

Aug. 14, 1876.

CHAP. 276.—An act for the relief of Elisha E. Rice.

Payment to E. E. Rice.

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, authorized to allow and pay to E. E. Rice, late United States consul at Hakodadi, Japan, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, the sum of five hundred and eighty-five dollars and forty-one cents, being ten per centum of his salary as consul at said port from July first, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, to November third, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, that being the usual allowance for rent of that consulate.

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CHAP. 277.—An act for the relief of Berthold Loewenthal, of Chicago Illinois.

Payment to B. Loewenthal.

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 to Berthold Loewenthal, of Chicago, Illinois, the sum of fourteen thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars, or so much thereof as the said Loewenthal shall prove to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, that he has expended in the purchase of revenue-stamps used by him to stamp manufactured tobacco and snuff, upon which a tax had previously been paid, under the revenue-law in force at the time of their manufacture and sale, but which were made liable to be stamped under the act of July twentieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, thus requiring a double tax on the same tobacco and snuff; said payment to be made out of any money in the United States Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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CHAP. 278.—An act for the relief of Harry E. Eastman, late lieutenant-colonel Second Regiment Wisconsin Cavalry Volunteers.

Payment to H. E. Eastman.

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 to Harry E. Eastman, of Green Bay, Wisconsin, the sum of six hundred and thirty-nine dollars and eight cents, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated; the same being in full satisfaction of his claim for pay as lieutenant-colonel of the Second Wisconsin Cavalry Volunteers.

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CHAP. 279.—An act for the relief of James W. Harvey and James Livesey, of the firm of Harvey and Livesey, of Wisconsin.

Claim of Harvey and Livesey, referred to Court of Claims.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the claim of James W. Harvey and James Livesey for alleged labor done and materials furnished under their contract with the United States for the building of the masonry work for the piers and abutments of the bridge across the Mississippi river from Rock Island to Davenport, Iowa, bearing date June first eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, be, and the same is hereby, referred to the Court of Claims, for hearing and adjudication; and to that end jurisdiction is hereby conferred on said court to proceed in the adjustment of the accounts between said claimants and the United States, as a court of equity jurisdiction, and may, if according to the rules and principles of equity jurisprudence, in its judicial discretion reform said contract and render such judgment as justice and right between the claimants and the said Government may require.

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