

PRIVATE ACTS OF THE EIGHTH 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 fifth day of November, 1804, and ended the third day of March, 1805.

THOMAS JEFFERSON, President; AARON BURR, Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate; JOSEPH ANDERSON, President of the Senate, pro tempore, from the 19th to the 31st day of January, 1805, inclusive, and on the 1st and 3d day of March; NATHANIEL MACON, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

STATUTE II.

Jan. 23, 1805.

CHAP. VIII.—*An Act for the relief of Charlotte Hazen, widow and relict of the late Brigadier-General Moses Hazen.*

Annual pension allowed to Charlotte Hazen, widow of Brig. Gen. Hazen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be allowed to Charlotte Hazen, widow and relict of the late Brigadier-General Moses Hazen, for her support, the annual sum of two hundred dollars, during her life, to commence from the fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and three; and that the sum hereby granted be paid to her the said Charlotte, in the same manner, and under the same rules, regulations and restrictions, as pensions are paid to invalids who have heretofore been placed on the pension-list of the United States.

APPROVED, January 23, 1805.

STATUTE II.

Jan. 31, 1805.

Case of the Charming Betsey, 2 Cranch 64, 1 Cond. Rep. 358.

CHAP. XII.—*An Act for the relief of Alexander Murray.*

Be it enacted, &c., That the proper accounting officers liquidate and adjust with Alexander Murray, the account of damages, interest and charges, in the case of the schooner Charming Betsey, recaptured by him while commander of the frigate Constellation, in the service of the United States, during the year one thousand eight hundred, and afterwards libelled in the District Court of the United States, for the District of Pennsylvania, in which case judgment was ultimately rendered by the circuit court, in pursuance of a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States; and that so much as may be necessary for satisfying the same be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, January 31, 1805.

STATUTE II.

Jan. 31, 1805.

Services as Secretary of the Mississippi territory.

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

Be it enacted, &c., That the proper accounting officers liquidate and settle the account of John Steele, for his services as Secretary of the Mississippi Territory, from the seventh day of May, eighteen hundred

and two, to the second day of March, eighteen hundred and three, inclusively; and that there be paid to him for his salary and official expenditures, such compensation as is by law allowed to persons acting in that capacity.

APPROVED, January 31, 1805.

CHAP. XXII.—*An Act authorizing the discharge of John York from his imprisonment.*

STATUTE II.
March 2, 1805.

Be it enacted, &c., That the marshal of the District of New York, be authorized and directed to discharge John York, late a collector of the direct tax, for the eighty-third collection district, in the State of New York, from his imprisonment, upon a warrant of distress issued against him, by the supervisor of said district: *Provided,* That he take, before any judge of the United States, or any judge or justice of the peace of the State of New York, so much of an oath imposed upon persons imprisoned for debt, by the second section of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of persons imprisoned for debt," as relates to his not having transferred his property, with intent to defraud the United States: *And provided,* That he shall assign and convey all the estate, real and personal, which he may own or be entitled to, to some person, for the use and benefit of the United States, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury: *Provided, also,* That any estate, real or personal, which the said John York may hereafter acquire, shall be liable to be taken and sold, in the same manner, as if he had never been imprisoned and discharged, as aforesaid.

John York to be discharged from his imprisonment.

Conditions prescribed.
Act of Jan. 6, 1800, ch. 4.

APPROVED, March 2, 1805.

CHAP. XXV.—*An Act for the relief of the widow and orphan children of Robert Elliott.*

STATUTE II.
March 2, 1805.

Be it enacted, &c., That the sum of two thousand dollars be allowed to the widow of Robert Elliott, who was killed by a party of hostile Indians, while he was conducting necessary supplies to the army, commanded by Major-General Wayne, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, and that the same be paid to her, for the use of herself and the children of the said Robert Elliott, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Allowance of \$2000.

APPROVED, March 2, 1805.

CHAP. XXXVII.—*An Act making provision for the widow and orphan children of Thomas Flinn.*

STATUTE II.
March 3, 1805.

Be it enacted, &c., That the sum of five hundred and eighteen dollars, with interest from the fifteenth of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, be allowed to the widow of Thomas Flinn, an interpreter and guide, who was killed with Colonel John Harding, while employed in bearing messages of peace to the hostile Indians, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-two; and that the aforesaid sum and interest be paid to the said widow, for the use of herself and the orphan children of the said Thomas Flinn, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Allowance to the widow and orphans of T. Flinn, killed in the Indian war of 1792.

APPROVED, March 3, 1805.

CHAP. XXXIX.—*An Act for the relief of George Scoone and Alexander Cameron.*

STATUTE II.
March 3, 1805.

Be it enacted, &c., That George Scoone, late a corporal in the fifth Maryland regiment, in the army of the revolution, be placed on the pension list of the United States, and receive from the fifth of March,

Geo. Scoone placed on pension list.

seventeen hundred and ninety, a pension of the half pay of a corporal for and during his life.

Alex. Cameron
placed on pension list.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That Alexander Cameron, late a soldier in the second regiment of the North Carolina line, of the army of the revolution, be placed on the pension list of the United States, and receive, from the first day of January last, a pension of the half pay of a private for and during his life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1805.

STATUTE II.

March 3, 1805.

CHAP. XLV.—*An Act for the relief of Richard Taylor.*

A pension as
a spy.

Be it enacted, &c., That Richard Taylor, of Kentucky, who was employed in the service of the United States, as an escort, spy and guide, at the daily pay of one dollar and twenty-five cents, during hostilities with certain Indians, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, and was disabled by being wounded while in such service, shall be placed on the list of invalid pensioners of the United States, at the rate of twenty dollars per month, to commence on the first day of January, in the present year, in lieu of his present rate of pension.

APPROVED, March 3, 1805.

STATUTE II.

March 3, 1805.

CHAP. XLVI.—*An Act for the relief of Robert Patton, and others.*

Foreign tonnage duty paid by Patton and others to be returned, &c.

Be it enacted, &c., That the collector for the District of Tappahannock be, and he hereby is directed to repay to Robert Patton and company, and Samuel Pearson, the owners of the schooner Iris, a vessel of the United States, the amount received from them for foreign tonnage on said schooner; and he hereby is also directed to repay to Samuel Gordon and others, the owners of the cargo of said schooner, the amount of the ten per cent. additional duties, received from them upon the said cargo, at the entry thereof at Tappahannock, in the year one thousand eight hundred and four.

Bounty or allowance on a fishing voyage to be paid to Edmund Briggs and others.

Act of Feb. 10, 1807, ch. 10.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the collector for the District of Newport be, and he hereby is directed to pay to Edmund Briggs, jun., and others, the master and crew of the schooner Phebe, the amount of bounty or allowance arising on a fishing voyage which was made in the said vessel, in the year one thousand eight hundred and four, upon satisfactory proof being exhibited to him that the said schooner was employed during the four months of the fishing season.

APPROVED, March 3, 1805.