall also be granted to the said John W. Quinney, in fee simple, and to his heirs and assigns forever, the tract or parcel of land now in the possession and occupancy of the said John W. Quinney, in Stockbridge, in the State of Wisconsin, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: bounded on the north by lot number thirty-three, recommended to be patented to Mr. Dinslow, in the Stockbridge treaty of November twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and the United States lot numbered seventy-four; south by lots numbered thirty-seven and seventy, recommended to be patented to Mr. John Dick; east by the military road (so called) passing through the town of Stockbridge, and west by the Winnebago lake — containing three hundred and sixty acres of land, more or less; and it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of the General Land-Office to cause the said piece of land to be surveyed, and to issue to the said John W. Quinney a patent therefor, in accordance with such survey.

APPROVED, January 27, 1853.

CHAP. XXXVIII.—*An Act Granting a Pension to Mrs. Ann C. Belknap.*

Jan. 27, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to place the name of Mrs. Ann C. Belknap, widow of the late brevet Brigadier-General William G. Belknap, on the list of pensioners, and to pay her, per month, at the rate of half the monthly pay to which her late husband was entitled at the time of his death; her said pension to commence on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, and to continue during her widowhood.

Mrs. Ann C. Belknap to be placed on pension roll from January 1, 1852, during her widowhood.

APPROVED, January 27, 1853.

CHAP. XXXIX.—*An Act for the Relief of Nathan Weston, junior, late additional Paymaster in the United States Army.*

Jan. 27, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the government are hereby authorized and directed to pay to Nathan Weston, junior, late paymaster [in the] United States army, the full amount of three months' extra pay, in conformity with the fifth section of an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act supplemental to an act entitled 'An act providing for the prosecution of the existing war between the United States and the Republic of Mexico,' and for other purposes," approved July nineteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

Payment to be made to Nathan Weston, junior.

1848, ch. 104.

APPROVED, January 27, 1853.

CHAP. XLII.—*An Act for the Relief of Jacob Young.*

Feb. 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to place the name of Jacob Young upon the pension roll, and pay to him a pension at the rate of eight dollars per month during his life, said pension to commence on the eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one.

Jacob Young, to be placed on the pension roll at \$8 per month from December 8, 1851, during his life.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

CHAP. XLIII.—*An Act for the Relief of the Heirs of the late Major Thomas Noel, United States Army.*

Feb. 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in the settlement of the accounts of the late Major Thomas Noel, United States army, the proper accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby required to pass to his credit all payments and disbursements which were honestly and faithfully made by him while acting as a disbursing officer, any irregularity or informality in the vouchers by him received and on file to the contrary notwithstanding.

Settlement of the accounts of the late Major Thomas Noel.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

CHAP. XLIV.—*An Act for the Relief of Thompson Hutchinson.*

Feb. 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and required to pay to Thompson Hutchinson, son of Thomas Hutchinson, who was late a revolutionary pensioner of the United States, and who was in error stricken off the pension roll in eighteen hundred and eighteen, the amount of pension which would have been due to him at his death, in February, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, if he had not been erroneously deprived of it; the amount so to be paid to the said Thompson Hutchinson to be com-

Thompson Hutchinson to be paid arrears of pension of Thomas Hutchinson.

puted from the twenty-fourth of July, eighteen hundred and eighteen, the date of his pension certificate, to the first day of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, at the rate of eight dollars a month for that time.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

Feb. 3, 1853. CHAP. XLV.—*An Act for the Relief of Elizabeth Jones and the other Children (if any) of John Carr.*

Elizabeth Jones and others to be paid arrears of pension of John Carr.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and required to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Elizabeth Jones and the other children of John Carr, (if any,) who was a late revolutionary pensioner of the United States, the amount of pension ascertained to have been due to the said John Carr at his death; the amount so to be paid to be computed at the rate of eight dollars a month, from the eighteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and eighteen, to the seventh day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-one.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

Feb. 3, 1853. CHAP. XLVI.—*An Act for the Relief of Mary B. Renner, Administratrix of Daniel Renner, deceased.*

Claim of Mary B. Renner, to be audited.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and required to cause the claim of Mary B. Renner as administratrix of Daniel Renner, deceased, who was surviving partner of the firm of Renner and Heath, composed of the said Renner and Nathaniel H. Heath, which claim arises from the alleged burning of a rope-walk and of seine twine therein, in the District of Columbia, by the public enemy in the month of August, eighteen hundred and fourteen, belonging to said firm; to be audited and settled on principles of equity and justice, looking to the evidence heretofore produced before Congress or the Treasury Department, and there on file, or hereafter to be taken: *Provided,* That the allowance so made shall in no case exceed the sum of six thousand seven hundred and forty-four dollars.

Proviso. Not more than \$6,744 00 to be allowed.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

Feb. 3, 1853. CHAP. XLVII.—*An Act for the Relief of Jim Capers.*

Jim Capers to be placed on roll of revolutionary pensioners at \$8 per month.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to place the name of Jim Capers upon the list of revolutionary pensioners, and to pay him a pension at the rate of eight dollars per month; said pension to commence on the first day of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

Feb. 3, 1853. CHAP. XLVIII.—*An Act for the Relief of the Widows and Relatives of certain Officers and Seamen of the United States brig Washington, who were lost overboard in a hurricane.*

Relief to widows and relatives of the officers and crew

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the same provision as is made by the act entitled "An act for the relief of the widows and orphans of the officers, seamen and marines of the brig-of-war Somers," approved the fourteenth of August, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, be

also extended to the widows and relatives of those officers and seamen of the Washington of the navy attached to the United States brig Washington, who were lost overboard in a hurricane, on the seventh of September, eighteen hundred and forty-six. 1848, ch. 179.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

CHAP. XLIX.—*An Act for the Relief of James Glynn.*

Feb. 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That James Glynn, a commander in the United States navy, shall be entitled to a credit, in the settlement at the Treasury of his accounts as acting purser of the sloop-of-war Preble, while cruising on the western coast of Mexico, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty, of the sum of thirteen hundred and thirty-eight dollars and seventy cents, the said allowance to be in full for losses of public money and other property stolen or embezzled from said vessel during his temporary absence therefrom on official duty.

Settlement of accounts of James Glynn.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

CHAP. L.—*An Act for the Relief of Guion and McLaughlin.*

Feb. 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby directed to pay to E. P. Guion and Benjamin McLaughlin the sum of one thousand six hundred and forty dollars, from the appropriation for mail transportation, being the amount due them, under the equitable terms of their contract with the Postmaster-General, for two months' extra pay, upon the discontinuance of the transportation of the Southern Mail, on route two thousand eight hundred and two, from Raleigh to Fayetteville; on route two thousand eight hundred and eleven, from Fayetteville to Cheraw; and on route three thousand one hundred and one, from Cheraw to Columbia, South Carolina; on the sixth of February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five; the Postmaster-General having only paid the allowance for two months' extra service upon the amount dispensed with, when it should have been upon the whole amount of the contract.

E. P. Guion and Benjamin McLaughlin to be paid \$1,640.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

CHAP. LI.—*An Act for the Relief of Sarah D. Mackay.*

Feb. 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to place the name of Sarah D. Mackay, widow of Alexander D. Mackay, late a lieutenant in the army of the United States, on the pension roll; and that the said Sarah D. Mackay be entitled to receive the sum of fifteen dollars a month during her natural life, to commence on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty.

Sarah D. Mackay to be placed on the pension roll at \$15 per month from January 1, 1850, during her life.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

CHAP. LII.—*An Act for the Relief of Colonel James R. Creecy.*

Feb. 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of five hundred and fifty-two dollars and fifty cents to be paid to Colonel James R. Creecy, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated in consideration of money expended and services rendered by him in raising a regiment for the Mexican war.

Colonel James R. Creecy to be paid \$552 50.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

Feb. 3, 1853. CHAP. LIII.—*An Act for the Relief of William Bedient, late a Sergeant in the Fourth Regiment of Artillery.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to place the name of William Bedient, at present of Newark, in the State of New Jersey, late a sergeant in the fourth regiment of Artillery, on the roll of invalid pensioners, and that he be allowed a pension at the rate of eight dollars per month from the sixteenth day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, to continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

Feb. 3, 1853. CHAP. LIV.—*An Act for the Relief of Margaret Farrar.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Indian Affairs be authorized and required to ascertain the amount of interest, at the rate of six per centum per annum, due and unpaid to Margaret Farrar, a half-breed Indian, under the treaty of eighteen hundred and thirty-six, with the Sacs and Fox Indians, and that said Commissioner cause such sum of money as he may find due (if any) to be paid to said Margaret Farrar, and that the sum of four hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose aforesaid.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

Feb. 5, 1853. CHAP. LV.—*An Act for the Relief of the Heirs of Jeremiah Wingate.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the representatives of Jeremiah Wingate, deceased, late of Florida, be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their title to a certain tract of land containing four hundred and twenty acres, lying on the north side of Naussa River, in the State of Florida, according to the plats and certificate of survey made by George J. F. Clarke, dated the second and twenty-third of December [and] the sixth of October, eighteen hundred and eighteen, now of file in the public archives of East Florida, the said tract being the same confirmed to the said Jeremiah Wingate during his lifetime, on the fifteenth of November, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, by the "Board of Commissioners" appointed to ascertain claims and titles to land in Florida, pursuant to the act entitled "An act granting donations to certain actual settlers in the Territory of Florida," approved May twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and twenty-four; and that the Commissioners of the General Land Office, upon the presentation of the aforesaid plats and certificate of survey of said tract, issue a patent or patents for the same, which patent shall operate as a relinquishment only on the part of the United States.

APPROVED, February 5, 1853.

Feb. 5, 1853. CHAP. LVI.—*An Act for the Relief of the Legal Representatives of Bernard Todd, deceased.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay, out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury, to the legal representatives of Bernard Todd, late of Baltimore County, Maryland, deceased, the sum of four thousand three hundred and fifteen dollars, the same being the appraised value of the buildings of the said Bernard Todd, which were

Wm. Bedient to be placed on pension roll at \$8 per month from June 16, 1849, during his life.

Amount due Margaret Farrar to be ascertained and paid. 7 Statutes at Large, p. 518.

Title of representatives of Jeremiah Wingate to land in Florida confirmed.

1824, ch. 164.

Patent to issue. How to operate.

Representatives of Bernard Todd to be paid \$4,315 00.

burnt by the British forces in September eighteen hundred and fourteen, in consequence of their being used and occupied by troops in the service of the United States for military purposes.

APPROVED, February 5, 1853.

CHAP. LVII. — *An Act for the Relief of Maurice K. Simons.*

Feb. 5, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Maurice K. Simons shall be placed upon the roll of invalid pensioners, at the rate of eight dollars per month during his life, from and after the passage of this act.

Maurice K. Simons to be placed on pension roll at \$8 per month during his life.

APPROVED, February 5, 1853.

CHAP. LVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Brevet Brigadier-General Bennett Riley, and to enable him to Settle his Accounts with the United States.*

Feb. 5, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the Act approved the third of March, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, entitled "An act to provide for the settlement of the accounts of public officers, and others who may have received moneys arising from military contributions or otherwise in Mexico," be, and they are hereby applied to Brevet Brigadier-General Bennett Riley, in reference to all moneys raised and collected by him, for contributions, penalties, internal assessments, duties, or other objects in California, from the commencement of the late war with Mexico, to the twelfth day of November, eighteen hundred and forty-nine; and the said Riley shall account for, settle, and pay into the Treasury of the United States, for general purposes, any balance of moneys shown to be in his hands, upon such settlement; and all papers, vouchers, and other documents connected with the levying and collecting of any money as aforesaid, shall be filed with the accounts rendered for settlement by the said Riley.

Provisions of act of 1849, ch. 126, to be applied to accounts of General Riley.

Said Riley to pay into the Treasury any balance in his hands.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That in settling the accounts of said Riley as aforesaid, the accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby authorized and required to credit him with any sum or sums of money paid or advanced by him for defraying the expenses of the Convention of California, called to frame a State Constitution, and also the sum or sums of money advanced by him, for the relief of destitute overland emigrants to California, and such credits shall be allowed only on the production of proper vouchers, in such form as may be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States; and the said officers of the Treasury shall in said settlement further credit the said Riley, with all sums of money expended by him for the support of the actual government of California after the ratification of the treaty of peace with Mexico, and before the formation of the State Government, and which expenses may appear to have been proper and necessary, but not authorized by any law of the United States; *Provided,* That before crediting him the said last-mentioned expenditures, they shall be approved by the President of the United States.

Said Riley to be allowed his expenses respecting the constitutional convention in California and in relief of over-land emigrants and supporting the government.

Proviso.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That as a compensation for collecting, safe-keeping, and disbursing the said moneys, the said Riley shall be allowed and credited on such settlement, one and a half per cent. upon the moneys so raised and collected by him, and he shall be allowed no other or further compensation therefor.

Compensation of said Riley.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby directed to cause proper defence to be made, at the expense of the United States, to any suit or suits now pending, or that hereafter may be instituted against the said Riley, for any moneys raised and collected by him in California, and to which this act is applicable.

Suits against said Riley respecting money collected by him in California to be defended by the United States.

APPROVED, February 5, 1853.

Feb. 9, 1853.

CHAP. LX.—*An Act for the Relief of Barbara Reily.*

Barbara Reily to be paid arrears of pension of William Reily.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to pay to Barbara Reily, widow of Captain William Reily, an officer of the army of the Revolution, the amount of pension due him from the time he was last paid, to the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

APPROVED, February 9, 1853.

Feb. 9, 1853.

CHAP. LXI.—*An Act for the Relief of C. L. Swayze, in relation to the Location of certain Choctaw Scrip.*

Location of Choctaw scrip, by C. L. Swayze, to be approved.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office be, and he is hereby authorized and required to approve the location of certain Choctaw Scrip, made at the land office at Opelousas, Louisiana, by C. L. Swayze, on the sixth day of August, anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, embracing thirteen certificates, located in township four south, range six east, as per entries thereof: *Provided,* That nothing in this act contained shall operate further than to relinquish the interest of the United States in said land.

Proviso.

APPROVED, February 9, 1853.

Feb. 9, 1853.

CHAP. LXII.—*An Act for the Relief of Joseph M. Wilcoxon, of the State of Missouri.*

Certain land entries in Missouri confirmed to J. M. Wilcoxon.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That entries number twenty-one thousand nine hundred and seventy-seven, and twenty-two thousand one hundred and thirty-eight, of the south half of section three, and the southeast fractional quarter of section nine, on island number nineteen, in township fifty-one, north of range twenty-two west, in the State of Missouri, heretofore made by Joseph M. Wilcoxon, be, and the same are hereby confirmed to the said Joseph M. Wilcoxon, his heirs and assigns, and the title to the said land be, and the same is hereby vested in the said Joseph M. Wilcoxon, his heirs and assigns: *Provided,* That this act shall not be construed to interfere with, or in anywise impair, the rights of third persons in and to the said land or any part thereof.

Proviso.

APPROVED, February 9, 1853.

Feb. 11, 1853.

CHAP. LXIII.—*An Act for the Relief of Asenath M. Elliot.*

Asenath M. Elliot to be placed on pension roll from January 5, 1849, during her life.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be directed to place upon the list of pensioners, the name of Asenath M. Elliot, widow of the late Captain Edward G. Elliot, United States army, and pay to her a pension, at the rate of one-half the pay per month to which her husband, the said Edward G. Elliot, was entitled at the time of his death; said pension to commence on the fifth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, and to continue during her natural life or widowhood.

APPROVED, February 11, 1853.

Feb. 11, 1853.

CHAP. LXIV.—*An Act for the Relief of the Widow of the late John A. Lynch.*

John A. Lynch, payment to widow of.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the widow of the late

John A. Lynch, for his services as a clerk in that department, from the tenth day of August to the seventh day of December, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-six, at the rate of three dollars per day.

APPROVED, February 11, 1853.

CHAP. LXV.—*An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to Issue a Register to the British bark Fanny, under the name of Golden Mirror.* Feb. 11, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he hereby is, authorized to issue to William White, of Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, a register for the British built bark "Fanny," under the name of "Golden Mirror," the said bark having entered Boston in a damaged condition; and was purchased by the said William White, and by him rebuilt or repaired and changed to a ship: *Provided,* That it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury that the repairs upon said bark shall constitute three fourths of the value of the same when so repaired.

Register to issue to the Fanny, under the name of the Golden Mirror.

Proviso.

APPROVED, February 11, 1853.

CHAP. LXVII.—*An Act for the Relief of the Town of Belleview, and the Cities of Burlington and Dubuque, in the State of Iowa.* Feb. 14, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be and hereby is granted to the town of Belleview, in Iowa, the land bordering on the Mississippi River, in front of said town, reserved by the act of second July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, for a public highway, and for other public uses: together with the accretions which may have formed thereto, or in front thereof; to be disposed of in such manner as the corporate authorities of said town may direct. The grant made by this act shall operate as a relinquishment only of the right of the United States in and to said premises, and shall in no manner affect the rights of third persons therein, or to the use thereof, but shall be subject to the same; and on application by a duly authorized agent of the corporate authorities of said town to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, a patent of relinquishment, in accordance with the provisions of this act, shall be issued therefor, as in other cases.

Grant to Belleview, Iowa, of land reserved by act of 1836, ch. 262.

Patent to issue and its effect.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That there shall be and hereby is granted to the cities of Burlington and Dubuque, in Iowa, the land bordering on the Mississippi River, in front of said cities, reserved by the act of second July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, for a public highway, and for other public uses, together with the accretions which may have formed thereto or in front thereof; to be disposed of in such manner as the corporate authorities of said cities may direct.

Grant to Burlington and Dubuque, Iowa, of land reserved by act of 1836, ch. 262.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the grant made by this act shall operate as a relinquishment only of the right of the United States in and to said premises, and shall in no manner affect the rights of third persons therein, or to the use thereof, but shall be subject to the same; and on application by a duly authorized agent of the corporate authorities of said cities to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, a patent of relinquishment, in accordance with the provisions of this act, shall be issued therefor, as in other cases.

Grant, how to operate.

Patent to issue.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the lot or parcel of land in the city of Dubuque heretofore set apart and used by the authorities of said city as a cemetery or burying ground, under the act of Congress of the second July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An act for the laying off the towns of Fort Madison and Burlington, in the county of Des Moines, and the towns of Belleview, Dubuque, and Peru, in the county of Dubuque, Territory of Wisconsin, and for other purposes,"

Land in Dubuque, Iowa, reserved by act of 1836, ch. 262, and 1837, ch. 36, granted to the city.

and the act of the third of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, amendatory thereof, be and the same hereby is granted to the Common Council of the said city of Dubuque, to make such disposition of the said land included in said cemetery or burying ground as that Common Council may deem proper.

APPROVED, February 14, 1853.

Feb. 14, 1853.

CHAP. LXVIII.—*An Act Granting the Right of Way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, and for Other Purposes.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the right of way, sixty feet in width, through the lands in which the St. Louis arsenal, the St. Louis marine hospital, and Jefferson barracks are situated, in the State of Missouri, be and the same is hereby granted to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, for the construction of a railroad from the city of St. Louis through said lands: *Provided*, That the location of said road through the lands aforesaid shall be made subject to the approval of the Secretary of War: *Provided further*, That said location can be made without injury to the public interest in the opinion of the said Secretary of War.

Right of way at St. Louis granted to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad.

Provisos.

Right of way at Cleveland granted to the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad, and to the Cleveland, Painesville and Ashtabula Railroad.

Provisos.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the right of way be and the same is hereby granted to the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad Company, and also the right of way to the Cleveland, Painesville, and Ashtabula Railroad Company across the hospital grounds, so called, belonging to the United States, in the city of Cleveland, in the State of Ohio; the width of each of said roads across said hospital grounds not to exceed sixty feet where said roads are now respectively located: *Provided*, That said conveyances can, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Treasury, be made without detriment to the interests of the United States: *And provided further*, That the said grant shall be and is hereby made subject to such conditions as the said Secretary of the Treasury shall impose on the said companies respectively, for the protection and security of the grounds from abrasions by the waters of Lake Erie: *And provided further*, That whenever the said roads shall be discontinued or abandoned, or the conditions of this grant shall be violated, all rights under this act shall cease and determine.

Right of way across the Allegheny arsenal grounds granted to the Allegheny Valley Railroad.

Provisos.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the right of way shall be and hereby is granted to the Allegheny Valley Railroad Company for the road of the said company over and across the grounds of the United States at and near the Allegheny arsenal, in the county of Allegheny, and State of Pennsylvania: *Provided*, That the route of the said railroad across the said grounds shall be approved by the Secretary of War before the same is entered upon for the purpose of constructing said railroad: *And provided further*, That the same can be granted without detriment to the public interest in the opinion of the Secretary of War.

APPROVED, February 14, 1853.

Feb. 14, 1853.

CHAP. LXX.—*An Act for the Relief of John Millar.*

Certificates of registry may be issued to vessels of John Millar, built in the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whereas John Millar, formerly of Belfast, Ireland, but now of the city and county of New York, in the State of New York, merchant, has, according to law, declared his intentions to become a citizen of the United States, the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to issue certificates of registry to such vessels built in the United States, as may be owned in whole or in part by the said John Millar, which said certificates shall have the same force and effect during five years from the time of

the passage of this act, and no longer, as though issued to a citizen of the United States: *Provided*, That before issuing said certificates, the said John Millar shall file with the Secretary of the Treasury, a duly certified copy of his said declaration of intentions to become a citizen of the United States: *And provided also*, That if the said John Millar shall not, during the said five years, become such citizen, the certificate issued under this act shall be void.

Provisos.

APPROVED, February 14, 1853.

CHAP. LXXI.—*An Act to change the Name of the Steamboat Forest City.*

Feb. 14, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the owners of the steamboat "Forest City," be, and they are hereby authorized to change the name of the said boat to that of "Bay City," and to make a new registry of said boat in that name, at the port of Detroit, in the State of Michigan.

Name of the Forest City changed to that of the Bay City. New Registry.

APPROVED, February 14, 1853.

CHAP. LXXII.—*An Act for the Relief of Captain George P. Smith.*

Feb. 14, 1853.

Whereas it appears that George P. Smith, late a Quartermaster in the army of the United States, with the rank of captain, was taken prisoner, and the train, baggage and public property under his charge were captured, and his vouchers and papers destroyed:

Preamble.

Therefore, Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That George P. Smith, late an assistant Quartermaster in the army of the United States, with the rank of captain, be, and is hereby released from the bond executed by him for the discharge of his duties as Quartermaster, and that he be discharged from all responsibility on his official bond aforesaid.

Captain George P. Smith released from his bond as Quartermaster.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Treasurer of the United States pay to the said George P. Smith, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two hundred dollars, for so much money paid and expended by the said George P. Smith of his private means, for the use of the United States.

\$200 to be paid to him for his expenditures for the United States from his private money.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent the said George P. Smith from receiving full pay as a Quartermaster in the army of the United States, during the time he was in service.

His pay as Quartermaster to continue.

APPROVED, February 14, 1853.

CHAP. LXXIII.—*An Act to Provide for the Payment of the Companies of Captains Bush, Price, and Suarez, for Military Services in Florida.*

Feb. 14, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War cause to be paid one half of the pay and allowances of mounted troops to the following militia forces of the Territory of Florida, for the period of their respective service, as hereinafter specified, to wit:

One half of the pay and allowances of mounted troops to be allowed to the companies of Captain Bush.

Captain Bush's company of mounted troops from the twenty-fifth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to the twenty-fifth day of January one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine; Captain Price's company of mounted troops from the twentieth day of January, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, to the twentieth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine: Captain Suarez's company of mounted troops from the twentieth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to the twentieth day of January, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

Captain Price.

Captain Suarez.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the muster-rolls according to which the above payments shall be made, shall be sworn to by the captain or senior surviving officer in Florida of each company, and approved by the Governor of that State.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That so much money as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 14, 1853.

Feb. 14, 1853. CHAP. LXXIV.—*An Act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a Register to the American built Steamship Albatross.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized to issue to Simeon Draper, a citizen of New York, a register for the American built steamship Albatross, said ship having been sold to a citizen of Great Britain, and reconveyed to said Simeon Draper.

APPROVED, February 14, 1853.

Feb. 14, 1853. CHAP. LXXV.—*An Act for the Relief of John Williams.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to place the name of John Williams, late a marine in the service of the United States, upon the list of pensioners, and to pay him a pension for entire disability; said pension to commence on the fifth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and continue during his life.

APPROVED, February 14, 1853.

Feb. 16, 1853. CHAP. LXXVII.—*An Act for the Relief of Rosanna Sowards.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to place the name of Rosanna Sowards, of the county of Lawrence, in the State of Ohio, upon the pension roll, and pay her at the rate of eight dollars per month for five years, commencing on the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two.

APPROVED, February 16, 1853.

Feb. 16, 1853. CHAP. LXXVIII.—*An Act for the Relief of Joseph Morehead.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury be and they hereby are directed to pay unto the legal guardian or guardians of Joseph Morehead, late a passed midshipman in the United States navy, now a confirmed lunatic, the furlough pay of a passed midshipman, from the fifteenth of February, eighteen hundred and forty, when he was dismissed, as if he had not been dismissed from the navy, and were on furlough for life.

APPROVED, February 16, 1853.

Feb. 26, 1853. CHAP. LXXXIII.—*An Act for the Relief of Mary W. Thompson, and Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax, and Mrs. A. M. Dade.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be directed to place the name of Mary W. Thompson, widow of Lieutenant-Colonel Alexander Thompson, upon the pension roll, and pay

to her, during her widowhood, the pension heretofore allowed to her, to commence on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two; and the pension heretofore allowed to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax, widow of Mann P. Lomax, late Major of the Ordnance Corps, shall commence on the twenty-seventh day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-two, and continue for and during her widowhood. And, that the Secretary of the Interior be directed to place the name of A. M. Dade, widow of Major F. L. Dade, deceased, late of the United States army, on the pension roll, from the twenty-eighth December, eighteen hundred and forty, for and during her natural life, at the same rate of pension she has heretofore received.

Ante, p. 743.

APPROVED, February 26, 1853.

CHAP. LXXXIV.—*An Act for the Relief of Josiah P. Pilcher, late a private in Company F, second Kentucky regiment Volunteers, in the war with Mexico, and for other purposes.* Feb. 26, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper officers of the government allow and pay to Josiah P. Pilcher, late a private in company F, second Kentucky regiment volunteers, his regular pay from the seventh of July, eighteen hundred and forty-six, until the date of the discharge of his company; and also, that he be paid his mileage from New Orleans home, as others of his company were paid; also, that he be paid his clothing pay; also, that he be paid three months' extra pay; also, that the proper officers issue to him a land warrant for one hundred and sixty acres.

Payment to
Josiah P. Pilcher.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That five years' half-pay be granted to Christine Barnard, the widow of the late Brevet Major Moses J. Barnard, captain in company H, regiment of Voltigeurs, who rendered gallant services in the Mexican war, and who died of a disease greatly enhanced by the hardship, exposure and fatigue of the campaign; said half-pay to commence with the day of his death, the fourth July, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, and to be held by her or by her children, according to the provisions of the general laws now in force, made in reference to the widows and children of those who died from wounds or disease received or contracted during said war.

Payment to
Christine Barnard.

APPROVED, February 26, 1853.

CHAP. LXXXV.—*An Act for the Relief of B. B. Bennett.*

March 2, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this bill, the name of B. B. Bennett shall be placed upon the roll of invalid pensioners, at the rate of eight dollars per month, for and during his life.

B. B. Bennett
to be put on pension roll.

APPROVED, March 2, 1853.

CHAP. LXXXVI.—*An Act for the Relief of Frances E. Baden.*

March 2, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to place the name of Frances E. Baden upon the pension roll, and pay her the half pay of a major in the United States army, for five years; her pension to commence on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

Frances E. Baden
to be placed
on pension roll.

APPROVED, March 2, 1853.

March 2, 1853.

CHAP. LXXXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of Edward Box.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, directed to place the name of Edward Box, of Tennessee, upon the revolutionary pension roll, at the rate of six dollars and sixty-six and two third cents per month, to commence on the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-two, and to continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, March 2, 1853.

March 2, 1853.

CHAP. LXXXVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Benjamin S. Roberts.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to Benjamin S. Roberts, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the full amount of his pay and subsistence as a second lieutenant in the first regiment of dragoons, from the twenty-eighth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, when he was coerced to resign his commission of second lieutenant in the first regiment of dragoons, without authority of law, until the twenty-seventh day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, when he was restored to the army, by being appointed senior first lieutenant in the regiment of mounted riflemen.

APPROVED, March 2, 1853.

March 2, 1853.

CHAP. XCII. — *An Act authorizing the Selectmen of the town of Chelsea, in the State of Massachusetts, to lay out and make a way on lands of the United States in said town.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the selectmen of the town of Chelsea, in the State of Massachusetts, be, and they hereby are, authorized and empowered to lay out and make a way or street, not exceeding fifty feet in width, over the lands of the United States, situated in Chelsea, in said Commonwealth, north of the marine hospital; said way or street to connect the east end of Third street with the west end of Middlesex street, in the village of Chelsea: *Provided,* That said right of way can, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Treasury, be granted without prejudice to the public interests; and if hereafter said way shall be discontinued, the right hereby granted shall revert to the United States.

APPROVED, March 2, 1853.

March 2, 1853.

CHAP. XCV. — *An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a Register to the Bark "May, of Baltimore."*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and hereby is, authorized to issue a register to William Alexander, of Baltimore, Maryland, for the British bark "Brazil Packet, of Liverpool," under the name of the "May, of Baltimore," said bark having been libelled, condemned and sold for supplies furnished her in a foreign port, and was purchased by the said William Alexander, an American citizen: *Provided,* it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of said Secretary, that the repairs put on said bark, after the purchase aforesaid, by the said purchaser, shall constitute two thirds of her value when repaired.

APPROVED, March 2, 1853.

CHAP. XCIX.— *An Act to Incorporate the Sisters of the Visitation of Washington, in the District of Columbia.* March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Eliza Matthews, Eleanor Cummings, Mary O. Stonestreet, Mary Stubbs, Sarah Mitchell, Eliza Snowden, Ann O'Hare and Ann R. Osborn, with such female associates as now are or may hereafter become sisters or lay-sisters of the Visitation, according to the rules and by-laws thereof which have been or which may be hereafter established, and their successors, be, and they hereby are, made a body politic and corporate forever, by the name of "The Sisters of the Visitation of Washington," for purposes of charity and education; and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend; may have and use a common seal, and the same alter and renew at pleasure; may adopt and establish rules, regulations and by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of the United States, for properly conducting the affairs of the corporation; may take, receive, purchase and hold estate, real, personal and mixed, not exceeding in value one hundred and fifty thousand dollars at any one time, and manage and dispose of the same at pleasure, and apply the same, or the proceeds of the sales thereof, to the uses and purposes of the association, according to the rules and regulations which now are or which may hereafter be established.

Corporators.

Corporate name.
Object and powers of the corporation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That Congress may at any time amend or repeal this act. Subject to alteration and repeal.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. C.— *An Act for the Relief of Catharine Proctor Hayden, only child and heir of John White, deceased, late a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Fourth Georgia Battalion of the Revolutionary Army.* March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Catharine Proctor Hayden, only child and heir of John White, deceased, late a lieutenant-colonel in the fourth Georgia battalion of the revolutionary army, the sum of six thousand seven hundred and three dollars and fifty-seven cents, the said principal sum being the amount found due to said John White, by the proper accounting officers of the Treasury, for the seven years half pay of the said John White, and for advances made by him to the government during the revolutionary war, and for which treasury certificates were improperly issued to Susanna Richardson and John Richardson, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-three.

Payment to Catharine P. Hayden.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CI.— *An Act for the Relief of John Charles Fremont, late Lieutenant-Colonel in the Army of the United States.* March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, and he is hereby authorized and required, to liquidate and satisfy the judgment, damages, and costs recovered, and such expenses in defence of said suit as the Secretary of the Treasury shall deem reasonable, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, which has been recovered, or may be recovered, against John Charles Fremont, late a lieutenant-colonel in the army of the United States, by Anthony Gibbs and Sons, assignees of F. Huttman, in her Britannic Majesty's court of exchequer, at Westminster, in England, on four several bills of exchange, or each and every of them, drawn by the said John Charles Fremont at Ciudad de los Angeles, in

John C. Fremont, to be indemnified from a certain suit by A. Gibbs and Sons.

the then Upper California, on the eighteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, amounting in all to nineteen thousand five hundred dollars, in favor of one F. Huttman, for moneys advanced for the public service, the said bills having been drawn on James Buchanan, Secretary of State, and payment refused by him for want of any appropriation out of which the same could be paid, and the said Fremont being sued in London for the same: *Provided*, That before the payment of the same, or any part thereof, the Secretary of the Treasury shall be satisfied that the amount has been expended for the benefit of the public service.

Proviso.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CV.—*An Act for the Relief of L. M. Goldsborough, and Others.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be, and they are hereby authorized and required to allow and pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to L. M. Goldsborough, G. J. Van Brunt and S. F. Blunt, for expenses incurred by them, respectively, while serving upon a joint commission of army and navy officers in California and Oregon, during the years eighteen hundred and forty-nine and eighteen hundred and fifty, double the pay of a commander in the navy, in sea service, during the exact time of their employment on said coasts as aforesaid, to wit: from the first of April, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, to the twenty-seventh of November, eighteen hundred and fifty, deducting therefrom the regular pay accruing to said officers during that period.

Payment to L. M. Goldsborough, G. J. Van Brunt, and S. F. Blunt.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That each of the three army officers, J. L. Smith, C. A. Ogden, and D. Leadbetter, of the corps of Engineers, who were associated with the said navy officers in the joint duty aforesaid, be allowed and paid, as aforesaid, commutation of fuel and quarters from the first of April, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, to the twenty-seventh of November, eighteen hundred and fifty, equal in amount to the allowance authorized to a major of the army on duty at San Francisco during that time; deducting therefrom the commutation to which they would have been entitled respectively, at their posts in the Atlantic States.

Payment to J. L. Smith, C. A. Ogden, and D. Leadbetter.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CVI.—*An Act for the Relief of the Legal Representatives of Walter Colton.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, directed to pay to the legal representatives of the late Walter Colton, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seven thousand eight hundred and sixty-five dollars and thirty-three cents, the same being the amount deposited by said Colton in the Treasury of the United States, above the net amount for which the prize ship Admittance was purchased by his agent.

Payment to the representatives of Walter Colton.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CVII.—*An Act for the Relief of Jacob Shade, Jr.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, directed to place the name of Jacob Shade, Jr., of the State of Virginia, upon the invalid pension roll, at the rate of eight dollars per month, to commence on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, and to continue during his natural life.

Jacob Shade, Jr., to be placed on pension roll at \$8 per month, from January 1, 1852, for life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CVIII.—*An Act for the Relief of James Wright, Junior.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and hereby is authorized and directed to place the name of James Wright, Junior, of Sullivan County, in the State of Tennessee, on the roll of invalid pensioners, and that he be allowed a pension of five dollars and thirty-three cents a month, from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty, to continue during his natural life.

James Wright, Jr., to be placed on the pension roll at \$5.33 per month, from March 4, 1840, for life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CIX.—*An Act for the Relief of Gardner Herring.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to place the name of Gardner Herring, of the State of Ohio, upon the invalid pension roll, at the rate of eight dollars per month, to commence on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-five, and to continue during his natural life.

Gardner Herring to be placed on the pension roll at \$8 per month from January 1, 1845, for life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CX.—*An Act to increase the Pension of Henry Click, of Cocke County, Tennessee.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby directed to increase the pension of Henry Click, who was placed upon the pension roll of invalid pensioners by an act entitled "An act for the relief of certain invalid pensioners therein named," and approved on the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, to eight dollars per month, during his natural life, such increase commencing on the first of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

Pension of Henry Click to be increased to \$8 per month from January 1, 1848, for life.
1833, ch. 109.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXI.—*An Act for the Relief of Jasper A. Maltby.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Pensions be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue to Jasper A. Maltby, his heirs or assigns, a certificate or warrant for one hundred and sixty acres of land, in conformity with an act of eleventh February, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, entitled "An act to raise for a limited time, an additional military force, and for other purposes."

Land warrant to issue to Jasper A. Maltby.

1847, ch. 8.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXII.—*An Act for the Relief of Cornelius Hughes, of Tennessee.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to place the name of Cornelius Hughes, of Green County, in the State of Tennessee, on the roll of invalid pensioners, and that he be allowed a pension of five dollars thirty-three and one third cents per month from the twenty-first day of February, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, to continue during his natural life.

Cornelius Hughes, to be placed on pension roll at \$5.33 per month, from February 21, 1848, for life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXIII.—*An Act for the Relief of Harlow Spaulding.*

Harlow Spaulding, payment to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby authorized and required to pay to Harlow Spaulding, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the usual compensation allowed naval storekeepers in foreign places, for the time he acted in that capacity at Port Mahon and at Spezzia, after deducting the amount received by him as compensation for his services as clerk.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXIV.—*An Act for the Relief of John Huffington.*

John Huffington, payment to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby directed to pay, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to John Huffington, the sum of two thousand dollars in full compensation for the loss of the schooner Relief, sunk in eighteen hundred and twenty-two, while in the employ of the United States in transporting stone to the Rip Raps; but no interest shall be allowed on said sum.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXV.—*An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act for the Relief of Joseph Johnston," approved May fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, by correcting a clerical error.*

Clerical error in act of 1852, ch. 27, corrected.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the clerical error in the aforesaid act be corrected by making the name of Joseph Johnston to read Joseph Johnson, which was intended; and that all the benefits of said act shall accrue to, and the same be, and hereby are, extended to said Joseph Johnson.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXVI.—*An Act for the Relief of Mary Baury.*

Mary Baury to be placed on the pension roll at \$600 a year, from June 25, 1850, for life.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby directed to place on the roll of Revolutionary pensioners the name of Mary Baury, of Boston, Massachusetts, widow of Louis Baury, who served three campaigns as captain of grenadiers during the Revolutionary war, and to pay her a pension at the rate of six hundred dollars per annum from the twenty-fifth day of June, eighteen hundred and fifty, and to continue during her natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXVII.—*An Act for the Relief of John Kerbaugh.*

John Kerbaugh to be placed on the pension roll at \$5.33 per month, from January 1, 1848, for life.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to place the name of John Kerbaugh, of the State of Tennessee, on the roll of invalid pensioners, and that he be allowed a pension of five dollars and thirty-three cents a month, from the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, to continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Lewis H. Bates and William Lacon.* March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to audit and allow the claim of Lewis H. Bates and William Lacon, or either of them, for losses and damages sustained by them by the proceedings of the custom-house officers at New York, in exacting from them, upon certain importations of iron into that port, made between the first day of June, eighteen hundred and twenty-nine, and the first day of January, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, higher duties than were required by law, and in seizing and libelling some of said goods upon refusal of said Bates and Lacon to enter the same as subject to such higher duty, and for certain costs of court paid by them and not reimbursed; the sum so allowed to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided, however,* That no other or greater sum is to be allowed them under this act than will reimburse to them certain costs and expenses actually paid by, and not repaid to them, in the various suits touching said importations, and certain sums paid by them for the storage of the said goods while kept out of their possession, and will indemnify them for the damage they sustained by the detention of the money exacted of them by the collector, over and above the duty required by law; allowing for such detention interest not exceeding the rate of six per centum per annum, from the time it was paid by them until it was refunded.

Claim of Lewis H. Bates and William Lacon to be audited and paid.

Proviso.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of S. Morris Waln.* March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to pay to S. Morris Waln, who survived Henry Percival, lately in partnership under the firm of S. Morris Waln and company, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the amount of duties paid on one hundred and sixty quarter casks, and sixty-two Indian barrels of Malaga wine, imported in December, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, in the brig Canning; one hundred and eighty-nine quarter casks of Malaga wine, imported in May, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, in the brig Virginia; nine pipes and one quarter cask of Madeira wine, imported in September, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, in the brig Forest; ninety-nine casks of Oporto wine, imported in the brig Elbe, via New York, and re-shipped under bond, per schooner Perseverance, to Philadelphia, in December, eighteen hundred and thirty-three; and seven pipes and seventeen hogsheads of Sicily Madeira wine, imported via Boston, and re-shipped under bond, per brig Echo, to Philadelphia, in June, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, which wines were destroyed in Philadelphia, by fire, while in store in the custody of the custom-house: *Provided,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be furnished with satisfactory proof that the goods were so destroyed by fire, and were not insured.

Duties to be refunded to S. M. Waln.

Proviso.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXX. — *An Act for the Relief of James H. Jenkins.* March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby directed to pay to James H. Jenkins, late contractor for carrying the mails, out of any moneys appropriated for the transport-

James H. Jenkins to be paid \$3,198.

ation of the mails, the sum of three thousand one hundred and ninety-eight dollars, for damages actually incurred by him, by reason of an order of the postmaster changing the route upon which he had contracted to run between Knoxville and Sparta, Tennessee.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXI. — *An Act for the Relief of Robert Gibson.*

Robert Gibson to be placed on the pension roll at \$6 per month, from January 1, 1852, for life.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby directed to place the name of Robert Gibson, of Greenbriar County, Virginia, upon the roll of invalid pensioners, at the rate of eight dollars per month, to commence on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, and to continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXII. — *An Act for the Relief of Ursula E. Cobb.*

Ursula E. Cobb to be placed on navy pension roll at \$10 per month from May 9, 1848, for five years.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to place the name of Ursula E. Cobb, widow of the late Charles Cobb, gunner in the navy of the United States, upon the list of naval pensions, and to pay her a pension at the rate of ten dollars per month, to commence on the ninth day of May, eighteen hundred and forty eight, and to continue for and during the term of five years.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Cornelius Covert, of Michigan.*

Cornelius Covert to be paid \$396 per annum on a mail contract.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Cornelius Covert, of the State of Michigan, out of the revenues of the Post-Office Department, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of three hundred and ninety-six dollars per annum, for the transportation of the mail on route number three thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven, from Marshall to Centreville, in the State of Michigan, instead of two hundred and nineteen dollars, for and during the term of his contract, made and entered into in the year eighteen hundred and fifty.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXIV. — *An Act for the Relief of Moses Olmstead and Mrs. Elizabeth Craig.*

Moses Olmstead to be placed on pension roll at \$8 per month, from January 20, 1853, for life.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be authorized and directed to place the name of Moses Olmstead on the list of invalid pensioners, and to pay him, during his life, a pension of eight dollars per month; said pension to commence on the twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three.

Mrs. Elizabeth Craig to be placed on pension roll.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Interior be authorized and required to place the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Craig, widow of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Lewis Craig, of the United States army, who was killed in California about the first day of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, on the pension roll, at the rate of one-half the pay her husband was receiving at the time of his death: this allowance to commence from the said first day of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, and to continue to her during her widowhood; and should she

marry again, or die, while her daughter, now living, shall be a minor, the same allowance shall be made to said daughter during her minority.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXV.— *An Act for the Relief of George Poindexter.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Quarter-master General of the United States, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be ascertained the amount justly due and owing to George Poindexter for the use and occupation of his property, by the volunteers from the State of Kentucky, mustered into the service of the United States, for the war in Mexico, and that the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the amount so ascertained to be due, to be paid to the said Poindexter, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That the same do not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, the amount awarded.

Claim of George Poindexter to be audited and paid.

Proviso.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXVI.— *An Act for the Relief of Mary Pearson.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby directed to place on the roll of revolutionary pensioners the name of Mary Pearson, of Newberry, Massachusetts, widow of Silas Pearson, and pay her a pension at the rate of twenty-four dollars per annum, to commence on the sixteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and continue during her natural life.

Mary Pearson to be placed on pension roll at \$24 a year, from March 16, 1848, for life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXVII.— *An Act for the Relief of Henry Miller, a soldier of the War of*

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eighteen hundred and twelve. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the name of Henry Miller, a soldier in the service of the United States, in the late war with Great Britain, be placed on the roll of invalid pensions, at the rate of eight dollars per month, commencing on the fourteenth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

Henry Miller to be placed on pension roll at \$8 per month, from August 14, 1847.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXVIII.— *An Act for the Relief of William J. Price.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That William J. Price be, and he is hereby confirmed in his title to a certain tract of land situate in the county of Jackson, State of Alabama, on the waters of Jones's Creek, known as William Jones's Reservation, it being the place first settled by William Jones, and, after his death, transferred by his widow and heirs at law to said William J. Price: *Provided,* That this confirmation shall only operate as a relinquishment on the part of the United States, and shall not affect the rights of any minor heir or heirs, or of third persons.

Tract of land confirmed to William J. Price.

Proviso.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853. CHAP. CXXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of Gilman Smith, of Sycamore, in the State of Illinois.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby directed to place the name of Gilman Smith, of Sycamore, in the State of Illinois, on the roll of invalid pensioners, and pay to him the sum of eight dollars a month, from the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and to continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853. CHAP. CXXX. — *An Act granting a Pension to Elizabeth Monroe.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and hereby is granted to Elizabeth Monroe, widow of Thomas J. C. Monroe, late of the army of the United States, for the space of five years, to commence from the first day of January, anno Domini, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, a pension, payable semi-annually, equal to one half the pay to which the said Thomas J. C. Monroe was entitled at the time of his decease, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853. CHAP. CXXXI. — *An Act for the Relief of Maria Taylor*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Mrs. Maria Taylor, wife of William R. Taylor, of the parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, claiming in her own right a certain tract of land situated in the parish of Ascension aforesaid, near its upper limits, on the left bank of the river Mississippi, containing eleven and a half arpents front by forty in depth, bounded above by the land of late Jean Louis Parent, and below by the land of late Pierre Prospere, together with the tract immediately adjacent to and back of said front tract, containing a front of twelve arpents, by forty additional arpents depth, with such diverging of the lateral lines as to embrace an area of five hundred acres, be and she is hereby, confirmed in the title thereto: *Provided,* That this act shall only be construed as a relinquishment of the government of all claim to said tract of land: *And provided also,* That this act shall not operate against the claim of any third person to said tract of land.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853. CHAP. CXXXII. — *An Act for the Relief of Betsey Norton.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place the name of Betsey Norton, widow of Freeman Norton, upon the list of revolutionary pensioners, and to pay her the sum of eight dollars per month, commencing on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-three.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853. CHAP. CXXXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Mary Woodward.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and is hereby authorized and required to place the name of Mary Woodward, who is the widow of the late Lieutenant Kirby S.

Mary Woodward to be placed on the pension roll at \$30 per month.

Woodward, of the United States revenue service, who was drowned at the mouth of the Klamath River, coast of California, on or about the fifth day of November, eighteen hundred and fifty, on the pension roll, at a compensation of thirty dollars per month, commencing with the said fifth of November, eighteen hundred and fifty, and to continue to her during her widowhood, and after her death or intermarriage to be paid to her children, until they respectively arrive at sixteen years of age, agreeably to the provisions of the act of eleventh August, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXXIV. — *An Act for the Benefit of John Ozias.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Treasurer of the United States is hereby authorized to pay to John Ozias, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated by law, the sum of two hundred dollars, the amount paid by him on the thirty-first October, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, for a quarter section of land which the government had sold to another.

John Ozias, payment to.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of William H. Wells, and others.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, directed to issue a land warrant for one hundred and sixty acres of land to William H. Wells, Edmund Wells, and Sally Wells, heirs at law of Lemuel Wells, deceased, to be located on any of the unappropriated lands of the United States which have been offered for sale and are subject to private entry, at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, which shall be in full compensation for all services rendered by said Lemuel Wells, deceased, as a soldier in the late war with Great Britain.

Land Warrant to issue to Wm. H. Wells, Edmund Wells and Sally Wells.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of Nathan H. Darling.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby authorized and required to place the name of Nathan H. Darling, of Lake county, in the State of Illinois, on the roll of invalid pensioners, at the rate of eight dollars per month, to commence on the fifth day of April, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, and to continue during his life.

Nathan H. Darling to be placed on pension roll at \$8 per month, from April 5, 1852, for life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXXVII. — *An Act to authorize the issuing of a Register to the Brig Boundary, and to change the Names of the Steamers Roger Williams and Propeller Ontario.*

March 3, 1853.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be issued under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, a Register for the Brig Boundary, formerly a British vessel, now owned by B. B. Titcomb, an American citizen, of Newburyport, Massachusetts, which vessel put into said port in distress, and was purchased by said Titcomb, in the winter of eighteen hundred and fifty-one: *Provided,* That it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury that the cost of the repairs of said vessel made in the United States subsequent to that time,

Register to issue to the Brig Boundary.

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by the present owner, is equal to three fourths of the value of such a vessel built in the United States.

Name of the Roger Williams changed to El Paraguay.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the owners of the Steamboat "Roger Williams" be, and they are hereby, authorized to change the name of said boat to that of "El Paraguay," and that the owners of the Propeller Ontario be, and they are hereby authorized to change the name of the said Propeller to the "Carrier Pigeon."

Name of the Ontario changed to the Carrier Pigeon.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXXXVIII. — *An Act authorizing the Adjustment and Payment of the Claims of William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, for losses sustained by him during the War of the Revolution.*

Claim of the late Major Wm. H. Wigg to be settled.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, adjust and settle the claims of Major William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, late of the State of South Carolina, for losses sustained by him, the said Wigg, while retained as a hostage by the British officers during the war of the revolution.

Mode of settlement.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said accounting officers, in the adjustment of the said losses, shall, and they are hereby directed to allow the said Wigg the sum of thirty-seven thousand one hundred and ninety-seven dollars, with legal interest from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, until the day of stating the account of said losses.

Amount due to be paid to Wm. H. Wigg, the grandson.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to pay to William Hazzard Wigg, the grandson of the said William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, the amount that shall be ascertained to be due on account of said losses, including the interest, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CXLI. — *An Act to Incorporate the Georgetown and Catocin Railroad Company.*

Right of way granted.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever the State of Maryland shall by law incorporate a company to lay out and construct a railroad, from any point, in connection with the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, at or near the Point of Rocks, to Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, the right of way, not exceeding sixty-six feet wide, be and is hereby granted to such company: *Provided*, That before any such road, depots, and its necessary fixtures shall be located in Georgetown, the assent of said city shall first be obtained: *And provided, also*, That the same provisions for the condemnation of, and payment for, land, or other private property for the use of the said road, as may be made by any act for the incorporation of such company by the State of Maryland shall be and hereby are extended to the condemnation of and payment for land or other private property for the use of the said road within the District of Columbia.

Provisos.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

CHAP. CLII. — *An Act for the Relief of the Southern Michigan Railroad Company.*

Payment to the Southern Michigan Railroad.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be authorized, and is hereby directed, to pay to the Southern Michigan Railroad Company, out of any money not otherwise appropriated, the sum of nine hundred and seventy-one dollars and forty-three cents, for services in the transportation of the great Northern mail from Toledo to Hillsdale, beyond Detroit, in the State of Michigan.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

RESOLUTIONS.

[No. 2.] *Joint Resolution authorizing the Settlement of the Account of the Public Printer, for Paper used by him since the first of November, eighteen hundred and fifty-two.* Dec. 23, 1852.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounts of the Public Printer, for paper furnished and used by him since the expiration of the time specified in the sixth section of the "Act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the thirtieth of June eighteen hundred and fifty-three," and also for the paper to be furnished and used by him until the Superintendent of the Public Printing shall commence furnishing and delivering to him paper to be used for the public printing, be settled and paid as the accounts of the Public Printer have been settled and paid, under the said sixth section of said act, and as is provided for in said sixth section.

Settlement of certain accounts of public printer.

APPROVED, December 23, 1853.

[No. 7.] *A Resolution for Surrendering the Site of the old Oglethorpe Barracks to the City Council of Savannah, Georgia.* Jan. 20, 1853.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby authorized, to convey to the City Council of Savannah, Georgia, the site of the old Oglethorpe Barracks adjacent to said city; which said site has long been abandoned by the Government, and in consideration of the liberality of said city, in surrendering to the Government heretofore certain lands now known as the new barracks in said city.

Site of the Oglethorpe barracks, to be conveyed to Savannah, Georgia.

APPROVED, January 20, 1853.

[No. 9.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Alexander Y. P. Garnett.* Feb. 3, 1853.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy cause to be paid to Alexander Y. P. Garnett the sum of one hundred and sixty-six dollars and ten cents, for his services as surgeon on board the Ship Cyane, from the first day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, to the sixth day of August of the same year, in addition to any sum or sums which may have been paid said Garnett as assistant surgeon on account of his services.

A. Y. P. Garnett, to be paid \$166.10.

APPROVED, February 3, 1853.

[No. 10.] *Joint Resolution granting the Petition of William and Matthew Moss.* Feb. 5, 1853.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to adjust and settle the account of William and Matthew Moss, contractors for carrying the mail on route number five thousand nine hundred and ninety-one, at the rate

Accounts of William and Matthew Moss, as mail contractors, to be audited and paid.

of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, from the first day of July, eighteen hundred and fifty, in the same manner as if that sum had been the consideration stipulated in the contract, instead of the sum of seven hundred dollars, for which their bid was erroneously made and a contract executed.

APPROVED, February 5, 1853.

Feb. 26, 1853.

[No. 11.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of J. P. Converse, of Ohio.*

J. P. Converse
to be paid \$636.
98.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be and is hereby authorized and directed to pay to John P. Converse, of Ohio, out of the money of the Post-Office Department, the sum of six hundred and thirty-six dollars and ninety-eight cents, (\$636.98,) as compensation for his per diem services, and travelling and other expenses, whilst acting as a special agent for the Post-Office Department.

APPROVED, February 26, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

[No. 16.] *A Resolution for the Relief of the Heir of John De Neufville and Son.*

Payment to Mrs.
Anna C. De
Neufville Evans.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby directed to allow and pay Mrs. Anna C. De Neufville Evans, the heir of John De Neufville and Son, in addition to eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven dollars and sixty cents, or twenty-one thousand nine hundred and nineteen florins, allowed by joint resolution of the third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, upon the report of the Comptroller to the Senate, the following sums, to wit: the share awarded to De Neufville and Son in the damages as part-owners of the ships Aurora and Liberty, the charges for lighter-hire, stay-days, travelling to the Texel, &c.; the charges for delivering of the goods, storage, &c.; the charges for journey to Paris, of Major Jackson and Leonard De Neufville, to obtain Doctor Franklin's acceptance of bills. The amount of these four charges is three thousand three hundred and fifty-eight dollars and sixty cents, or seven thousand two hundred and sixty-one florins; also the balance due by the accounts and papers in the State Department, on notarial agreement dated the twenty-eight December, seventeen hundred and eighty-one; the florin to be calculated at forty-six and one quarter cents; and interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from the time the debt was contracted to the day of payment; and the former partial settlement of the Comptroller to be corrected upon the above basis, as to the value of the florin and interest, the gratuity of three thousand dollars made the family of De Neufville, in seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, not to be taken from this claim.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

March 3, 1853.

[No. 17.] *A Resolution for the Relief of the heir of John De Neufville and Son.*

Payment to Mrs.
Anna C. De
Neufville Evans.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby directed to allow and pay Mrs. Anna C. De Neufville Evans, the heir of John De Neufville and Son, in addition to the eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven dollars and sixty cents, or twenty-one thousand nine hundred and nineteen florins, allowed by joint resolution of the third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, upon the report of the Comptroller to the Senate, the following sums, to wit: the share awarded to De Neufville and Son in the damages as part-owners of the ships Aurora and Liberty, the charges for lighter-hire, stay-days, travelling to the Texel, &c.; the charges for delivering of the goods, storage, &c.; the charges for journey to Paris, of Major Jackson

and Leonard De Neufville to obtain Dr. Franklin's acceptance of bills. The amount of these four charges is three thousand three hundred and fifty-eight dollars and sixty cents, or seven thousand two hundred and sixty-one florins, also the balance due by the accounts and papers in the State Department, on notarial agreement dated the twenty-eighth December, seventeen hundred and eighty-one; the florin to be calculated at forty-six and one quarter cents; and interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from the time the debt was contracted to the day of payment; and the former partial settlement of the Comptroller to be corrected upon the above basis, as to value of the florin and interest, the gratuity of three thousand dollars made the family of De Neufville, in seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, not to be taken from this claim.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

[No. 18.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of Thompson Barnett.*

March 3, 1853.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be and he is hereby directed and authorized to pay to Thompson Barnett, of Logansport, Indiana, out of the funds of his department, one hundred and twenty-three dollars and seventy-five cents, (\$123.75) in full for services rendered by said Barnett in carrying the mail from Logansport to Winnimac, Indiana, from July first, eighteen hundred and forty-two, to February sixteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-three.

Thompson Barnett to be paid \$123.75, for mail service.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

[No. 19.] *A Resolution for the Relief of the Estate of Isaac L. Battle.*

March 3, 1853.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the estate of Isaac L. Battle, deceased, late of the County of Jackson, in the State of Florida, be and the same is hereby released from any liability under a judgment heretofore obtained by the Post-Office Department against him as guarantor on behalf of Charles Matthews and William King, late of said county and State, as bidders for a contract to carry the United States mail, three times a week each way between Bainbridge, in the State of Georgia, and Pensacola, in the State (then Territory) of Florida, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

Estate of Isaac L. Battle released from a judgment.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

[No. 20.] *A Resolution for the Relief of the Heirs of David Corderoy.*

March 3, 1853.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper officers of the Treasury ascertain and pay to the legal representatives of David Corderoy, deceased, the value of a certain reservation of six hundred and forty acres as unimproved land at the date of the treaty of eighteen hundred and thirty-five, which reservation was allowed under the eighth article of the treaty of eighteen hundred and seventeen, and thirteenth article of the treaty of eighteen hundred and thirty-five, made with the Cherokee Indians, and that the amount so ascertained, without interest, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Payment to legal representatives of David Corderoy.

APPROVED, March 3, 1853.

