

CHAP. 503.—An Act Granting an increase of pension to Stephen P. Choate.

March 3, 1899.

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 on the pension roll, subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension laws, the name of Stephen P. Choate, late of Company K, Twenty-seventh Regiment Michigan Volunteer Infantry, and pay him a pension at the rate of thirty dollars per month in lieu of the pension now received by him.

Approved, March 3, 1899.

Stephen P. Choate.
Pension increased.

CHAP. 504.—An Act For the relief of the heirs of Neil McEneny, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

March 3, 1899.

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, instructed to issue to the heirs of Neil McEneny, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, a duplicate in lieu of United States four per centum coupon bond issued under the Acts of July fourteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy, and January twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, numbered one thousand eight hundred and five, for five hundred dollars, with interest coupons attached, dated October first, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, and subsequently, said bond and interest coupons having been destroyed by the Johnstown flood May thirty-first, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine: *Provided,* That the said heirs shall first file in the Treasury a bond in the penal sum of double the amount of said destroyed bond and interest coupons, with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, conditioned to indemnify and save harmless the United States on account of said destroyed bond and coupons.

Neil McEneny.
Issue to heirs of,
duplicate of lost bond.

Proviso.
Indemnity bond.

Approved, March 3, 1899.

CHAP. 505.—An Act For the relief of Homer D. McGraw, Lee County, Alabama.

March 3, 1899.

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 Homer D. McGraw, of Lee County, Alabama, the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars and ninety cents, to reimburse said McGraw for the like sum of money which he, as the owner and operator of distillery numbered thirty-nine, situated near Opelika, Lee County, Alabama, on the fourth day of April, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, sent to the collector for the district of Alabama, at Birmingham, Alabama, to pay the tax on three packages of spirits, numbered ninety-six, ninety-seven, and ninety-eight, at that time in the bonded warehouse of the said Homer D. McGraw, but before the said tax-paid stamps were received by said McGraw, and before said spirits were released from said warehouse, such warehouse was consumed by fire, supposed to be of incendiary origin, and said three packages of spirits for which said stamps were bought were consumed, and the stamps never canceled.

Homer D. McGraw.
Reimbursement of,
for revenue stamps.

Approved, March 3, 1899.

CHAP. 506.—An Act Granting an increase of pension to William W. Patterson.

March 3, 1899.

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 on the

William W. Patterson.
Pension increased.