

PRIVATE ACTS OF THE THIRTEENTH 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 sixth day of December, 1813, and ended the eighteenth day of April, 1814.

JAMES MADISON, President; E. GERRY, Vice President, and President of the Senate; J. B. VARNUM, President of the Senate, pro tem., from the 17th of December to the 28th of January; JOHN GAILLARD, President of the Senate, pro tem., on the 18th of April; HENRY CLAY, Speaker until the 17th of January; LANGDON CHEVES, Speaker from the 25th of January, 1814.

STATUTE II.

CHAP. III.—*An Act for the relief of Richard Dale.*

Jan. 11, 1814.

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 navy department be, and they are hereby authorized and required to settle and adjust the account of Richard Dale, and pass to his credit the amount of such sea stores as may have been furnished him by the United States while he was commander of the United States' ship the Ganges: *Provided,* The said Richard Dale will relinquish all claims to the rations to which he may be entitled.

Allowance for sea stores.

APPROVED, January 11, 1814.

CHAP. VI.—*An Act granting Moses Hook the right of pre-emption.*

STATUTE II.

Jan. 25, 1814.

Be it enacted, &c., That Moses Hook, of the Mississippi territory, shall have the right of pre-emption to three hundred acres of land, including his improvements, and designated on the plat or map of the township as number fourteen: *Provided,* The said Moses Hook enter the said tract of land with register of the land office for the land district west of Pearl river, and make the first payment for the same within six months from the passage of this act, and complete his payments as prescribed by law.

Right of pre-emption granted to him.

APPROVED, January 25, 1814.

CHAP. X.—*An Act for the relief of Daniel Boone.*

STATUTE II.

Feb. 10, 1814.

Be it enacted, &c. That Daniel Boone be, and he is hereby confirmed in his title to one thousand arpens of land, claimed by him by virtue of a concession made to him under the Spanish government, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of January, 1798, and it shall be the duty of the recorder of land titles for the territory of Missouri, to issue to the said Daniel Boone, or to his heirs, a certificate in the same manner, and of the same description, as the said Daniel Boone would have been entitled to receive, if his claim to the said land had

Title to a tract of land confirmed.

been confirmed by the commissioners appointed for the purpose of ascertaining the rights of persons claiming land in the territory of Louisiana, or by the recorder of land titles for the said territory of Missouri.

APPROVED, February 10, 1814.

STATUTE II.

Feb. 12, 1814.

CHAP. XII.—*An Act for the relief of William Stothart and Josiah Starkey.*

Be it enacted, &c., That William Stothart and Josiah Starkey, who imported into the United States from the united kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the month of January or February, eighteen hundred and thirteen, on board the Tyber, twenty-eight bales of merchandise, shall be entitled to, and may avail themselves of, the provisions of the act entitled "An act directing the secretary of the treasury to remit fines, forfeitures, and penalties, in certain cases," passed on the second day of January, eighteen hundred and thirteen, in the same manner, and to the same extent, as if the said merchandise had been shipped within the time limited by the said act.

APPROVED, February 12, 1814.

May avail themselves of the benefits of act of 2d Jan. 1813, ch. 7.

STATUTE II.

Feb. 19, 1814.

CHAP. XIII.—*An Act for the relief of William Piatt.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the proper accounting officers of the war department be, and they are hereby authorized to adjust and settle the claim of William Piatt, and allow him the pay and emoluments of a deputy quartermaster-general in the army of the United States, from the seventeenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, until the twenty-seventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, the amount whereof shall be paid to the said William Piatt, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 19, 1814.

Account to be settled and paid.

STATUTE II.

March 9, 1814.

CHAP. XXII.—*An Act for the relief of Henry Fanning.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the secretary of the treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to cause to be discharged from his imprisonment, Henry Fanning, of the city of New York: *Provided, however,* That any estate, real or personal, which the said Henry Fanning may have or hereafter acquire, shall be liable to the satisfaction of the said judgment, in the same manner as if he had not been imprisoned and discharged: *And provided further,* That nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to affect the liability of any co-obligor that may have been bound with the said Henry Fanning for the payment of any money to the United States.

APPROVED, March 9, 1814.

To be discharged from imprisonment.

STATUTE II.

March 9, 1814.

CHAP. XXIII.—*An Act for the relief of James Crawford.*

Be it enacted, &c., That James Crawford be, and he is hereby confirmed in the purchase of the west half of section number twenty-nine, in township number seven, of range number two, in the district of lands offered for sale at Steubenville: *Provided,* That the said James Crawford shall complete the payment of the purchase money for the land contained in the south-west quarter of the aforesaid section, at the price per acre, and on the terms and conditions specified in the certificate of the register of the land office, for the west half of the said section, bearing date April fourth, one thousand eight hundred and eleven; and shall also complete the payment for the north-west quarter of said section, at the price of eight dollars an acre. The instalments of the purchase money for the said north-west quarter shall be considered as due

Land purchase confirmed.

and becoming due on the respective days specified for making payment in the aforesaid certificate of the register; and the sum of three hundred and twenty dollars, paid on account of the purchase money of the said north-west quarter, and which became forfeited by non-payment of part of the purchase money, shall, by the register and receiver of public moneys for the said district, be placed to the credit of the said James Crawford, and be considered as part of the purchase money for the said north-west quarter section; and the said James Crawford, his heirs, or assigns, shall be entitled to a patent for the land contained in the west half of the aforesaid section, on his completing the payment of the purchase money, according to the provisions of this act.

APPROVED, March 9, 1814.

CHAP.—XXIV.—*An Act to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the Town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia.*

STATUTE II.
March 9, 1814.

Company incorporated.

Be it enacted, &c., That those who shall become subscribers to the company, their successors and assigns, shall be, and are hereby created, a body politic, by the name and style of the "Fire Insurance Company of Alexandria;" and shall by that name have succession, and shall be able to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, in all courts of law in the United States.

Books of subscription to be opened.
Commissioners.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That a subscription be opened in the town of Alexandria, under the direction of James B. Nicholls, Cuthbert Powell, Jonah Thompson, Thomas Vowell, and James H. Hooe, George Taylor, John M'Kinney, Philip Triplett, Craven T. Peyton, and Nathaniel Wattles, or a majority of them, for raising a capital stock of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, in shares of twenty-five dollars each; and that each person, upon subscribing, pay to the persons above-mentioned five dollars upon each share so subscribed for; and that the remainder of the said twenty-five dollars shall be secured by negotiable notes, signed and indorsed to the satisfaction of the aforesaid James B. Nicholls, Cuthbert Powell, Jonah Thompson, Thomas Vowell, and James H. Hooe, George Taylor, John M'Kinney, Philip Triplett, Craven T. Peyton, and Nathaniel Wattles, or a majority of them; and payment thereof may be thereafter demanded at such times, and in such proportions, as the president and directors hereafter mentioned shall judge advisable, giving six weeks' notice in at least three of the gazettes printed in the district of Columbia.

Regulations in relation to votes,

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That every subscriber shall be entitled to vote by himself, his agent, or proxy, appointed under his hand and seal, attested by two witnesses, at all elections made by virtue of this act, and shall have as many votes as he holds shares, as far as ten shares; one vote for every five shares which he may hold over ten shares, as far as fifty other shares; and one vote for every thirty shares which he may hold over sixty shares. And every stockholder (not in debt to the company) may at pleasure, in person, or by power of attorney, assign and transfer his stock in the company, on the books of the same, or any part thereof not being less than a whole share; but no stockholder indebted to the company shall be permitted to make a transfer, or receive a dividend, until such debt is paid, or secured to the satisfaction of the president and directors.

and to the transfer of shares.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That as soon as five thousand shares shall be subscribed, the persons hereby authorized to receive subscriptions shall call a meeting of the subscribers, giving two weeks' notice in three of the papers printed within the district; and the subscribers who shall assemble in person, or by proxy, shall choose by ballot, from among the stockholders, by a majority of votes, twelve directors, who shall continue in office until the first Monday in No-

When the company is to be organized.

Proceedings at
the elections.

umber, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, on which Monday in November in every succeeding year thereafter, an election shall be held for twelve directors as aforesaid, who shall continue in office for one year from the time of their election, and until others be chosen in their stead. And the said directors, at their first meeting, shall choose amongst themselves, or the stockholders at large, a president, and allow him a reasonable compensation for his services; and in case of death, removal, resignation, or other disqualification of the president, or any of the directors, the remaining directors may elect others to supply their place during the remainder of the term for which they were chosen; and in every case where one of the directors shall be chosen president, the vacancy shall be supplied as in the case of death, removal, or resignation. That the persons hereby authorized to receive subscriptions, or any three of them, be a committee to superintend the first election of directors, and a committee of five stockholders, not being directors, be appointed by the directors to superintend every succeeding election.

President and
directors may en-
act by-laws.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the president and directors shall have authority to ordain and make such by-laws, ordinances, and regulations, as shall appear necessary for regulating and conducting the concerns of the company, not being contrary to this act, or the laws and constitution of the United States. And the funds of the company, as they shall arise, may be vested in the stock of any of the banks in the United States, such personal property or ground-rents as the president and directors shall judge most advantageous: *Provided always, and be it enacted*, That the funds and property of this company, of whatever description, are declared to be liable to attachment and execution for debt, in like manner as personal property.

Proviso.

To what extent
the members of
the company lia-
ble for losses,
&c., &c.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the members of the company shall not be liable for any loss, damage, or responsibility, other than the property they have in the capital and funds of the company, to the amount of the shares respectively held by them, and any profits arising therefrom not divided: *Provided*, That the said corporation shall, from time to time, apply all sums of money received by them for premiums to the payment of losses in the first instance, and to make up the amount of their original capital whenever it shall have suffered any diminution by losses, and that dividends shall be made of the net profits arising on the capital stock, at such periods as the president and directors may judge proper, not oftener than once in six months; and the same shall be paid to the stockholders, or their legal representatives; but if a dividend shall be at any time declared of a greater amount than the net proceeds of the said company at the time of making the same, each and every director that consented thereto shall, and is hereby declared to be liable for, in his individual capacity, and bound to contribute to make good the deficiency in the capital stock occasioned by such improper dividend.

Proviso.

President and
directors have
power to dispose
of unsubscribed
shares, &c., &c.
Other powers
given to them.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the president and directors shall have the disposal, direction and management of those shares which may not be disposed of at the formation of the company, and power also to provide, by purchase or otherwise, a suitable place for an office; to make all rules and regulations for conducting the business of insurance and the concerns of the company, not provided for by this act; to appoint a secretary and such other officers as they may find necessary, and to make such compensation for their services as they may deem proper. That they shall have full power and authority to make insurances against fire, on any and every description of property: all policies of insurance and other contracts made by said company, signed by the president, and countersigned by the secretary, shall be obligatory on said company, and have the same effect as if the said policies and contracts had been attested by a corporate seal.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted,* That all losses arising on any insurance, shall be adjusted by the president and directors agreeably to the terms of the policy, and paid out of the joint funds and property of the company. That the president and directors shall make a full and fair statement of the affairs of the company every six months, and a dividend of the profits.

By what rules losses arising on insurances are to be settled.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted,* That in case any action shall be prosecuted on any insurance made by virtue of this act, it shall be deemed sufficient service of such process to leave a copy thereof with the president or secretary for the time being; and all recoveries had, in any such action or actions, shall be conclusive on the company, so far as to render the stock and property of the company liable, and no further.

What shall be deemed sufficient service of notice to make the company liable.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That this act shall be and continue in force for and during the term of twenty years from and after the passing thereof, and until the end of the next session of Congress.

APPROVED, March 9, 1814.

CHAP. XXX.—*An Act for the relief of Isaac Clason.*

STATUTE II.

March 24, 1814.

Certain duties refunded.

Be it enacted, &c., That there be paid to Isaac Clason, of the city of New York, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury of the United States, the sum of eighteen thousand nine hundred sixty-three dollars sixty-eight cents, in full of the sum of money which has been paid into the treasury by the said Isaac Clason, for duties on a cargo of sugar imported by him into New York, in August, one thousand eight hundred and five, from Havanna; which sugar he exported to Amsterdam in the ship *Ambition*, in the month of September then next following: *Provided,* That prior to the payment of the above mentioned sum of money to the said Isaac Clason, satisfactory proof be exhibited to the comptroller of the treasury, that the said cargo of sugar was landed in some foreign port or place.

APPROVED, March 24, 1814.

CHAP. XXXIII.—*An Act supplementary to an act entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Wilson."*

STATUTE II.

March 28, 1814.

Account to be revised. Act of April 8, 1812, ch. 52.

Be it enacted, &c., That nothing in the act to which this [is] a supplement shall be so construed as to prevent the accounting officers of the treasury department from inspecting and revising the account of Thomas Wilson as settled by the accountant of the department of war.

APPROVED, March 28, 1814.

CHAP. XXXIV.—*An Act for the relief of Mary Philip Le Duc.*

STATUTE II.

March 28, 1814.

To be paid for his services as translator.

Be it enacted, &c., That the sum of six hundred dollars be paid out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to Mary Philip Le Duc, as an additional allowance for his services as translator to the board of land commissioners at St. Louis, and as a full compensation therefor.

APPROVED, March 28, 1814.

CHAP. XXXV.—*An Act for the relief of Joshua Sands, late collector of the customs for the port of New York.*

STATUTE II.

March 28, 1814.

Account to be settled, and credit allowed.

Be it enacted, &c., That the accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby required, in liquidating and settling the accounts of Joshua Sands, late collector of the customs for the port of New York, to allow him credit for the sum of twenty-nine thousand

four hundred and seventy-seven dollars and fifty-nine cents, being the amount of debentures paid by the said Sands on merchandise shipped to New Orleans between the first day of July, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, and the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred.

APPROVED, March 28, 1814.

STATUTE II.

March 28, 1814.

CHAP. XXXVI.—*An Act concerning Shawneetown.*

Site for a town to be laid out.

Be it enacted, &c., That a tract of land not exceeding two sections, in the Illinois territory, adjoining Shawneetown, shall, under the directions of the surveyor-general, be laid off into town lots, streets, and avenues, and out-lots, in the same manner, under the same restrictions, as are prescribed by the sixth section of the act entitled "An act providing for the sale of certain lands in the Indiana territory, and for other purposes," approved the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ten. And it shall be the duty of the surveyor-general, or the person by him authorized to carry this act into effect, to select the two sections so as to extend the said town to the high lands in the rear of the town as it is now laid out.

Act of April 30, 1810, ch. 35.

Lots to be offered for sale. Act of April 30, 1810, ch. 35.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the lots in said town shall be offered for sale at the same time, and on the same terms and conditions as are provided by the sixth section of the before recited act.

APPROVED, March 28, 1814.

STATUTE II.

March 31, 1814.

CHAP. XL.—*An Act for the relief of Samuel Ellis.*

Indemnification to be allowed.

Be it enacted, &c., That the secretary of the treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to allow Samuel Ellis, of the district of Maine, who acted in the year one thousand eight hundred and eight as deputy marshal under Thomas G. Thornton, marshal of the said district, such indemnification as he, the said secretary, shall deem adequate, for damages which the said Samuel Ellis may have sustained in levying execution, in behalf of the United States, on a quantity of flour in the possession, and supposed to be the property, of a certain John Barton, against whom judgment was obtained by the United States.

Specific appropriation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for carrying this act into effect.

APPROVED, March 31, 1814.

STATUTE II.

March 31, 1814.

CHAP. XLI.—*An Act for the relief of Joseph W. Page.*

Penalty remitted.

Be it enacted, &c., That the secretary of the treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to remit the penalty incurred by Joseph W. Page, of Charleston, South Carolina, as security in an embargo bond for Bernard Laffon, master of the brig Bellona.

APPROVED, March 31, 1814.

STATUTE II.

March 31, 1814.

CHAP. XLII.—*An Act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite, late a purser of the Hornet.*

Purser's account to be settled.

Be it enacted, &c., That the secretary of the navy be, and he is hereby authorized and required to adjust and settle the accounts of Edwin T. Satterwhite, late a purser of the United States' sloop of war Hornet, upon principles of equity and justice, and to make him such allowances as under the circumstances of his case shall appear reasonable.

APPROVED, March 31, 1814.

CHAP. XLIII.—*An Act for the relief of George Walkington.*

Be it enacted, &c., That George Walkington, who is now confined in the district of New York, at the suit of the United States, on judgment obtained on a bond conditioned for the observance of the embargo acts, be, and the same is hereby discharged from his confinement.

APPROVED, March 31, 1814.

STATUTE II.
March 31, 1814.

To be discharged from imprisonment.

CHAP. XLIV.—*An Act for the relief of Daniel M'Cauly and Samuel Ralston.*

Be it enacted, &c., That Daniel M'Cauly of South Carolina, and Samuel Ralston of North Carolina, who imported into the United States, from the united kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, on board the ship Anna, Captain Emory, and the ship Thomas Gibbons, Captain Rockwell, and the ship Philipsburg, Captain Word, certain goods, wares, and merchandises of the manufacture of the said united kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and which were shipped on board such ships in the year one thousand eight hundred and twelve, shall be entitled to, and may avail themselves of all the benefit, privilege, and provisions of the act entitled "An act directing the secretary of the treasury to remit fines, forfeitures, and penalties in certain cases," passed the second day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, in like manner, and under the same conditions as if the said goods, wares, and merchandise had been shipped from the united kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland before the fifteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

APPROVED, April 6, 1814.

STATUTE II.
April 6, 1814.

As to certain merchandise imported by them, may avail themselves of the provisions of the act of Jan. 2, 1813, ch. 7.

CHAP. XLV.—*An Act for the relief of the owners of the cargo of the brig Patriota.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the secretary of the treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to remit the fines, penalties, and forfeitures incurred by Jonathan Davis and others, who imported into the port of Providence a cargo of merchandise from the Havanna, in the brig Patriota, on the thirteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen: *Provided, however,* That nothing in this act shall be considered as remitting any penalty incurred by the brig Patriota under the act of July sixth, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, except so far as respects the cargo.

APPROVED, April 6, 1814.

STATUTE II.
April 6, 1814.

Penalties remitted in case of brig Patriota.

Act of July 6, 1812, ch. 129.

CHAP. XLVI.—*An Act for the relief of William H. Savage.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the proper accounting officers of the treasury, department be, and they are hereby authorized and required to settle and adjust the claim of William H. Savage, late agent of American seamen and commerce at Jamaica, and to allow him such compensation for office rent as may appear reasonable, for the period he may have acted as the agent of the United States.

APPROVED, April 9, 1814.

STATUTE II.
April 9, 1814.

Allowance for office rent.

CHAP. XLVIII.—*An Act for the relief of Seth Russell and Sons.*

Be it enacted, &c., That there be refunded and paid to Seth Russell and sons, of the town of New Bedford, State of Massachusetts, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of three hundred and fifty-three dollars and fifty-seven cents, it being the amount of duties paid by Richard Blow, for Seth Russell and sons, to the collector of Norfolk, Virginia, on sixteen casks of head matter, and twenty-

STATUTE II.
April 9, 1814.

Certain duties refunded.

one casks of oil, trans-shipped, from the ship Walker on board the ship Harriot, for Norfolk, from the Cape De Verd island, by Stephen West, master of the said ship Walker; and which articles of merchandise were entered on the seventh of February, one thousand eight hundred and twelve: *Provided*, That the same has not been exported with benefit of drawback.

APPROVED, April 9, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 11, 1814.

Claim of the United States relinquished in their favour.

CHAP. L.—*An Act for the relief of John Cahoon and others.*

Be it enacted, &c., That all claim and interest which the United States have to the net proceeds of the British privateer called the Dart, captured by the revenue cutter called the Vigilant, and condemned in the district court of Rhode Island, be released and relinquished to, and in favor of, John Cahoon, master of said cutter, his officers, crew, and associates, concerned in said capture.

Distribution of proceeds.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized and required to cause to be paid and distributed to the said John Cahoon, his officers, crew, and associates, concerned in said capture, the net amount and proceeds thereof, in such proportion, and upon such principles as to him shall seem proper and equitable.

APPROVED, April 11, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 12, 1814.

Gratuity to her.

CHAP. LI.—*An Act for the relief of Mary Chever.*

Be it enacted, &c., That from and after the passage of this act there shall be paid out of the navy pension fund, to Mary Chever, for and during her life, the sum of twenty-five dollars, quarter yearly, as a gratuity from Congress on account of the distinguished bravery and services of her two sons, John Chever and Joseph P. Chever, who were seamen on board the frigate Constitution, and who were slain at the capture of the British frigate Java.

APPROVED, April 12, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 13, 1814.

Account to be settled, &c.

CHAP. LIII.—*An Act for the relief of Joseph Brevard.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the accounting officers of the treasury be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to settle the account of Joseph Brevard, and that he be allowed the amount of a final settlement certificate, number ninety-one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, dated the first of February, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five, for one hundred and eighty-three dollars and twenty-three ninetieths, and bearing interest from the first of January, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three, and issued to the said Joseph Brevard, by John Pierce, commissioner for settling accounts of the army; and that the amount due be paid, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the said Joseph Brevard.

APPROVED, April 13, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 13, 1814.

Claim of the United States relinquished in their favour.

CHAP. LIV.—*An Act for the relief of David Porter and his officers and crews.*

Be it enacted, &c., That so much of the net proceeds of the forfeitures and penalties as have accrued to the United States from the condemnation and sale of the following vessels and their cargoes, to wit: Le Duc de Montebello, Le Petite Chance, and L'Intrepide, condemned and sold by order of the district court of the United States for the Orleans district, for violations of the laws of the United States, be and the same are hereby given up and relinquished in favor of Captain David

Porter, and of the officers and crews by whom the said vessels were captured, as a compensation to the said David Porter, and the said officers and crews, for their zeal and activity in capturing the same: and that the said Captain David Porter be hereby authorized to receive from the secretary of the treasury the amount of the said net proceeds of the aforesaid sales, to be paid by the said secretary of the treasury out of any money not otherwise appropriated; and upon receiving the same the said David Porter is authorized and instructed to distribute it amongst the said officers and crews, in the proportions, and agreeably to the regulations of the laws of the United States, for the distribution of prize money.

APPROVED, April 13, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 13, 1814.

CHAP. LV. — *An Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of supplying Georgetown with water.*

Be it enacted, &c., That a company shall be incorporated for the purpose of introducing a copious supply of pure water into Georgetown, District of Columbia, and that the capital stock of said company shall consist of five thousand shares of ten dollars each, and that subscriptions for the same be opened in Georgetown on the third Monday in May next, under the direction of Henry Foxall, Daniel Bussard, Clement Smith, John Gossler, John Eliason, William Marbury, Thomas Corcoran, Washington Bowie, Thomas Robertson, Ninian Magruder, Joel Brown, and William Crawford, commissioners, or a majority of them.

Commissioners for receiving subscriptions.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said commissioners, after giving ten days' previous notice in two newspapers published in the District of Columbia, shall, on the day before mentioned, proceed to receive such subscriptions, but no person or persons, bodies corporate, or otherwise, shall be permitted to subscribe on the first day for more than ten shares; and if the whole amount be not subscribed on the first day, the books shall remain open on the second day, when individuals or bodies corporate, or otherwise, shall subscribe for double the number allowed on the first day; and if on the end of the second day the whole amount of shares are not subscribed for, the books are to be closed, and the said commissioners may at any time receive subscriptions for such number of shares as remain unsubscribed for: *Provided always,* That if the subscriptions shall, on the first day, exceed the number of shares herein before allowed, then, and in such case, the said commissioners are hereby authorized and directed so to apportion the shares subscribed among the several subscribers, by such proportional reduction as may reduce the whole to the number allotted.

Regulations with respect to subscriptions.

Proviso.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the said commissioners to conduct every operation of the said institution, until they shall be superseded by the appointment of directors.

Commissioners to manage the concerns of the company till directors are appointed. Payments, how made, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the sum of one dollar shall be paid to the said commissioners on each share at the time of subscribing, and the remaining nine dollars by instalments not exceeding two dollars at each instalment, as may be required by the president and directors to be appointed in the mode hereinafter prescribed, on giving twenty days' notice in two newspapers printed in the District of Columbia; and in case of failure in the payment of all or any part of said instalments for the space of ten days after the same shall have become payable, every share on which such failure shall have taken place shall be forfeited to the company.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the subscribers for the said stock, and their successors, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of The George-

Subscribers made a body politic.

May sue and
be sued, &c.

Directors to be
chosen.

Their powers,
&c.

Votes of stock-
holders, how
regulated.

President and
directors to
make by-laws,
rules and regu-
lations.

Proviso.

Powers of the
president and
directors.

town Water Company, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in all courts of judicature or elsewhere, and to make use of one common seal, and the same to alter or renew at their pleasure, and generally to do and perform all things relative to the object of the institution which now is or shall be lawful for any individual or body politic or corporate to do.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That as soon as three thousand shares shall be subscribed, the commissioners hereby authorized to receive subscriptions, may call a meeting of the stockholders after giving not less than four weeks' notice in two newspapers published in the District of Columbia; and the stockholders who shall so assemble in consequence of such notice, or appear by proxy, shall choose by ballot from among the stockholders, by a plurality of votes, twelve directors, who shall continue in office until the first Monday in April, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, which day every succeeding year thereafter an election shall be held for twelve directors as aforesaid, who shall continue in office for one year from the time of their election, and until others be chosen in their stead; and the said directors, at their first meeting, shall choose from amongst the stockholders a president, and allow him a reasonable compensation for his services, who shall also continue in office for one year from the time of his election, and until another be chosen in his stead; and in case of death, removal, resignation, or disqualification in any way of the president or any of the directors, the board may elect others to supply their place.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That in choosing the directors, all persons or bodies politic, holding stock in the said company, shall vote agreeably to the number of shares they may hold, in the following proportion, that is to say: for one share and not exceeding five shares, one vote each; for every two shares above five and not exceeding twenty-five, one vote; for every five shares above twenty-five and not exceeding fifty, one vote; but no person shall be entitled to vote more than twenty votes.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the said president and directors shall have full power and authority to make all by-laws, rules and regulations, for the well-ordering and conducting of the business of the company, and such by-laws, rules and regulations, to alter, change, and annul, at their pleasure; but every such by-law, rule or regulation, may be altered or repealed by the stockholders at a general meeting, to be called for that purpose by any ten or more stockholders: *Provided*, That there be present at such meeting, stockholders holding more than one half of the said stock, or their proxies, and that four weeks' previous notice be given in two newspapers printed in the District of Columbia of such meeting, and of the alteration or repeal intended to be proposed thereat.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the said president and directors shall have power to appoint and remove at their pleasure, all clerks, superintendents, agents, or other officers, necessary for carrying on the business of the said company, to dispose of its funds or property in the manner hereinafter directed, and out of the funds of the said company to pay the compensation of all such agents, superintendents, clerks, or officers, to make such contracts, purchases, or agreements of all such matters and things, in behalf of the said company, and of all such privileges, permissions, rights, and advantages of every kind and nature whatever, as they shall judge necessary for completing in an effectual and proper manner the introduction, distribution, and supply of water to Georgetown, District of Columbia, with any individual companies, firms, or corporations, and to use and dispose of any surplus water to the best interest and advantage of the said company, and all other con-

tracts to rescind, alter, abridge, and enlarge, with consent of the parties thereto respectively; and to lease, sell, convey, transfer, and bind by their contracts, deeds and writings, under the hand of the president and the seal of the company, all the property, estate, common stock, and joint funds of the said company, subject to the ratification of the stockholders, or a majority of them, at some general meeting, if the value of the matter in question shall exceed fifteen hundred dollars, but not the persons or separate property of themselves, or any of the stockholders.

Corporation may purchase and hold real property.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the said corporation may purchase and hold in fee simple or otherwise, all such lands and real estates suitable for the erection of the necessary works, and that may be necessary in whole or in part, for the proper accomplishment of their undertaking, as they shall adjudge proper, and for that purpose may direct from the usual course, at such place or places as they shall think fit, any stream or streams of water which they may think suitable for the purpose, or any part or parts thereof, on the said corporation's first obtaining the consent of all persons having any right or interest in the stream or streams so to be diverted in whole or in part, or in the lands through which such stream or streams may be intended to pass, after being so diverted; and the said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and lay conduits or tunnels for the conveyance of the said water, under and along any public highway, or any street or streets, lane or lanes, alley or alleys, of Georgetown, District of Columbia, for the purpose of conveying and distributing the said water, and the said conduits or tunnels from time to time to renew and repair, and for such purposes, to dig, break up, and open, at their own expense, all or any part of such highway, streets, lanes, and alleys, and of the middle or side pavements thereof, leaving at all times a sufficient passage-way for carriages, horse and foot passengers, and restoring forthwith to their former condition all such highways, streets, lanes, and alleys, and the pavements thereof, as may be at any time so dug, opened, or taken up.

They may establish reservoirs and public fountains, &c.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the corporation shall have full power and authority to establish reservoirs and public fountains in such parts of the streets and squares of the said town as they may think proper, and to grant to all persons whomsoever, and to all bodies politic and corporate, the privilege of using the said water so to be introduced, in such manner, and on such terms and conditions, and in such quantities respectively, as they shall think fit; and the said water so to be introduced, together with all reservoirs, canals, tunnels, engines, buildings, and machines whatever, to be by them made and used for the purpose of introducing, raising, and distributing the said water, to hold to them, their successors, and grantees forever, as their sole and exclusive property.

Fire-plugs to be inserted by the corporation of Georgetown free of expense.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That the corporation aforesaid shall insert, or grant permission to the corporation of Georgetown, District of Columbia, to insert and repair at the expense of the town, such a number of fire-plugs as to them shall appear necessary, into the pipes used to convey the water through the streets thereof, to be used only in case of fire, but free from any charge for a supply of water.

Delinquent subscribers to forfeit their shares.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for the said president and directors to call and demand from the said subscribers respectively, all such sums of money by them subscribed in instalments, not exceeding two dollars each, under pain of forfeiture of their shares, and of all previous payments thereon, to the said president, directors, and company: *Provided*, That no such demand shall be made without twenty days' previous notice being given in two newspapers of the District of Columbia: *And provided also*, That not more than one such payment shall be called for or required in any term of three months.

Proviso.

Proviso.

Suits grounded on any trespass or injury to the works, where to be brought.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That any suit, action, or complaint, by the said corporation, against any person or persons whomsoever, on account of, or grounded on, a trespass or injury done to the said works, or any tunnels, conduits, canals, water-courses, mound, plug, cock, reservoir, dyke, engine, machine or thing, appertaining to the same, shall, in every instance, be held and deemed as transitory in its nature, and may be brought, sustained, and tried, in any court in this district having jurisdiction in such like cases.

Penalties for polluting the water, &c.

SEC. 15. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person shall willfully pollute the said water, between the pumping-house of said company and Georgetown, District of Columbia, by throwing any dead animals or other impure substances into the same, or by swimming, bathing, or washing themselves, or by washing clothes, or skins of any dead animals, or other impure things therein, or by erecting any necessary or other nuisance so near the said water as to pollute the same, the person or persons so offending shall forfeit and pay to the said company a sum not exceeding twenty dollars for every such offence, to be recovered by warrant, before any magistrate of the district or county of Washington, and shall be obliged to remove the said nuisance, or forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars for every day the same shall continue, to the use of the corporation of Georgetown, District of Columbia, to be recovered by action of debt at the suit of the United States.

Corporation prevented from dealing in bills, notes, &c.

SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for the said corporation to enter into any negotiation on bills or notes, nor to deal in exchange, discount, or other commercial or banking operation, or other business in their corporate capacity, other than to vest their capital in stocks of chartered companies, or in public securities, or to borrow money as may be found necessary for the carrying on the works proposed: and dividends of the profits of the stock shall be annually made, reserving only, at the discretion of the directors, such proportion as they, or a majority of stockholders, shall deem sufficient and necessary to promote or attain the object of this incorporation; and if the said corporation shall not carry into effect the intentions of this act within two years from the passage thereof, in that case all the powers hereby vested in them shall cease and determine.

Dividends.

APPROVED, April 13, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 18, 1814.

Penalties remitted.

CHAP. LXIII.—*An Act for the relief of Augustus M'Kinney and Layzel Bancroft.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the secretary of the treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and required to remit the fines, penalties, and forfeitures incurred by Augustus M'Kinney and Layzel Bancroft, who imported, in an open and public manner, into the district of Whitehall, on the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, from Montreal, nine barrels of nitre.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 18, 1814.

Account to be settled.

CHAP. LXIV.—*An Act for the relief of John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the comptroller of the treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to adjust and settle, on equitable principles, the accounts of Benjamin Wall, late marshal of the state of Georgia, and to allow any credit which the said Wall might have claimed against the United States as an offset to a judgment obtained at the suit of the United States against John P. Williamson and Thomas Rice, as securities of the said Wall.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

CHAP. LXVIII.—*An Act to authorize the secretary of state to liquidate certain claims therein mentioned.*

STATUTE II.
April 18, 1814.

Be it enacted, &c., That the secretary of state be, and he is hereby, directed to liquidate, according to principles of justice and equity, all the claims of the inhabitants of the late province of West Florida, now included within the limits of the state of Louisiana, or of the Mississippi territory, for advances by them made for the use and benefit of the United States, prior to, and since, the taking of possession of the said portion of the said late province of West Florida by the United States.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

The secretary of state directed to liquidate, according to principles of justice and equity, all claims of the inhabitants of West Florida, &c. for advances by them made for the use of the U. States, prior &c.

CHAP. LXXI.—*An Act concerning invalid pensioners.*

STATUTE II.
April 18, 1814.

Be it enacted, &c., That the secretary of war be, and he is hereby directed to place the following named persons, (whose claims have been transmitted to Congress pursuant to a law passed tenth April, one thousand eight hundred and six,) on the pension-list of invalid pensioners, according to the rates, and to commence at the times herein mentioned, that is to say :

Secretary of War to place certain persons on the list of invalid pensioners, at certain rates.

Samuel C. Arickson, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the tenth June, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Act of April 10, 1806, ch. 25.

Alexander Barr, at the rate of one dollar twenty-five cents per month, to commence twenty-ninth July, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Pensioners and their rates.

Ezra Bellows, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence from twentieth June, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

Daniel Dodd, at the rate of two dollars fifty cents per month, to commence on the eighteenth of May, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Joel Terrell, at the rate of three dollars thirty-three cents per month, to commence on the eighteenth December, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

George Dugan, at the rate of two dollars fifty cents per month, to commence on tenth February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Joseph King, at the rate of two dollars fifty cents per month, to commence the nineteenth October, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Andrew Green, at the rate of one dollar sixty-seven cents per month, to commence on the fourteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Hugh Barns, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence fifteenth June, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Enoch Ducker, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the second February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Samuel Hawkins, at the rate of three dollars and thirty-three cents per month, to commence on the fourth February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Darby Marrs, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the twenty-fifth December, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Benjamin Daniels, at the rate of twenty-five dollars per month, to commence the twenty-second February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Robert M'Cullock, at the rate of two dollars fifty cents per month, to commence the fourteenth February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

John Gilbert, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the thirtieth June, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Pensioners.

Henry Brenneman, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the fourth February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

William Blanchard, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the thirtieth July, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

John Kersenaar, at the rate of three dollars thirty-three cents per month, to commence the first March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Robert Neil, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the fifth of March, one thousand eight hundred [and] fourteen.

John Berry, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the thirty-first March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Jonathan Willard, at the rate of ten dollars per month, to commence on March the seventh, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Levi Bishop, of New York, at the rate of five dollars per month, to commence the twelfth of October, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

John Fain, at the rate of four dollars per month, to commence on the tenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Increased pen-
sions.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the pensions of the following named persons, already placed on the pension-list of the United States, whose claims for an increase of pension have been transmitted to Congress, pursuant to the act aforesaid, be increased to the sums herein respectively annexed to their names; the said increase to commence at the times herein mentioned, that is to say:

Act of April
10, 1806, ch. 25.

Benjamin Jenkins, five dollars per month, to commence on the sixteenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Abner Rose, five dollars per month, to commence on the fourth of March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Richard Fairbrother, five dollars per month, to commence thirtieth September, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Joseph Cutler, ten dollars per month, to commence on the twenty-eighth February, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

Thomas Monday, five dollars per month, to commence on the thirtieth January, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Hezekiah Bailey, ten dollars per month, to commence on the thirtieth December, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Elisha Reynolds, three dollars thirty-three cents per month, to commence on the sixth April, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

Depositions
substantiating
facts, &c. how
taken.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That depositions substantiating the facts necessary to entitle any person to be placed on the pension list, or to an increase of pension, may hereafter be taken before any judge of any of the courts of the state or territory in which such person may reside, and the certificate of the clerk of the court, whereof the said judge is a member, shall be a sufficient authentication of his being such a judge.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 18, 1814.

CHAP. LXXII.—*An Act for the relief of George Hamilton.*

To be dis-
charged from
imprisonment.

Be it enacted, &c., That George Hamilton, who is confined in prison in the county of Washington, state of Pennsylvania, on a judgment obtained against him in favor of the United States, be discharged from his imprisonment: *Provided, however*, That any estate which the said George Hamilton now has, or may hereafter acquire, shall be liable to be taken in the same manner as if he had not been imprisoned and discharged.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

CHAP.—LXXIV. *An Act for the relief of Dennis Clark.*

STATUTE II.
April 18, 1814.

Be it enacted, &c., That the receiver of public moneys for the district of lands offered for sale at Cincinnati, be required to pay Dennis Clark the full amount of moneys, with interest, paid by the said Dennis Clark to the receiver aforesaid, in discharge of the purchase money for fractional section number ten, in the first township, and first range east.

Purchase money for land to be refunded.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said Dennis Clark shall be permitted to enter with the register of the land office, at two dollars per acre, one hundred and sixty acres of land, in any section or part of a section within the Cincinnati district, which has been reserved and offered for sale, but not sold, to be paid for as other lands of the United States.

May enter another tract.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

CHAP. LXXVI.—*An Act to incorporate the Directors of the Washington Library Company.*

STATUTE II.
April 18, 1814.

Be it enacted, &c., That James Laurie, Joseph Stretch, William Parker, Jonathan S. Findlay, George Way, Moses Young, and Thomas H. Gillis, and their successors duly elected or appointed in manner hereinafter directed, be, and they are hereby made, declared, and constituted a corporation and body politic, in law and in fact, to have continuance forever by the name, style, and title of “The Directors of the Washington Library Company,” and by such corporate name, style, and title, shall be hereafter forever able and capable in law and equity to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, in any court or courts, or other places, and before any judge or judges, justice or justices, or other persons whatsoever, within the district of Columbia or elsewhere, in all and all manner of suits, actions, complaints, pleas, causes, matters, and demands of whatever kind or nature they may be, in as full and effectual a manner as any other person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, may or can do.

Company incorporated.

Powers conferred upon it of suing and being sued.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all and singular the goods, chattels, and other effects of what kind or nature soever heretofore given, granted, or devised to the said library company, or to any person or persons for the use thereof, or that may have been purchased for or on account of the same, be, and the said goods, chattels, and other effects, are hereby vested in and confirmed to the said corporation. And the said corporation may take and receive any sum or sums of money, or any goods, chattels, or other effects of what kind or nature soever, which shall or may hereafter be given, granted, or bequeathed unto them by any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, capable of making such gift, grant, or bequest: *Provided*, That the goods, chattels, and other effects vested in and confirmed to the said corporation, and the moneys, goods, chattels, and other effects which by this act the said corporation is authorized hereafter to receive, shall not in the whole exceed in value fifty thousand dollars.

Capable of holding property.

Proviso.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the said corporation shall have full power and authority to make, have, and use a common seal, with such device and inscription as they shall think proper, and the same to break, alter, and renew at pleasure: to appoint a treasurer and librarian, and such other officers as they may from time to time deem necessary: to assign them their duties, fix their compensation, and remove him or them from office, and appoint another or others in his or their place as often they shall think fit: to make, ordain, establish, and execute such by-laws and ordinances as may be deemed useful to the institution, and the same to alter, amend, or abrogate at pleasure: to

May make needful regulations.

fix the price of new shares and annual contributions on each share : to direct how transfers shall be made and certified : to procure by purchase, rent, or otherwise, a suitable place for keeping the library : to appoint the times for keeping the library open, and for taking out and returning books : to fill up vacancies that may happen in their own body between two annual elections : to levy and collect fines and forfeitures : and to determine upon, do and transact all business and matters appertaining to the said corporation and library company, agreeably to the rules, ordinances, and by-laws thereof, during their continuance in office : *Provided*, That not less than a majority of the said directors be a quorum to do business ; that no rule, ordinance, or by-law, be made repugnant to the laws of this district or of the United States ; and that no contribution be laid on any one share in any one year exceeding three dollars, without the consent of a majority of the shareholders.

Proviso.

Regulations concerning elections, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That an election for seven directors of The Washington Library Company shall be held on the first Monday in April next, and on the first Monday in April, annually, thereafter, at the library room, under the direction of such persons as the present directors and their successors may appoint ; which appointment shall be at least five days previous to the day of election. They shall also publish the names of the persons so appointed to hold the election, in some newspaper printed in the city of Washington, at least three days previous to such election's being held ; the polls for which shall be kept open from three o'clock until six o'clock P. M. ; and no person shall be eligible as a director, or have a right to vote for a director, who is not at the time of voting, or being voted for, a shareholder in the said company, or who shall be in arrears to the said company, for any annual contribution, fines, or forfeitures : and all persons qualified to vote, may vote either personally or by proxy, by ballot.

This act may be altered, &c.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That this act may at any time be altered, amended, or repealed by the Congress of the United States.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 18, 1814.

CHAP. LXXVII.—*An Act for the relief of Benjamin W. Crowninshield.*

Certificates of stock to be renewed.

Be it enacted, &c., That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to cause to be renewed certain certificates of stock issued by the cashier of the Merchants' Bank of the town of Salem, to Benjamin W. Crowninshield, as guardian of the children of Jacob Crowninshield, which said certificates have been lost : *Provided, however*, That the renewal of the said certificates shall be subject to all the rules and regulations established at the treasury department for the renewal of certificates of funded stock.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 18, 1814.

CHAP. LXXXI.—*An Act for the relief of Archibald M'Call.*

Duties refunded on certain merchandise.

Be it enacted, &c., That there be paid to Archibald M'Call, of the city of Philadelphia, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of eight thousand three hundred and four dollars and ninety-five cents, in full for the drawbacks due on the exportation of three hundred and ninety chests of Congo, and one hundred and fifty chests of Souchong teas, to Bremen, in the ship Abigail, in the month of August, one thousand eight hundred and five : *Provided*, That the said M'Call prove to the satisfaction of the comptroller of the treasury, that the said teas have been landed at some foreign port or place.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

CHAP. LXXXIII.—*An Act for the relief of Jervis Cutler.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the proper accounting officers be, and they are hereby authorized to settle and adjust the account of Jervis Cutler, late a captain in the army of the United States, and to allow him the pay and emolument of a captain, from the third of March until the fifteenth of June, one thousand eight hundred and nine.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.
April 18, 1814.

Allowed pay
of a captain.

CHAP. LXXXVI.—*An Act for the relief of John Pitchlyn.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the proper accounting officers of the department of war be, and they are hereby authorized and required, to settle and adjust the account of John Pitchlyn, late an interpreter for the Choctaw Indians, and to allow him a reasonable compensation for his services from the first of February, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, until the third of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, the amount whereof shall be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.
April 18, 1814.

Compensation
for services as
an interpreter.

CHAP. LXXXVIII.—*An Act for the renewal of a land warrant to George Shannon.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is directed to cause to be granted to George Shannon a warrant for three hundred and twenty acres of land, in lieu of warrant number twenty-one for the said quantity of land issued to the said Shannon, on the sixth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seven, under an act of Congress passed the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seven, entitled "An act making compensation to Messieurs Lewis and Clark, and their companions," which is lost; which said warrant, so to be granted, shall have all the properties of the one heretofore obtained by the said Shannon: *Provided, nevertheless, and it is hereby declared,* That the said warrant heretofore obtained by the said Shannon, and any proceedings that may be had thereon, shall be null and void to all intents and purposes.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.
April 18, 1814.

Land-warrant
to be granted to
Geo. Shannon.

Act of March
3, 1807, ch. 32.

Proviso.

CHAP. LXXXIX.—*An Act for the relief of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States be, and hereby is authorized and empowered, upon the petition of John Whitney and Joseph H. Dorr, the sureties of the owners of the schooner Industry, to remit the penalty which the said owners incurred by the illegal unloading of sixty-nine boxes and eight half boxes of segars, and nineteen hundred and eighty-six pounds of coffee from said schooner, at the port of Edgartown, in the district of Massachusetts, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and nine, in the same way and manner as he is now by law empowered to remit the same upon the petition of the said owners; and the said secretary is also authorized to pay to the said Whitney and Dorr, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, any sum that may be by him so remitted: *Provided, however,* This act shall not be construed to authorize the remission of any greater portion of said penalty than what has accrued to the use of the United States: *And provided also,* That the said secretary shall be of opinion that the said penalty ought to be remitted.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.
April 18, 1814.

Penalties remitted on merchandise illegally landed.

Proviso

STATUTE II.

April 18, 1814.

Released from payment of a sum of money destroyed by fire.

CHAP. XC.—*An Act for the relief of John D. Hay.*

Be it enacted, &c., That John D. Hay, post-master at Vincennes, be, and he is hereby released and discharged from the payment of three hundred and twenty-five dollars received by him as post-master for the general post-office department, which said three hundred and twenty-five dollars were, together with other property belonging to the said John D. Hay, destroyed by fire.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.

STATUTE II.

April 18, 1814.

The right and claim of the United States to a lot of ground in the county of Orleans, &c. as described, with the improvements, vested in and conveyed to the president and directors of the Orleans Navigation Company, &c.

CHAP. XCIV.—*An Act granting to the president and directors of the New Orleans Navigation Company, and their successors, a lot of ground.*

Be it enacted, &c., That all the right and claim of the United States to a lot of ground in the county of Orleans, and state of Louisiana, bounded above by the lands of Don Miguel, and fronting on the bayou St. John, containing one hundred and eighty feet front and five hundred and forty feet back, including the improvements thereon, now occupied by the said company, be, and the same hereby is, vested in and conveyed to the president and directors of the Orleans Navigation Company, for the time being, and their successors, for the use and benefit of the said company forever.

APPROVED, April 18, 1814.