

that satisfied the land officers that the said tracts of land were in market and legally liable to be so entered; viz: the east fractional part of the south-west quarter of fractional section one; the north-east, north-west, and south-east fractional quarters, and the east half of the south-west quarter of fractional section twelve; and the north-west, south-west, and south-east fractional quarters of fractional section thirteen, all in township ten south, of range one west, in the state of Arkansas, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed, and patents shall issue to the purchaser as in other cases, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

APPROVED, February 12, 1839.

STATUTE III.

Feb. 13, 1839.

Payment of a judgment and costs against special agent, &c.

CHAP. XXII.—*An Act for the relief of William B. Ferguson and sureties.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Postmaster-General pay out of the post office fund for mail depredations and special agents, four hundred and fifty dollars, the amount of a judgment and costs in the superior court of law in Guilford county, North Carolina, obtained at the Spring term, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, of said court, by John A. Mebane, against William B. Ferguson, and for which judgment and costs J. J. M. Lindsay and William Adams are liable as bail of said Ferguson, who was special and confidential agent for the Post Office Department, and in consequence of his acts as such, said judgment and costs were recovered against him.

APPROVED, February 13, 1839.

STATUTE III.

Feb. 13, 1839.

Preamble.

CHAP. XXIII.—*An Act for the relief of Dr. John Campbell White, of Baltimore, in the state of Maryland.*

Whereas, the said John Campbell White hath by his petition set forth that, on the twelfth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three, he did, in the district court of the United States in and for the district of Maryland, declare his intention to become a citizen of the United States, pursuant to the act of Congress in such case made and provided; and that afterwards, to wit: on the third day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four, he proved before the said court that he was residing within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States from the month of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, and had continued to reside within the same to that time; and making the proof and declarations required by law, he was, by the judgment of the said court, admitted to become a citizen of the United States, pursuant to the act of Congress in such case made and provided; and that, by the misprision or mistake of the said clerk, the surname of the said petitioner is omitted in the record of the said naturalization, and the said record is made in the name of John Campbell, and that the said district court aforesaid have declined to order the record to be amended, because the application for that purpose came too late; and whereas, it is right and just that the misprision or mistake of the clerk in the entry of the said record should be corrected, in a case where no injustice can be done to any other person by such amendment; therefore,

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the district court of the United States in and for the district of Maryland, be, and it is hereby, authorized to cause the record of the naturalization of John Campbell White, made in the name of John Campbell, on the third day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four, to be amended according to the truth of the fact, notwithstanding the lapse of time; and for that purpose to receive either written or parole evidence to prove the identity of the said John Campbell White and John Campbell named

Record of the naturalization of J. C. White to be corrected, &c.