

so far as they affect John Hollins McBlair; and the President can, if he so desire, in the exercise of his own discretion and judgment, nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint said John Hollins McBlair, late a first lieutenant in the Fifteenth United States Infantry Regiment, to the same grade and rank of first lieutenant in the Army of the United States in the infantry service, and to place him upon the retired list of the Army as of the date of April eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, with the pay of his grade and rank from April thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, and with a full discharge from all liability for any sums paid to or received by him previously to said date.

Pay, etc.

Received by the President February 7, 1891.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

February 20, 1891.

**CHAP. 247.**—An act for the relief of T. A. Kendig.

Theodore A. Kendig.  
Payment to.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the sum of three thousand five hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fifty-nine cents be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay Theodore A. Kendig, surviving partner of the copartnership of T. A. Kendig and J. C. McManus, for one month's extra pay on mail routes numbered eighty-one hundred and sixty-six and eighty-one hundred and sixty-seven, on which the service of carrying the mail was discontinued by order of the Postmaster-General on May thirty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, which sum of three thousand five hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fifty-nine cents was allowed for payment by order of the Postmaster-General, dated the first day of December, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine; and that the sum so appropriated be made immediately available.

Approved, February 20, 1891.

February 21, 1891.

**CHAP. 253.**—An act for the relief of John W. Blake.

John W. Blake.  
Pay, etc., 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 directed to pay to John W. Blake, of the city of Indianapolis, State of Indiana, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the pay and allowances of a captain of infantry in the volunteer service from the twenty-third day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, to the twenty-first day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, less any amounts paid him during said term, which shall be in full payment of all claims which the said John W. Blake may have against the Government of the United States for back pay.

Approved, February 21, 1891.