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ment of the troops of the United States, and, for which payment, the vouchers have been lost, without any fault or negligence on his part. AFFROVED, March 18, 1818.

CHAP. XXV. — An Act for the relief of John Bate.

Be it enacted, &c., That the Secretary of the Treasury, in the settlement of the accounts of John Bate, arising under a lease from the United States of the public salt-works on the Wabash, in the Illinois territory, be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to make such allowance to the said John Bate, for the permanent improvements made at said salt-works, as he shall think reasonable and just. And also to make such reduction in the rent stipulated to be paid by the said John Bate, as shall appear just and equitable, in consequence of any deterioration in the quality, or diminution in the quantity, of water at said saline, as may be proven to his satisfaction; as also such further allowance, as he may think reasonable, for loss sustained in said salt works by the extraordinary inundation of the river Ohio in the months of April and May, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen : Provided, however, That the whole amount of allowance and deduction so made shall not exceed the amount of money which, by the original contract, may be now due to the United States from the said John Bate.

APPROVED, April 3, 1818.

CHAP. XXVII.-An Act for the relief of John Small.

Be it enacted, &c., That John Small be, and he hereby is, confirmed in his title to a tract of land, containing two hundred and fifty-five acres, situated on Embarass Creek, in the Illinois territory, as the assignee of Nicholas Bayarjon; which tract shall be limited to the quantity aforesaid, and to the boundaries as claimed by said Bayarjon.

APPROVED, April 3, 1818.

CHAP. XXVIII.-An Act for the relief of Abraham Byington.

Be it enacted, &c., That the Postmaster General be, and he is hereby, directed and empowered to remit, in favor of Abraham Byington, of the State of Vermont, the sum of one hundred and thirty-four dollars and thirty cents, being that part of the judgment obtained against him as security for Robert Gilmore, which partakes of the nature of a penalty, on account of the neglect of the said Gilmore.

APPROVED, April 3, 1818.

CHAP. XXXI.-An Act for the relief of William Edwards and John G. Stubbs.

Be it enacted, &c., That the accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, directed, on equitable principles, to audit and settle the accounts of William Edwards and John G. Stubbs, for the respective expenses incurred under contracts entered into between Edward Tiffin, surveyor-general of the United States, and the said William Edwards and John G. Stubbs, on the twenty-fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, for surveying lands in the Illinois territory; and the amount found to be due on such settlement shall be paid, respectively, to the said William Edwards and John G. Stubbs, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: Provided, That the sum so to be allowed shall not exceed six hundred dollars in either case: And provided further, That no allowance shall be made to them, or either of them, for personal services by them rendered.

APPROVED, April 3, 1818.

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STATUTE I.

April 3, 1818.

Allowance for permanent improvements at the salt-works on the Wabash.

Proviso.

STATUTE I. April 3, 1818.

Land title confirmed.

STATUTE 1. April 3, 1818.

Judgment against him as security to be remitted.

> STATUTE I. April 3, 1818.

Accounts for surveying to be settled.

Proviso. Proviso.