

CHAP. XCIII. — *An Act for the Relief of John Y. Sewell.*

March 2, 1861.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That John Y. Sewell, for services in the restoration of the United States mail lost from the steamer Southerner on the coast of Washington Territory, and for expenses incurred in obtaining the same from the Indians who had it in their possession, be, and he is hereby, allowed the sum of one thousand dollars in full for his claim therefor, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 2, 1861.

Payment to John Y. Sewell for services in recovering a lost mail.

CHAP. XCIV. — *An Act for the Relief of Mrs. Mary Ann Henry.*

March 2, 1861.

*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 required to place the name of Mrs. Mary Ann Henry, of Pennsylvania, widow of the late Captain Henry Henry, of the United States navy, on the naval pension roll, at the rate of twenty dollars per month, to commence from the first January, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, the date of her application, and to continue during her life, unless she shall again marry, in which case the pension shall cease from the date of said marriage.

APPROVED, March 2, 1861.

Naval pension to Mary Ann Henry.

CHAP. XCV. — *An Act for the Relief of Simon de Visser and Jose Villarubia, of New Orleans.*

March 2, 1861.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That Simon de Visser and Jose Villarubia, jr., merchants of New Orleans, be, and they are hereby, released from the payment of all claims, penalties, and forfeitures which may legally exist against them, in favor of the United States, arising out of frauds committed in the custom-house of New Orleans by one Charles Meteye, they having been judicially declared to be entirely innocent of said frauds; and especially [that] they be released from the penalties and forfeitures claimed by reason of said frauds in two suits now pending in the district court of the United States for the eastern district of Louisiana, in which the United States are plaintiffs, and said de Visser and Villarubia are defendants: *Provided,* That the said defendants shall pay all costs incurred in said suits, and that the rights of the United States against said Charles Meteye be, and they are hereby, expressly reserved: *And provided further,* That the intent and meaning of this act shall in no case be construed into a release of the said Simon de Visser and Jose Villarubia of or from any duties justly chargeable upon the goods and merchandise entered in their behalf by the said Charles Meteye, in the absence of any fraud attempted or committed in their entry by the said Meteye.

APPROVED, March 2, 1861.

Simon de Visser and Jose Villarubia released from certain penalties.

To pay costs.

Meaning of this act.

CHAP. XCVI. — *An Act for the Relief of John H. Wheeler.*

March 2, 1861.

*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, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay to John H. Wheeler, late minister resident of the United States at Nicaragua, the sum of five thousand seven hundred and fifteen dollars and twenty cents, in full for losses by exchange, for property destroyed at Granada, expenses incurred in taking testimony at San Juan del Norte, and for relief extended to distressed American citizens crossing the Isthmus during the interval between

Payment to John H. Wheeler for losses and expenditures.