

# PRIVATE ACTS OF THE SIXTEENTH CONGRESS

OF THE

## UNITED STATES,

*Passed at the first session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the sixth day of December, 1819, and ended on the fifteenth day of May, 1820.*

JAMES MONROE, President; DANIEL D. TOMPKINS, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate; JAMES BARBOUR, President of the Senate, pro tempore, on the 14th day of December, 1819; JOHN GAILLARD, President of the Senate, pro tempore, from the 28th day of January, 1820; HENRY CLAY, Speaker.

### STATUTE I.

Jan. 14, 1820. CHAP. IV.—*An Act for the relief of the legal representative of Philip Barbour, deceased.*

The register and receiver in Mississippi to report to the general land office the value of 1500 acres of land, &c.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the register of the land office and receiver of public moneys of the United States, in the state of Mississippi, west of Pearl river, be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed, within twelve months after the passage of this act, to report to the Commissioner of the General Land Office the value of fifteen hundred acres of land, situated on the river Mississippi, at the mouth of Big Black, commonly called Grand Gulph, patented in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy, by the government of West Florida, to Philip Barbour, deceased; the said register and receiver having, in making such estimate, a due regard to the time when the said land, or any part of it, was sold by the government of the United States: whereupon the said Commissioner of the General Land Office shall issue to the legal representative of the said Philip Barbour, deceased, a certificate of the amount so reported by the said register and receiver; which certificate shall be receivable in payment of any debt which may have accrued, or shall hereafter accrue, to the United States, on the sale of any of the public lands: *Provided, however,* That, before the said Commissioner of the General Land Office shall issue the certificate, the said legal representative shall file in his office a written release, under his hand and seal, with all the solemnities necessary to make it valid and operative, whereby he shall release to the United States all his claim to the said fifteen hundred acres of land.

Proviso.

APPROVED, January 14, 1820.

### STATUTE I.

Jan. 19, 1820. CHAP. VI.—*An Act allowing Sarah Allen the bounty land and pay which would have been due to her son, Samuel Drew, had he lived, for his services as a private in the late war.*

A warrant for the bounty land due S. Drew to be issued.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of War be authorized to issue, in the name of Sarah Allen, a land warrant for the bounty land to which Samuel Drew, a soldier in the army of the United States, deceased, would have been entitled, had he lived.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That whatever sum shall be found due to the said Samuel Drew, for his service as a private soldier, on settlement of his account, be paid to the said Sarah Allen, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, January 19, 1820.

Any sum due S. Drew to be paid to Sarah Allen.

CHAP. VII.—*An Act for the relief of Matthew Barrow.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That there be paid to Matthew Barrow, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury of the United States, the sum of three hundred and nine dollars and nineteen cents; which sum was expended by the said Barrow in defence of a prosecution at the suit of Absalom Page, for property impressed by him, in and for the service of the United States, during the late war with Great Britain.

APPROVED, January 28, 1820.

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\$309.19 to be paid to him.

CHAP. VIII.—*An Act for the relief of James Hughes.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to issue a certificate, for four hundred dollars, to James Hughes, of Randolph county, in the state of Illinois, or his representatives, as a compensation for two hundred acres of land, to which he was entitled, and which has been sold by the United States; which certificate shall be receivable in payment for so much of any debt to the United States for public land.

APPROVED, January 28, 1820.

STATUTE I.  
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Certificate for \$400 to be issued to him.

CHAP. XII.—*An Act for the relief of the heirs of Anthony Burk.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the heirs of Anthony Burk be authorized to enter, within twelve months from the passage of this act, with the Register of the Land Office at Chillicothe, without payment, two quarter sections, within the boundaries of the district of Chillicothe.

APPROVED, February 18, 1820.

STATUTE I.  
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Authorized to enter a tract of land without payment.

CHAP. XIII.—*An Act for the relief of Denton, Little, and Company, and of Harman Hendrick, of New York.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That there be refunded and paid to Denton, Little, and Company, of the city of New York, the sum of two hundred and seventy-one dollars seven cents; and to Harman Hendrick, also of New York, the sum of five thousand seven hundred and twenty-five dollars and sixty-one cents; the said several sums having been paid, by the persons above named, to the collector of New York, on the importation into the United States of sundry copper bottoms, bolts, or bars, the same not being liable to the payment of duties.

APPROVED, February 18, 1820.

STATUTE I.  
Feb. 18, 1820.

Certain duties to be refunded.

CHAP. XV.—*An Act for the relief of William M'Donald, administrator of James M'Donald, deceased, late captain in the army of the United States.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the proper accounting officer of the treasury department be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, in the adjustment and settlement of the accounts of the late Captain James M'Donald, with his brother and administrator, William M'Donald, to make such further allowance for bounties and premiums paid, and for money due him, as an officer for recruiting, and for contingencies, as may appear equitable and just: *Provided, however*, That the sum so to be allowed shall not exceed the amount charged to the account of the

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Further allowance for bounties and premiums, &c.

Proviso.

late James M'Donald aforesaid on the books in the office of the third auditor of the treasury department.

APPROVED, February 28, 1820.

STATUTE I.

Feb. 28, 1820.

CHAP. XVI.—*An Act confirming Anthony Cavalier and Peter Petit in their claim to a tract of land.*

Claim to a tract of land confirmed.

Proviso.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That Anthony Cavalier, and Peter Petit, of the state of Louisiana, shall be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their claim to a tract of land, containing two thousand and sixty-five acres, being an island in the Mississippi river, known by the name of Apple island; for which tract of land the said Anthony Cavalier and Peter Petit shall be entitled to a patent: *Provided,* That nothing in this act shall affect the claim or claims of any person or persons to the same land, or any part thereof, derived from the United States, if any such there be, or the claim or claims of any other person or persons whatsoever.

APPROVED, February 28, 1820.

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CHAP. XVIII.—*An Act for the relief of Elther Shipley, administrator of Thomas Buckminster, late lieutenant in the thirty-third regiment of United States' infantry.*

Account to be settled.

Proviso.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to settle the accounts of Thomas Buckminster, deceased, late lieutenant in the thirty-third regiment of the United States' infantry, upon the principles of justice and equity: *Provided, however,* That the sum so to be allowed shall not exceed the amount charged to the account of said deceased, on the books in the office of the third auditor of the treasury department.

APPROVED, February 28, 1820.

STATUTE I.

April 5, 1820.

CHAP. XXIX.—*An Act for the relief of Mary Cassin, widow and administratrix of Patrick Cassin, deceased.*

Claim to be settled.

Proviso.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department audit and settle the claim of Mary Cassin, widow and administratrix of Patrick Cassin, deceased, for moneys advanced by her said husband to soldiers in the army of the United States, on account of pay due to them at the time said advances were made; and to allow and pay to the said Mary Cassin, administratrix as aforesaid, out of any unappropriated moneys in the treasury, such part of said claim as shall not appear to have been paid to the said soldiers, respectively, by any officer of the United States: *Provided,* That the said Mary Cassin, administratrix as aforesaid, shall, previous to the receipt of the moneys which may be allowed her under this act, deliver to the comptroller of the treasury a bond of indemnity, in such sum, and with such sureties, as he may direct.

APPROVED, April 5, 1820.

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CHAP. XXX.—*An Act for the relief of the heirs and legal representatives of Nicholas Vreeland, deceased.*

Claim to be settled.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be authorized to audit and settle the claim of the heirs and legal representatives of Nicholas Vreeland, deceased, on account of a certificate issued to the said Nicholas Vreeland, on the thirtieth of November, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four, for two hun-

dred and forty-five dollars and sixty-six ninetieths, and numbered sixteen hundred and fifty; which certificate is alleged to have been accidentally destroyed, and appears, by the records of the treasury, to be outstanding and unpaid; and to pay to the surviving executors of said deceased, for the use and benefit of the heirs and representatives of the said deceased, the principal of said certificate, and so much of the interest thereof as may remain due thereon: *Provided*, That the said surviving executors execute and deliver to the comptroller of the treasury a bond of indemnity, in such sum, and with such security, as the said comptroller may direct and approve.

APPROVED, April 5, 1820.

Proviso.

CHAP. XXXI.—*An Act for the relief of John A. Dix.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to John A. Dix, a lieutenant in the army of the United States, one hundred and twelve dollars, in full, for extra services performed as adjutant, under the command of Colonel John B. Walbach, in Portsmouth harbor, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen; and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, April 5, 1820.

STATUTE I.

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To be paid for extra services.

CHAP. XXXII.—*An Act for the relief of the legal representatives of John O'Connor, deceased.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the legal representatives of John O'Connor, deceased, be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their title to a tract of land situated on Buffalo Creek, in the state of Mississippi, containing eight hundred arpens, granted by the Spanish government to William Conway, by patent, dated the fourteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, and conveyed to John O'Connor, by the said Conway, on the twenty-sixth day of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven: *Provided*, That nothing in this act contained shall affect the claim or claims of any other person or persons to the said land, or any part thereof, derived from the United States, or any other source whatever.

APPROVED, April 5, 1820.

STATUTE I.

April 5, 1820.

Land title confirmed.

Proviso.

CHAP. XXXIII.—*An Act for the relief of Robert Swartwout.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized to audit and settle the account of Robert Swartwout, and to allow him such sum as may appear equitable and just, in consequence of the loss sustained in the sale of certain treasury notes, for and on account of the United States.

APPROVED, April 5, 1820.

STATUTE I.

April 5, 1820.

Account for loss in sale of treasury notes to be settled.

CHAP. XXXIV.—*An Act for the relief of John Harding, Giles Harding, John Skute, and John Nichols.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the proper accounting officers of the treasury be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to audit and settle the claim of John Harding, Giles Harding, John Shute, and John Nichols, for fifteen boats belonging to them, and detained, at Baton Rouge, by Major-General Thomas, in the year eighteen hundred and fifteen; and to allow them any sum not exceeding, in the whole, nine hundred dollars; which allowance, when made, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, April 5, 1820.

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Allowance to them for boats detained at Baton Rouge.

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CHAP. XXXV.—*An Act for the relief of Jennings O'Bannon.*

Account to be settled.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed equitably to settle the account of expenses incurred by Jennings O'Bannon, in a suit erroneously instituted against him on behalf of the United States, on the exhibition of proper vouchers; and the sum which shall be found due shall be paid to the said Jennings O'Bannon, out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, April 5, 1820.

## STATUTE I.

April 5, 1820.

CHAP. XXXVI.—*An Act authorizing the Secretary of State to issue Letters Patent to Richard Willcox.*

Letters patent for a rotary portable oven to be issued.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of State be, and he hereby is, authorized and required to issue letters patent to Richard Willcox, for his invention of a rotary portable oven, and for his improvements of the ovens now in use; and also for his several inventions and improvements in the process of distillation, and modes and means of conducting the same, upon his complying with the directions of the act, entitled "An act to promote the progress of the useful arts, and to repeal the act heretofore made for that purpose," and an act, entitled "An act to extend the privilege of obtaining patents for useful discoveries and inventions to certain persons therein mentioned, and to enlarge and define the penalties for violating the rights of patentees," except so far as the said acts, or any part or parts of them, require a residence of two years within the United States; in like manner, in all respects, as if the said Richard Willcox had resided two years within the United States.

APPROVED, April 5, 1820.

## STATUTE I.

April 7, 1820.

CHAP. XXXVII.—*An Act for the relief of Anthony S. Delisle, Edward B. Dudley, and John M. Van Cleef.*

Forfeiture of brig Sally remitted.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the forfeiture of the brig Sally, of Wilmington, in North Carolina, by reason of the importation of six persons of color from Martinique into the United States, and the condemnation of the said brig for that cause, adjudged by the District Court of North Carolina, be, and the same is hereby, remitted, so far as the United States are interested therein.

APPROVED, April 7, 1820.

## STATUTE I.

April 7, 1820.

CHAP. XXXVIII.—*An Act authorizing payment to be made for certain Muskets impressed into the Service of the United States.*

\$228 to be paid for muskets impressed for U.S.

Proviso.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be paid to David Henley, agent of Edward Fox, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two hundred and twenty-eight dollars, it being the value of nineteen muskets, impressed into the service of the United States: *Provided,* That the said David Henley shall first give security to indemnify the United States against the claim of any other individual, for the value of said muskets.

APPROVED, April 7, 1820.

## STATUTE I.

April 11, 1820.

CHAP. XLII.—*An Act for the relief of Walter Channing.*

Certain duties to be repaid.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be repaid to Walter Channing, such sum or sums of money as were

paid into the treasury by the said Walter Channing, or by Gibbs and Channing, as, and for, duties upon saltpetre, imported into the United States in the year one thousand eight hundred and three.

APPROVED, April 11, 1820.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XLIII.—*An Act for the relief of certain persons who have paid duties on certain goods imported into Castine.*

April 11, 1820.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be repaid, from the treasury, to the following persons, to wit: Jonathan L. Stevens, Joseph Briant, Samuel Littlefield, Holbrook and Brooks, Doty Little, Rowell and Haskell, John Minot, Witherlee and Jarvis, John H. Jarvis, Caleb B. Hall, Ebenezer Noyes, Samuel Bartlett, John Bartlett, John Buck, Swazey and Folsom, John N. Swazey, Benson and Blodget, John Benson, Solomon Skinner, Eliphalet Parker, Henry Darling, Henry Rice, who made payment, or to their legal representatives, all sums which have been paid into the treasury, as, and for, duties upon goods imported into Castine, while in possession of the British forces, during the late war with Great Britain, the same not being, by law, subject to the payment thereof, upon which goods duties were also levied and paid to the British authorities, upon their importation into Castine: *Provided*, That it shall be proved, to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury, that the claimants above named were residents of Castine or Bucksport, or were purchasers from residents, of the goods on which the duties have been imposed.

Certain duties to be repaid on goods imported into Castine while in possession of the British forces.

Proviso.

APPROVED, April 11, 1820.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XLIV.—*An Act for the relief of certain sufferers by fire, at Savannah, in Georgia.*

April 11, 1820.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the credit allowed by the existing laws upon the duties due and remaining unpaid to the United States, at the custom-house at Savannah, upon imported merchandise, which was destroyed by fire at Savannah, on the eleventh day of January last, and then belonging to the importers thereof, and not insured against fire, be, and the same is hereby, prolonged for four years, from the respective times when such duties may be payable: *Always provided*, That said bonds be renewed, with sufficient surety, to the satisfaction of the collector of the said district of Savannah.

Credit for duties on merchandise destroyed by fire at Savannah, prolonged for four years.

Proviso.

APPROVED, April 11, 1820.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. XLIX.—*An Act for the relief of Elizabeth Braden.*

April 24, 1820.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of the Department of War be, and he is hereby, directed to issue, in the name of Elizabeth Braden, a land warrant for the bounty land to which her son, George Braden, a soldier, who died of wounds received in the late war, would have been entitled had he lived.

Warrant for bounty land to be issued.

APPROVED, April 24, 1820.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. LV.—*An Act for the relief of John Steele.*

May 1, 1820.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That, for the discharge of a judgment obtained against John Steele, collector of Philadelphia, on account of his refusal to grant a clearance for the Spanish brig *Los Dos Amigos*, in which refusal the said collector acted under an instruction from the department of state, a sum, not exceeding three thousand three hundred dollars, be,

Discharge of a judgment against him as collector, &c.

and the same is hereby appropriated; to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, May 1, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 1, 1820.

CHAP. LVI.—*An Act confirming the proceedings of the inhabitants of the village of Cahokia, in the State of Illinois, in laying out a town on the commons of said village.*

Proceedings of inhabitants of Cahokia, in laying out Illinois city and distributing lots, confirmed.

1812, ch. 22.

J. B. Thomas and others authorized to convey the lots distributed by deed in fee simple.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proceedings of the inhabitants of the village of Cahokia, in the state of Illinois, by their agents, Jesse B. Thomas, John Hay, John Hays, Nicholas Jarrot, and Francis Turcotte, in laying out a town called Illinois city, on one of the tracts of land confirmed to them as a common, by an act of Congress, passed on the twentieth February, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and the distribution made by the said agents, of the lots amongst the inhabitants of said village of Cahokia, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said Jesse B. Thomas, John Hay, John Hays, Nicholas Jarrot, and Francis Turcotte, or any three of them, be, and they are hereby, authorized to convey, by deed, in fee simple, the lots that have heretofore been distributed as aforesaid, to those persons, or their legal representatives, to whom distribution as aforesaid was made.

APPROVED, May 1, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 2, 1820.

CHAP. LVII.—*An Act for the relief of John B. Regnier.*

Authorized to enter a quarter section of land, &c.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That John B. Regnier, of Ohio, be, and he hereby is, authorized to locate, in the Marietta district, any unappropriated quarter section of land which has been offered for sale by the United States; and, whenever the said Regnier shall have entered such quarter section with the register of the land office of the said district, it shall be the duty of the said register to give to him a certificate, describing the quarter section so entered; on the presentation of which to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, a patent shall issue to the said Regnier, for the aforesaid quarter section of land.

APPROVED, May 2, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 2, 1820.

CHAP. LVIII.—*An Act for the relief of Fielding Jones.*

Payment for a horse impressed.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be paid to Fielding Jones, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, eighty dollars, in full compensation for a horse impressed into the public service in the late war with Great Britain.

APPROVED, May 2, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 2, 1820.

CHAP. LIX.—*An Act for the benefit of Christopher Miller.*

Authorized to enter a tract of land without payment.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That Christopher Miller, of Hardin county, and state of Kentucky, be authorized to enter, without payment, at any land office of the United States north-west of the river Ohio, six hundred and forty acres of land, on any lands subject to entry at private sale; and, on return being made to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, a patent shall issue as in other cases.

APPROVED, May 2, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 2, 1820.

CHAP. LX.—*An Act for the relief of Captain Stanton Sholes.*

Account to be settled.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to

audit and settle, on the principles of equity, the account of Captain Stanton Sholes, late of the army of the United States, for any moneys disbursed by him whilst in the service of the United States, for public purposes.

APPROVED, May 2, 1820.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. LXI.—*An Act for the relief of Joseph M. Skinner, administrator of George Skinner, deceased.*

May 4, 1820.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of the Treasury cause to be paid unto Joseph M. Skinner, administrator of the estate of George Skinner, deceased, the sum of seventy-five dollars, for a wagon and other property, taken, by impressment, for the use of the United States; and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

To be paid for a horse, &c. impressed for use of U. S.

APPROVED, May 4, 1820.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. LXII.—*An Act concerning the Banks of the District of Columbia.*

May 4, 1820.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the charters of the several incorporated Banks in the District of Columbia, now paying specie, and during such time only as such Banks respectively shall continue to pay specie, be, and the same are hereby, extended to the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two, any thing in the said charters to the contrary notwithstanding; and the charter of the Bank of Columbia be, and the same is hereby declared to be, limited in its duration to the said first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two: *Provided*, That this act shall be of no force or effect to extend any charter aforesaid, till a majority in interest of the stockholders of the several Banks whose charters may be hereby extended, shall file their declarations, in writing, in the office of the Secretary of the Treasury, assenting to, and accepting, the benefit of this act.

Charters of the banks in the district paying specie, &c. continued until 1st June 1822.

Charter of the Bank of Columbia limited.

Proviso.

APPROVED, May 4, 1820.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. LXIII.—*An Act for the relief of James Merrill.*

May 4, 1820.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to cause to be placed on the list of navy pensioners, James Merrill, who, whilst engaged in the discharge of his duty, as an ordinary seaman, on board the United States' ship Adams, in the month of May, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, was accidentally injured by falling from the gun-deck into the hold of the ship; which injury has disabled him from obtaining a subsistence by his labor. And, in placing the said James Merrill on the list of pensioners, the Secretary of the Navy shall cause to be observed the regulations by law provided, in relation to persons authorized to be placed on the list of navy pensioners.

To be placed on navy pension list.

Regulations provided by law to be observed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this law shall be construed to take effect from the twenty-third day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

This law, when to take effect.

APPROVED, May 4, 1820.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. LXIV.—*An Act for the relief of the heirs and representatives of Isaac Melchior, deceased.*

May 4, 1820.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized and required to cancel and annul a bond given by Leonard Jacoby, Henry Sheaff, and Mary Hassenclever, to the United States, bearing date the fourteenth day of December, Anno Domini one

Bond given by L. Jacoby and others to be cancelled.



thousand eight hundred and three, in the penal sum of ten thousand two hundred and ninety-one dollars and twenty cents, with a condition for indemnifying the United States against any claim that might be made on account of certain certificates issued in favor of the Baron d'Uttrick, then represented to have been lost or mislaid, or on account of the payment made therefor, to the representatives of said Isaac Melchior, deceased.

APPROVED, May 4, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 4, 1820.

CHAP. LXV.—*An Act for the relief of Jacob Konkopot, and others, of the Nation of Stockbridge Indians, residing in the State of New York.*

Claim to be settled, &c.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to ascertain and settle, upon the principles of justice and equity, the claim of Jacob Konkopot, and others, of the Nation of Stockbridge Indians; and the amount, if any, found due to the said Indians, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That satisfactory proof be offered to the Secretary of War, of the actual service of such Indians on the Canadian frontier during the last war.

Proviso.

APPROVED, May 4, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 4, 1820.

CHAP. LXVI.—*An Act for the relief of William Coffin, and others.*

Drawback allowed on whale oil exported.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to allow the drawback on so much of a quantity of whale and sea-elephant oil, imported into the United States by William Coffin, and others, in the brig Bonif, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, as shall appear to have been exported from the United States: *Provided,* That it shall appear, to his satisfaction, that all the requisites of the existing laws respecting drawbacks have been complied with: And that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Proviso.

APPROVED, May 4, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 4, 1820.

CHAP. LXVII.—*An Act for the relief of John Law and Jonathan Elliot, citizens of the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia.*

Allowed until 30th July 1821 to comply with building regulations.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the time allowed to John Law and Jonathan Elliot, (now purchasers and holders of a lot A, part of a reservation numbered ten, in the city of Washington,) for complying with the building regulations of the said city of Washington, be extended for and during the term of one year, from and after the thirtieth day of July, eighteen hundred and twenty; any thing contained in any law of Congress, or regulation made pursuant thereto, in anywise to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPROVED, May 4, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 7, 1820.

CHAP. LXVIII.—*An Act for the relief of Elkanah Finney, and others.*

To be paid the amount of allowance under act of 29th July 1813, as if the vessel had returned to port.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the collector for the district of Plymouth, in the state of Massachusetts, be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to Elkanah Finney and others, owners of a fishing vessel called the Juno, of forty-five seventy-three ninety-fifths tons, and the legal representatives of the persons composing the late crew of said vessel, the amount of the allowance to which said vessel would have been entitled had she returned into port, after completing the term required by law; to be distributed in the manner prescribed in the fifth section of the act, entitled "An act laying a duty on imported salt, granting a bounty on pickled fish exported, and allowances to certain vessels employed in the

Act of July 29, 1813, ch. 35.

fisheries," passed on the twenty-ninth of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

APPROVED, May 7, 1820.

CHAP. LXIX.—*An Act for the relief of Joseph Bruce.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to pay to Joseph Bruce, the sum of sixty-five dollars, in full for his claim against the United States, on account of a horse lost in the public service during the late war; and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

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To be paid for a horse lost in the public service.

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To be paid for horses taken for the public use.

CHAP. LXX.—*An Act for the relief of Daniel Converse and George Miller.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Treasury cause to be paid to Daniel Converse one hundred and forty dollars, the value of two horses taken from him for the use of the United States; and to George Miller thirty-five dollars, for one horse taken from him at the same time, for the use aforesaid; and that the said sums be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

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May 8, 1820.

\$500 to be paid her in ten semi-annual instalments.

CHAP. LXXI.—*An Act for the relief of the widow of John Heaps, deceased.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Postmaster General be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to pay to the widow of John Heaps, late of the city of Baltimore, who, while employed as a carrier of the mail of the United States, and having the said mail in his custody, was beset by ruffians, and murdered; out of the money belonging to the United States arising from the postage of letters and packets, five hundred dollars, in ten equal semi-annual payments; the first payment to be made on the first day of June next.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 8, 1820.

To be paid for horses, &c. impressed.

CHAP. LXXII.—*An Act for the relief of Thomas C. Withers.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be paid to Thomas C. Withers the sum of three hundred and seventy dollars; the same being due for four horses, a wagon, and gear, impressed into the service of the United States during the late war; and that the aforesaid sum be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated: *Provided, however,* That there shall be deducted from the aforesaid sum, whatever amount the claimant may have received for the use of his wagon, team, and gear, as aforesaid.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

Proviso.

STATUTE I.

May 8, 1820.

1824, ch. 144. Accounts to be settled.

CHAP. LXXIII.—*An Act for the relief of John H. Piatt.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to settle the accounts of John H. Piatt, including his accounts for transportation, on just and equitable principles, giving all due weight and consideration to the settlements and allowances already made, and to the assurances and decisions of the war department: *Provided,* That the sum allowed under the said assurances, shall not exceed the amount now claimed by the United States, and for which suits have been commenced against the said John H. Piatt.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

Proviso.

## STATUTE I.

May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXIV.—*An Act for the relief of John McGrew, Richard Cravat, Hardy Perry, and Beley Cheney.*

Confirmed in their claims to land in Alabama.

Proviso.

Register and receiver to receive and record the evidence, &c.

Proviso.

Proviso.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That John McGrew, Richard Cravat, Hardy Perry, and Beley Cheney, be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their respective claims to land lying on the east side of the Tombigbee river, in the state of Alabama, founded on Spanish warrants of survey, issued prior to the twenty-seventh day of October, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five: *Provided,* The said claimants shall prove, to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of the land office within whose district the said lands are situated, that they were residents of the Mississippi territory on the day aforesaid; and that, prior to that period, the conditions of said warrants of survey were performed by them.

*SEC. 2. And be it further enacted,* That the register and receiver aforesaid, are hereby required to receive and record the evidence which may be offered in support of the claims enumerated in the first section of this act; and if it shall appear that the said claimants were residents of the late Mississippi territory, or had complied with the conditions of their warrants of survey, on the day and year in the foregoing section specified, it shall be the duty of the said register and receiver to issue to the said claimants certificates of confirmation, for the quantity of land mentioned in the said warrants of survey: *Provided,* No certificate shall be for a larger quantity than six hundred and forty acres: *And provided, also,* That the said lands have not been sold by the United States; in which case, the register and receiver shall make a special report of the fact, with all the evidence thereto appertaining, to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, who shall present the same to Congress at their next session, for their decision thereon.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

## STATUTE I.

May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXVI.—*An Act for the relief of Beck and Harvey.*

Certain duties to be refunded.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be refunded and paid to Beck and Harvey, of Philadelphia, the sum of three thousand three hundred and seventy-six dollars and nine cents; the said sum of money having been paid, by the persons above-mentioned, to the collector of Philadelphia, on the importation into the United States of sundry copper bottoms, and bolts, or bars, the same not being, by law, subject to the payment of duties.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

## STATUTE I.

May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXVII.—*An Act for the relief of the legal representatives of Henry Willis. (a)*

Act of Dec. 29, 1820, ch. 4.

Authorized to enter a tract of land, in lieu of two other tracts claimed by them.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the legal representatives of Henry Willis be, and they are hereby, authorized to enter, without payment, in lieu of two tracts of land, claimed by them, on the waters of Bayou Sarah, and which have been sold by the United States, in any land office in the states of Mississippi or Alabama, and in such quantities, agreeably to the surveys made by the United States, as the claimants may desire, a quantity not exceeding thirteen hundred arpens; for which the register or registers of the land offices aforesaid, shall issue the necessary certificate or certificates, on return of which, to the General Land

(a) The act of May 8, 1820, chap. 77, for the relief of the legal representatives of Henry Willis, did not authorize them to enter land surveyed and laid off for the town of Claiborne, in the state of Alabama. *Choutard v. Pope*, 12 Wheat. 586, 6 Cond. Rep. 655.

Office, a patent or patents shall issue in favor of said legal representatives.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

STATUTE I.  
May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXVIII.—*An Act for the relief of Stephen Baxter, late paymaster of the third regiment of New York volunteers.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to settle the accounts of Stephen Baxter, late paymaster of the third regiment of New York volunteers, upon the principles of justice and equity; and to allow him such credits as may appear due for moneys advanced to the troops in the service of the United States: *Provided, however,* That the allowance as aforesaid shall not exceed the amount advanced to him by the government of the United States.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

Accounts to  
be settled.

Proviso.

STATUTE I.  
May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXIX.—*An Act for the relief of Charles S. Jones, and Richard Buckner, jun., administrators of William Jones.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That Charles S. Jones and Richard Buckner, jun., administrators of William Jones, late collector of the direct tax for the twenty-third district of Virginia, be, and they are hereby, released and discharged from any liability for the sum of seven hundred and forty-seven dollars and forty-five cents; this sum being for stamps for which the estate of William Jones, deceased, stands charged on the books of the commissioner of the revenue, which stamps were lost during the absence and detention of the said William Jones from home, occasioned by an accident that deprived him of his life.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

Released from  
liability for  
stamps lost.

STATUTE I.  
May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXX.—*An Act for the relief of Daniel Bickley and Catharine Clark, administratrix of John Clark, deceased.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be paid to Daniel Bickley and to Catherine Clark, administratrix of John Clark, deceased, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, being the amount in value of a bill of exchange for twelve thousand francs, drawn the twenty-ninth day of May, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and five, by the Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States in France, upon the treasury of the United States, in favor of Bickley and Clark, and recorded in the office of the first auditor of the treasury, number seventy: *Provided, always,* That, before the said payment shall be made as aforesaid, security be given, to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury, to indemnify the United States against any claim that may be made on account of the said bill of exchange.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

To be paid the  
amount of a bill  
of exchange  
drawn by the  
U. S. minister  
in France, in  
favor of Bickley  
and Clark.

Proviso.

STATUTE I.  
May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXXI.—*An Act for the benefit of the Columbian Institute, established for the promotion of Arts and Sciences in the city of Washington.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be granted, during the pleasure of Congress, to the Columbian Institute for the promotion of Arts and Sciences, the use and improvement of a tract of public land in the city of Washington, not exceeding five acres, to be located under the direction of the President of the United States, for the purpose of enabling the said Columbian Institute to effect the object of their incorporation: *Provided,* That whenever the said Institute shall be dissolved, or cease to exist, or to employ the said tract of land for the purposes aforesaid,

The use of not  
exceeding five  
acres of ground  
granted to the  
Columbian  
Institute.

Proviso.

all right, title, and interest, hereby granted to the same, shall revert to, and vest in, the United States, as completely as if such grant had never been made.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXXII.—*An Act for the relief of John D. Carter.*

\$5987.90 to be paid to him, being amount of U. S. portion of prize goods captured in the Mandarin, &c.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be paid to John D. Carter, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated by law, the sum of five thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven dollars and ninety cents, being that part of the proceeds of certain goods and merchandise, belonging to the said John D. Carter, captured on board the ship Mandarin, and brought into the port of Philadelphia, and there condemned, as prize of war, which were paid into the treasury of the United States, as the United States' portion of said prize.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 8, 1820.

CHAP. LXXXIII.—*An Act for the relief of the heirs of Abijah Hunt and William Gordon Forman.*

Confirmed in their claim to a tract of land in Mississippi.

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*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the heirs of Abijah Hunt and William Gordon Forman be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their claim to fifteen hundred arpens of land, situated on the Mississippi river, near the mouth of Cole's creek, in the state of Mississippi, being the same land which was conveyed to Abijah Hunt and William Gordon Forman, on the thirty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and two, by Charles Norwood, executor of the last will and testament of John Turnbull: *Provided,* Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to affect the claim of any other person or persons to the said land, or any part thereof, derived either from the United States or from any other source whatsoever.

APPROVED, May 8, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 11, 1820.

CHAP. XC.—*An Act for the relief of General James Wilkinson.*

Amount of a judgment against him to be discharged.

Appropriation.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department settle and discharge the amount of a judgment, with interest, if any shall have accrued, and cost, which General John Adair, lately, in the superior court of Mississippi, recovered of General James Wilkinson, for false imprisonment, to the person who may have paid off said judgment; or, if undischarged, to the person entitled thereto.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That a sum, not exceeding three thousand dollars, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of said expenses and damages.

APPROVED, May 11, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 11, 1820.

CHAP. XCI.—*An Act for the relief of Martha Flood.*

\$122.04 to be paid to her, as administratrix, &c.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there shall be paid, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Martha Flood, administratrix of William Flood, late of Buckingham county, in the state of Virginia, the sum of one hundred and twenty-two dollars and four cents, being the amount paid by the said William Flood for the duty charged on a boiler used for the boiling of water only, which boiler was not legally subject to duty.

APPROVED, May 11, 1820.

CHAP. XCV.—*An Act for the relief of Angus O. Fraser and others.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Angus O. Fraser and others, who, at the time of the seizure of the British vessel Ardent, in or near the river Mississippi, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eleven, by the United States' revenue cutter Louisiana, were officers of the said cutter, or to their legal representatives, the sum of five thousand two hundred and thirty-nine dollars and sixty-two cents, in such proportions as, by law, they are severally entitled to; being one half of the amount paid into the treasury, as the United States' moiety of the net proceeds of the said vessel and cargo, condemned in the district court of the United States for the district of New Orleans; and to which half the said officers were entitled under the provisions of the "Act to prohibit the importation of certain goods, wares, or merchandise," passed on the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and six, to be distributed among the said officers, or their legal representatives, as provided by the said act.

APPROVED, May 11, 1820.

STATUTE I.  
May 11, 1820.

Payment to officers of revenue cutter Louisiana, on account of seizure of British vessel Ardent, &c.

Act of April 18, 1806, ch. 29.

CHAP. XCVI.—*An Act for the relief of Samuel B. Beall.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to pay to Samuel B. Beall, the amount of two final settlement certificates, issued to the said Samuel B. Beall on the first of February, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five, for his services as a lieutenant in the army of the United States, during the revolutionary war, and numbered eighty-nine thousand four hundred and fifty-six, and eighty-nine thousand four hundred and fifty-seven, together with interest on the said certificates, at the rate of six per centum per annum, from the times they bore interest, respectively; which said certificates were lost by the said Samuel B. Beall, and remain yet outstanding and unpaid: *Provided*, That, before payment is made as aforesaid, the said Samuel B. Beall shall give bond to the United States, to be approved of by the Secretary of the Treasury, to refund the money, should the said certificates hereafter be presented for payment.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sums to be paid, in pursuance of the first section of this act, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, May 11, 1820.

STATUTE I.  
May 11, 1820.

To be paid the amount of two final settlement certificates, which were lost, &c.

Proviso.

Appropriation.

CHAP. XCVIII.—*An Act giving the right of pre-emption to James Shields.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That James Shields be, and he is hereby, entitled to a preference in becoming the purchaser, at private sale, of fractional section numbered eighteen, in township numbered six, north of range numbered six, east of the second principal meridian, within the limits of the Jeffersonville district; at the same price, and on the same terms and conditions, as are provided by law for the other public lands in the said district at private sale.

APPROVED, May 12, 1820.

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Entitled to a preference in the purchase of a fractional section, &c.

CHAP. C.—*An Act for the relief of Susannah Stewart.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of State be, and he hereby is, authorized and required, upon the surrender of a certificate given at the

STATUTE I.  
May 13, 1820.

Sec. of State authorized, on surrender of certificate, &c., to deliver the papers mentioned therein.

department of state, on the thirtieth December, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and signed by S. Pleasonton, acknowledging the deposit of certain papers, therein specified, by Charles J. Ingersoll, attorney in fact of Susannah Stewart, to deliver to the said Susannah Stewart, or to her agent, duly empowered, the several papers in the said certificate mentioned and contained.

APPROVED, May 13, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CV.—*An Act for the relief of James Leander Cathcart.*

Accounts to be settled.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers in the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized to settle the account of James Leander Cathcart, and to allow his claim for one half of a bill of exchange drawn by John Robertson, master of the brig Independent, on the Secretary of State of the United States, paid by him, and charged to said James Leander Cathcart; also, for one thousand dollars paid by said Cathcart, for the support of American captives at Algiers; and two thousand dollars paid by him for his ransom from Algerine captivity; and five thousand six hundred dollars, for twenty-eight months' service, between October, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, and July, seventeen hundred ninety-seven, in originating and promoting the negotiation with Algiers, for the liberation of American captives, the conclusion of a treaty of peace, and the procuring in the United States the presents afterwards forwarded to Algiers. And that the said claims and services be paid to said Cathcart, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated by law; the said Cathcart receiving the same in full satisfaction of all his claims against the United States.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

1822, ch. 59.

Account to be settled, and amount due to be paid.

CHAP. CVI.—*An Act authorizing the settlement of the accounts between the United States and Richard O'Brien, late American Consul at Algiers.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to liquidate and settle the accounts subsisting between the United States and Richard O'Brien, late American consul at Algiers, under the instruction and direction of the Secretary of State, and that the amount due upon such settlement to said Richard O'Brien be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That this act shall not be construed to authorize the allowance of any claim, except such as might have been settled at the department but for the loss of vouchers; and that no allowance shall be made for any interest of the said Richard O'Brien in the cargo of the polacre Vickelage, captured on her passage from Algiers to the United States.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXIV.—*An Act authorizing the Secretary of State to issue Letters Patent to Henry Burdin.*

Letters patent to be issued for an improved plough.

Act of Feb. 21, 1793, ch. 11.  
Act of April 17, 1800, ch. 25.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of State be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to issue Letters Patent to Henry Burdin, for his improvement in the construction of a plough, upon his complying with the directions of the act, entitled "An act to promote the progress of the useful arts, and to repeal the act heretofore made for that purpose," and an act, entitled "An act to extend the privilege of obtaining patents for useful discoveries and inventions to certain persons therein mentioned, and to enlarge and define the penalties for violating the rights of patentees," except so far as the said acts, or any part or parts of them,

require a residence of two years within the United States, in like manner, in all respects, as if the said Henry Burdin had resided two years within the United States.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXV.—*An Act for the relief of Richard S. Hackley.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That there be paid to Richard S. Hackley, or to his agent or attorney, duly authorized, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand two hundred and thirteen dollars and seventy-four cents; being the amount of expenses incurred and paid by him, in and about the detention of the ship Vigilant, seized by him at Cadiz, in the year one thousand eight hundred and nine, under the orders of George W. Erwing, Esquire, then Minister of the United States in Spain.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.  
May 15, 1820.

\$6213.74 to be paid him, being his expenses in the case of the ship Vigilant.

CHAP. CXVI.—*An Act for the relief of Ambrose Vasse.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to pay to Ambrose Vasse, of the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, the sum of thirteen thousand three hundred and seventy-eight dollars and sixty-three cents; being the sum awarded to be paid him for the cargo of the ship Olive Branch, by the Board of Commissioners, under the seventh article of the treaty of the twentieth of November, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, between the United States and Great Britain: *Provided,* There is as much money remaining of the fund which, by law, was appropriated for the payment of the awards under the said seventh article of the said treaty: or to pay such part thereof, as the fund aforesaid, remaining in the treasury, will enable.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.  
May 15, 1820.

Award to him in the case of the ship Olive Branch.

Proviso.

CHAP. CXX.—*An Act for the relief of the legal representatives of Conrad Laub, deceased.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the person authorized to transact the business of the late Supervisor of the Revenue in the state of Pennsylvania, be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to revise the accounts of Conrad Laub, deceased, late a collector of internal duties in the state aforesaid, and to audit and settle the same, admitting, on sufficient evidence, all legal or equitable credits not heretofore allowed or rejected by Congress.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That if the administrator of the said Conrad Laub, deceased, shall be dissatisfied with the settlement and decision of the person authorized to transact the business of the supervisor aforesaid, he may, within three months after such decision, appeal from the same upon such items in the account as he shall specially designate, stating, in writing, his objections to the decision on the same, to the accounting officers of the treasury department; and, upon such appeal being taken and presented to the treasury department within the time aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the accounting officers of that department to audit and settle the same, according to the rules prescribed by this act, and in such manner as the justice of the case may require.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That if, upon the settlement of the accounts as aforesaid, of the said Conrad Laub, deceased, it shall appear that he is entitled to further credits than have heretofore been received, it shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Treasury to allow the same, and credit his account therewith.

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May 15, 1820.

Accounts of C. Laub to be revised and settled.

If the administrator of C. Laub is dissatisfied, he may appeal, &c.

Further credits to be allowed, if, on settlement, he be entitled.



Allowance made not to exceed the balance due, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the legal and equitable allowance so to be made, shall not exceed the balance which is due to the United States; nor shall any allowance, so ascertained, be passed to his credit, unless the administrator shall forthwith pay such remaining balance, if any, as shall, upon said settlement, be found to be due and owing from the said Conrad Laub.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXIV.—*An Act for the relief of Thomas Leiper.*

To be paid the value of six loan office certificates, with interest.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That there be paid to Thomas Leiper the specie value of four Loan Office Certificates, numbered two thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, two thousand nine hundred and four, two thousand nine hundred and five, two thousand nine hundred and six, and issued by the Commissioner of Loans for the state of Pennsylvania, in the name of Thomas Leiper, on the twenty-seventh day of February, seventeen hundred and seventy-nine, for one thousand dollars each; and also the specie value of two Loan Office Certificates, numbered two thousand nine hundred and sixty, and two thousand nine hundred and sixty-one, issued by the Commissioner of Loans for the state of Pennsylvania, on the second day of March, seventeen hundred and seventy-nine, for one thousand dollars each; which certificates appear to be outstanding on the books of the treasury; with interest, at six per centum, annually; out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated: *Provided*, That the said Thomas Leiper shall first execute and deliver to the Comptroller of the Treasury a bond of indemnity, in such sum, and with such security, as shall be satisfactory to the said Comptroller.

Proviso.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXVIII.—*An Act for the relief of the legal representatives of Tench Francis, deceased.*

Accounts to be settled.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized to audit and settle the accounts of Tench Francis, deceased, late purveyor of public supplies, in such manner and upon such terms, as may appear just and reasonable: *Provided*, That the sum to be credited to said Francis, after charging him with all payments made to any person or persons for his use, shall not exceed the sum standing to his debit in the books of the treasury.

Proviso.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXIX.—*An Act for the relief of Joshua Newsom, Peter Crook, and James Rabb.*

Claim for horses impressed to be settled.

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the proper accounting officer of the treasury department be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to audit and settle the claims of Joshua Newsom and of Peter Crook, for two horses each, and of James Rabb, for seven horses, alleged to have been impressed into the public service in the Seminole war: *Provided*, That such impressment, and the value of said horses when impressed, be satisfactorily proved; that said horses were not returned to their owners; and that any compensation which may have been allowed and paid for the service of said horses, after the time of their impressment, be deducted.

Proviso.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the amount thereof, when ascertained as aforesaid, be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

CHAP. CXXX.—*An Act for the relief of Thomas Hunter.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department audit and settle the claim of Thomas Hunter, late a soldier in the nineteenth regiment of United States infantry, for retained bounty, pay, and travelling allowances, due him at the time of his honourable discharge; and to pay the amount due him to Sterling Johnson, his attorney in fact, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury: *Provided*, That the said Sterling Johnson shall make and deliver, to the First Comptroller of the Treasury, a bond, in such sum, and with such surety, as the said Comptroller may direct, to secure the United States against a repayment of the sum which may be allowed and paid as aforesaid.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

Claim to be settled, and amount paid to S. Johnson.

Proviso.

CHAP. CXXXVIII.—*An Act for the relief of Richard Smyth.*

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized, in the settlement of the account of Richard Smyth, late collector of direct taxes and internal revenue, for the territory of Michigan, to credit the said Smyth with the amount of public moneys of which he was robbed in the month of April, eighteen hundred and eighteen: *Provided*, That the amount so credited to him shall not exceed the balance now standing against him on the books of the treasury.

APPROVED, May 15, 1820.

STATUTE I.

May 15, 1820.

To be credited with amount of moneys of which he was robbed in April 1818.

Proviso.