

PRIVATE ACTS OF THE THIRTIETH 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 4th Day of December, 1848, and ended Saturday, March 3, 1849.

JAMES K. POLK, President; GEORGE M. DALLAS, Vice-President, and President of the Senate; DAVID R. ATCHISON, President of the Senate pro tempore on and after March 2, 1849; ROBERT C. WINTHROP, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Dec. 21, 1848.

CHAPTER I.—*An Act for the Relief of the Heirs of Jean F. Perry, Josiah Bleakley, Nicholas Jarrot, and Robert Morrison.*

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 at Kaskaskia be required to issue certificates of confirmation on the several claims to lands confirmed to the said Jean F. Perry, Josiah Bleakley, Nicholas Jarrot, and Robert Morrison, by the governors of the north-western or Indiana Territories, upon those claims where such certificates have not heretofore issued, which certificates shall be issued to the heirs of the said persons, and shall not exceed in the whole four thousand six hundred acres of land.

Certificates of confirmation on certain land claims to be issued to J. F. Perry and others.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That such certificates may be located in legal subdivisions upon any land subject to private entry in any land office in Illinois, established for the sale of the public lands agreeably to the provisions of the act entitled "An Act confirming certain claims to land in the Illinois Territory, and providing for their location," approved April sixteenth, eighteen hundred and fourteen, and patents shall be issued therefor agreeably to said act.

Where to be located.

1814, ch. 61.

Patents to issue.

APPROVED, December 21, 1848.

CHAP. II.—*An Act for the Relief of Reuben Perry and Thomas P. Ligon.*

Jan. 8, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to ascertain the cost of the stone cornice upon the branch mint erected at Charlotte, in the State of North Carolina, under a contract made by the United States in October, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, with Reuben Perry and Thomas P. Ligon, and, if he shall find that the aforesaid stone cornice was substituted by proper authority, and was beneficial to the building, shall pay the said cost to the said Perry and Ligon in full compensation for said stone cornice.

The Secretary of the Treasury to ascertain the cost of the stone cornice on the branch mint at Charlotte, N. C.

Amount found due to be paid R. Perry and T. P. Ligon.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

CHAP. III. — *An Act for the Relief of Hugh Riddle.*

A pension of \$8 per month allowed Hugh Riddle.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Hugh Riddle, of the city and county of Schenectady, and State of New York, be placed on the roll of invalid pensions, and that the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to the said Hugh Riddle the sum of eight dollars per month, to commence on the first day of January, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, during his natural life.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

CHAP. IV. — *An Act for the Relief of Elisha Thomason.*

Elisha Thomason allowed to complete his entry and purchase of a certain tract of land.

Proviso.

Other land to be reserved for schools in lieu thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Elisha Thomason is hereby permitted to complete his entry and purchase of the north-east quarter of section sixteen, in township fifteen, range five east, in the land district north of Red River: *Provided, however,* That said Thomason shall first procure and file with the register of the district the assent, in writing, of the commissioners of schools, and a majority of the free white adult male inhabitants of the township in which said land lies, to such entry and purchase.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* If such entry and purchase shall be made by said Thomason in pursuance of the section aforesaid, then the register of the land office and receiver of public money in said district, under the directions of the Secretary of the Treasury, shall select and reserve for the use of schools in said township, other land in the same or adjoining township, of the same extent and quality with those which said Thomason is hereby allowed to enter and purchase as aforesaid.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

CHAP. V. — *An Act for the Relief of Zilpha White.*

Zilpha White's name to be placed on the revolutionary pension roll.

To have the benefit of future acts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to cause the name of Zilpha White, widow of William White, of Tolland, Connecticut, to be placed upon the pension list, for six months' services of her husband as a private soldier in the revolutionary war, her pension to commence on the fourth of March, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That said Zilpha White shall be entitled to the full benefit of all laws which may hereafter be enacted, continuing in force the acts mentioned in the foregoing section.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

CHAP. VI. — *An Act for the Relief of Philip J. Fontané.*

P. J. Fontané to be paid \$1000 in full for balance due him for mason work.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury pay to Philip J. Fontané, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, one thousand dollars in full for balance due him for mason work done at Love Key beacon, under a contract with the collector of Key West.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

CHAP. VII. — *An Act for the Relief of Eliza A. Mellon.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby required to place the name of Eliza A. Mellon, widow of the late Captain Charles Mellon, who fell at Fort Mellon, in Florida, upon the pension roll, at the rate of twenty dollars per month, commencing on the eighth day of February, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, and continuing during her natural life.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

A pension of \$20 per month allowed Eliza A. Mellon.

CHAP. VIII. — *An Act for the Relief of the Heirs of William Evans.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, directed to allow and pay to the heirs of William Evans, a pensioner on the revolutionary invalid pension roll, the amount of his invalid pension from the third day of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-six, to the third day of November, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, during which time his said pension was withheld or discontinued in consequence of his taking the benefit of the act entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the army of the revolution," passed May fifteen, eighteen hundred and twenty-eight.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

Heirs of Wm. Evans, deceased, to be allowed and paid certain arrearages of pension due to deceased.

1828, ch. 53.

CHAP. IX. — *An Act for the Relief of Charles Waldron.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay Charles Waldron the sum of one hundred and ninety-eight dollars and fifty cents, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

\$198 50 to be paid Charles Waldron.

CHAP. X. — *An Act for the Relief of Simon Rodrigues.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the claim of Simon Rodrigues to his ancient settlement of four hundred arpens of land, situate in the parish of St. Tammany, in the State of Louisiana, or to so much thereof as can be located in accordance with the lines of public surveys, and without interference with preëxisting rights, or grants, or sales by the United States, be, and the same is hereby, confirmed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That if any portion of the ancient settlement aforesaid shall be covered by preëxisting rights, or grants, or sales by the United States, the said Simon Rodrigues shall be entitled to enter at the land office of the district within which the said ancient settlement is situate, such quantity of land, not more than equal to such deficit, as he may select, the same not being covered by a preëmption right, and subject to private entry.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the acceptance, by the said Simon Rodrigues, of the provisions of this act, entirely, or in part, shall be held as a full satisfaction of his said ancient claim, as in favor of the United States, as also in favor of conflicting claimants, if any such there be.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849

Jan. 8, 1849.

Claim of Simon Rodrigues to a certain tract of land confirmed.

If any portion of said land shall be covered by preëxisting rights, or grants, he shall be allowed to enter other lands in lieu thereof.

The acceptance by said Rodrigues of this act to be held as a full satisfaction of his claims.

Jan. 8, 1849.

CHAP. XI. — *An Act for the Relief of Archibald Bull and Lemuel S. Finch.*

A. Bull and L. S. Finch to be paid for their services as judge and sheriff in detecting a forgery on the pension fund.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Archibald Bull the sum of fifteen dollars and twenty-five cents, and to Lemuel S. Finch the sum of sixty-three dollars and thirty-eight cents, being for services, &c., rendered as judge and as sheriff to the United States, to detect a forgery on the pension fund.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

CHAP. XII. — *An Act for the Relief of Colonel Robert Wallace, Aid-de-camp to General William Hull.*

Col. R. Wallace to be paid \$734 in full compensation for his services as aid-de-camp to Brigadier-General William Hull.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to Colonel Robert Wallace, or his legal representative, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seven hundred and thirty-four dollars, in full compensation for his services as aid-de-camp to Brigadier-General William Hull, commencing May first, eighteen hundred and twelve, and continuing for the period of twelve months; and the further sum of one hundred and eighty dollars for one of the horses alleged to have been taken by the enemy at the surrender of General Hull.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 8, 1849.

CHAP. XIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Esther Russell.*

Pension of Esther Russell increased.

1832, ch. 126.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be directed to increase the pension of Esther Russell, widow of Philip M. Russell, a surgeon's mate in the army of the revolution, to such sum as would have been allowed her husband for a service of two years as surgeon's mate during the war of the revolution, by virtue of an act passed the seventh day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, entitled "An Act supplementary to the act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the revolution;" said pension, so increased, to commence from the fourth day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and to continue for and during her natural life.

APPROVED, January 8, 1849.

Jan. 10, 1849.

CHAP. XV. — *An Act for the Relief of James B. Davenport.*

Titles to two tracts of land confirmed to Jas. B. Davenport.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the titles to two tracts of land, situated in the parish of Moorhouse, and State of Louisiana, one containing three hundred and eighty arpents, being part of a large tract of land commonly known as the Baron de Bastrop grant, which was assigned and set off to the said James B. Davenport, in the partition of the real estate of his father, the late Josiah Davenport, deceased, by deed bearing date the fourth of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten; the other containing seven hundred and sixty-six acres of land, being part of a large tract commonly known as "The

Bell Grove" tract, and which was conveyed by Richard Crampton to the said James B. Davenport, by deed bearing date the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed, so far as the United States have title thereto, to the said James B. Davenport, his heirs and assigns: *Provided*, That this act shall not be so construed as in any manner to confirm any part of the said De Bastrop grant, save the said two tracts, or to affect the rights of third persons in said two tracts hereby confirmed.

APPROVED, January 10, 1849.

Proviso.

CHAP. XVI. — *An Act for the Relief of Anthony Bessee.*

Jan. 10, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the surveyor-general of the State of Louisiana is hereby authorized and directed to locate for Anthony Bessee, in full satisfaction of his six hundred and forty acre confirmed settlement claim, in the parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the like area, according to the lines of the public surveys, upon any unappropriated land belonging to the United States in the Greensburgh land district, Louisiana, and, upon the return of a certificate of such location to the General Land Office, a patent shall issue to the said Bessee.

Surveyor-general of Louisiana to locate for Anthony Bessee 640 acres of public land.

Patent to issue.

APPROVED, January 10, 1849.

CHAP. XVII. — *An Act to confirm Elizabeth Burriss, her Heirs, or Assigns, in their Title to a Tract of Land.*

Jan. 10, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Elizabeth Burriss, her heirs, or assigns, be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their claim to a tract of land, containing six hundred and forty acres, situate in the Greensburgh land district, in the State of Louisiana, being the same on which said Elizabeth Burriss resided on and previous to the third of March, eighteen hundred and nineteen, and confirmed by commissioner's certificate number two hundred and seven, dated the eighth day of November, eighteen hundred and nineteen, saving and reserving any and all previous confirmations, sales, or grants, made by the United States, conflicting with the said claim of said Elizabeth Burriss; and if any sales of all or a portion of said claim have been made by the United States, the said Elizabeth shall be entitled to select a quantity of land equal to the amount so sold by the United States, by legal subdivisions, elsewhere, within said land district.

Claim of Elizabeth Burriss to a certain tract of land confirmed.

APPROVED, January 10, 1849.

CHAP. XVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of John B. Smith and Simeon Darden.*

Jan. 10, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to pay, or cause to be paid, by the proper disbursing officer, the sum of one hundred dollars, to the said John B. Smith and Simeon Darden, for labor and expenses incurred by them in the pursuit and arrest of John Weaver, who was tried and convicted, in the District Court of the United States for the middle district of Alabama, of the crime of stealing from the mail of the United States.

Messrs. Smith and Darden to be paid \$100 for their services and expenses incurred in the arrest of John Weaver, who was convicted of robbing the mail.

APPROVED, January 10, 1849.

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Jan. 19, 1849.

CHAP. XXI. — *An Act for the Relief of Mrs. Anne W. Angus.*

A pension of \$50 per month allowed Anne W. Angus for 5 years.

Proviso.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a pension of fifty dollars per month, for the term of five years, to commence on the fourth of March next, be paid to Anne W. Angus, widow of Samuel Angus, late a post captain in the navy, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That, in case of the death of said Anne W. Angus during the said term, said grant shall enure to the benefit of her children for the remainder thereof; and in case of her ceasing to be a widow, said grant shall cease altogether.

APPROVED, January 19, 1849.

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CHAP. XXII. — *An Act for the Relief of Marcus Fulton Johnson.*

A preëmption allowed M. F. Johnson to a certain tract of land in Louisiana on certain conditions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall be satisfied that the inhabitants of township number eighteen, of range thirteen east, in the Ouachita land district, have abandoned or relinquished their claim to lot or fractional section number thirty-three, in said township, as a selection for school purposes, then and thenceforth the said lot of land last named shall be open to the preëmption claim and location of the said Marcus Fulton Johnson, upon proper proof being made, as is required by existing laws.

APPROVED, January 19, 1849.

Jan. 19, 1849.

CHAP. XXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of James M. Scantland.*

A pension of \$50 per month allowed J. M. Scantland.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War allow and pay to James M. Scantland fifty dollars per month during his natural life, in lieu of the pension now allowed him by law, to commence on the eighteenth December, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

APPROVED, January 19, 1849.

Jan. 26, 1849.

CHAP. XXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of Joseph Bryan.*

\$282 to be paid Joseph Bryan for certain disbursements.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, directed to pay out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Joseph Bryan, or his legal representative, the sum of two hundred and eighty-two dollars, in full payment for certain disbursements made by Commander J. D. Williamson, of the United States ship Ontario, at Nassau, New Providence, on the ninth and twelfth of October, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

Jan. 26, 1849.

CHAP. XXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of James H. Conley.*

\$222 88 to be paid in full for

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and hereby is, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise

appropriated, the sum of two hundred and twenty-two dollars and eighty-eight cents, in addition to the amount appropriated by the "Act for the relief of James H. Conley," approved March three, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, the sum of both of said appropriations to be paid to the said James H. Conley in full payment for his services as acting carpenter on board the United States steam-ship Princeton, from the eighth day of September, eighteen hundred and forty-three, to the seventh day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-six, subject to deduction of such amounts as have already been paid him for his said services, and of his monthly contribution due to the hospital fund.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

services of J. H. Conley as acting carpenter on board the U. S. ship Princeton. 1847, ch. 112.

Subject to certain deductions.

CHAP. XXVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Thomas Badger.*

Jan. 26, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to place the name of Thomas Badger, now a resident of the town of Plattsburgh, in the county of Clinton, in the State of New York, on the list of invalid pensioners; and that the said Badger receive a pension at the rate of eight dollars a month, to commence on the fourteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

A pension of \$8 per month allowed Thomas Badger.

CHAP. XXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of Stephen Champlin.*

Jan. 26, 1849.

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 treasury be authorized and directed to allow and pay to Stephen Champlin, a commander in the navy of the United States, his original rate of pension from the time it was reduced, viz., first of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, till it ceased by law, on the twentieth April, eighteen hundred and forty-four, deducting the amount of pension received by him during that period of time; and that the same be payable out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

Arrearages of pension to be paid S. Champlin.

CHAP. XXX. — *An Act for the Relief of Captain Dan Drake Henrie.*

Jan. 26, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Captain Dan Drake Henrie, the sum of two thousand dollars; and the proper officer shall issue to the said Henrie land warrants for two sections of land, to be located on any land subject to private land, being for his highly gallant and meritorious services in escaping from the Mexicans, at the hazard of his life, for the express purpose of conveying to the American forces, under General Taylor, news of the approach of large bodies of Mexican forces, under the command of General Santa Anna, which information he did so convey.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

Capt. D. D. Henrie to be paid \$2000, and land warrants to issue to him for two sections of land, for meritorious services in war with Mexico.

Jan. 26, 1849.

CHAP. XXXI. — *An Act for the Relief of William Harding.*

§100, the am't of a certain penalty imposed on Wm. Harding, to be refunded

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to William Harding, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred dollars, to refund that portion of a penalty imposed on said Harding which was paid into the treasury.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

Jan. 26, 1849.

CHAP. XXXII. — *An Act granting a Pension to John Morrison.*

A pension of \$20 per annum allowed John Morrison.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, required and directed to place on the pension rolls of the United States John Morrison, of Ohio, county of Cuyahoga; and that there be allowed to him the sum of twenty dollars per annum, to commence on the fourth of March, eighteen hundred and forty-six, and continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

Jan. 26, 1849.

CHAP. XXXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of G. F. de la Roche and William P. S. Sanger.*

The amounts paid by W. P. S. Sanger and Geo. F. de la Roche, for expenses incurred in obedience to a certain order of the Navy Department, to be paid them. 1843, ch. 83.

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 Treasury Department be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to allow to William P. S. Sanger and George F. de la Roche the amounts paid by them for expenses incurred, in obedience to an order from the Navy Department, dated October thirty, eighteen hundred and forty-three, directing them to make the surveys and examinations required by the act of third March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, in reference to the construction of a dry dock at New York; which expenses the Secretary of the Navy expressly stipulated should be paid.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

Jan. 26, 1849.

CHAP. XXXIV. — *An Act for the Relief of Elizabeth Mays.*

A pension of \$114 allowed Elizabeth Mays.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a pension of one hundred and fourteen dollars per annum be allowed and paid, in half yearly payments, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Elizabeth Mays, the mother of Wilson Mays, late a carpenter's mate in the Navy of the United States, for and during the period of her natural life and widowhood, and commencing on and from the third day of September, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

Jan. 26, 1849.

CHAP. XXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of Edward Quinn.*

A pension of \$3 per month al-

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, directed to place the name of Ed-

ward Quinn on the roll of invalid pensioners, and that he be paid, during his natural life, a pension at the rate of three dollars per month, to commence on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

APPROVED, January 26, 1849.

Edward Quinn.

CHAP. XXXVI. — *An Act to authorize the Issuing of a Register or Enrolment to the Ship Annie Tift.*

Feb. 1, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be issued, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, a register or enrolment for the ship Annie Tift, formerly a British vessel, called the Kestrel, but now owned by Asa F. Tift, a citizen of the State of Florida; and which said vessel, having been wrecked on the Florida reef, and condemned and sold, was purchased by him, and which he has caused to be repaired and refitted for sea again: *Provided,* It shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury that the cost of repairing and refitting said ship in the United States after purchase by the present owner, exceeds three fourths of the original cost of building a vessel of the same tonnage in the United States.

A register to be issued to the ship Annie Tift.

Proviso.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

CHAP. XXXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of the forward Officers of the late Exploring Expedition.*

Feb. 1, 1849.

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 Treasury Department be authorized and directed, in the settlements of the accounts of the forward officers of the late Exploring Expedition, under the command of Charles Wilkes, Esquire, to allow them the extra pay of two hundred and fifty dollars per annum, credited to said officers on the pay-rolls rendered on the arrival of said expedition in the United States, agreeably to the direction of said commander.

Extra pay allowed the forward officers of the Exploring Expedition.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed, in the settlement of the accounts of Lieutenant Cadwallader Ringgold, late commanding the United States brig Porpoise, attached to the Exploring Expedition, to allow and credit him in the extra pay for scientific duties, at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, and upon the principle applied to the accounts of Lieutenant W. L. Hudson, then commanding the United States sloop Peacock, attached to said expedition.

Lieut. Cadwallader Ringgold to be allowed extra pay for scientific services.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

CHAP. XXXVIII. — *An Act to provide for the Settlement of the Claim of Henry Washington, late a Deputy Surveyor of the Public Lands in Florida.*

Feb. 1, 1849.

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 Treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to settle and adjust the claims of Henry Washington, late a deputy surveyor of the public lands in Florida, for damages sustained by him on account of the abrogation, by the surveyor-general of the district of Florida, of a contract, made by him on the twenty-

Claims of Henry Washington for damages on account of the abrogation of a contract made with him to be adjusted.

Amount found due to be paid him.

Proviso.

sixth of July, eighteen hundred and forty-five, to make certain surveys of public lands in said district; and such sum or sums of money, if any, as shall be found due to said Washington on account of loss or damage sustained in consequence of the abrogation of said contract, and directly resulting therefrom, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided, however,* That the damages to be allowed on such settlement shall not exceed the nett profits, had the contract been fully executed by the said Washington.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

Feb. 1, 1849.

CHAP. XXXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of Salsy Darby, of Randolph county, and State of Georgia.*

Name of Salsy Darby to be placed on the roll of revolutionary pensioners.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, required to place the name of Salsy Darby, widow of Richard Darby, deceased, upon the roll of revolutionary pensions, and that he pay her the same rate of pension per annum which the said Richard in his lifetime received, commencing upon the fourth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

Feb. 1, 1849.

CHAP. XL. — *An Act for the Relief of Charles Wilson.*

A pension of sixteen dollars per month allowed Charles Wilson.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, directed to place the name of Charles Wilson (late a sergeant of Company D., second regiment of United States artillery) on the roll of invalid pensioners, at the rate of sixteen dollars per month, to commence on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

Feb. 1, 1849.

CHAP. XLI. — *An Act for the Relief of John Percival, Captain in the Navy of the United States.*

Accounting officers to credit John Percival with the amount charged against him for money paid by the purser of the Constitution to Dr. J. C. Reinhardt.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officer of the Navy Department, or the Fourth Auditor of the Treasury Department, enter in the account of Captain John Percival a credit equal to the amount there charged against said Percival, for money paid by the purser of the United States frigate Constitution, on her voyage to the Indian Ocean, and elsewhere, in the years eighteen hundred and forty-four and eighteen hundred and forty-five, to Doctor J. C. Reinhardt, as naturalist; and cancel such account and charge against said John Percival, for all money charged as aforesaid against him, whether paid by the purser, or by himself, or by his order, to said Reinhardt or Chandler, acting as naturalist, chaplain, or passed midshipman.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

Feb. 1, 1849.

CHAP. XLII. — *An Act for the Relief of Creed Taylor.*

Balance of a judgment re-

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the balance of

a judgment recovered against H. S. Edington, Thomas Moore, and Creed Taylor, in the district court for the district of Arkansas, by the United States, for the benefit of the Post-Office Department, be, and the same is hereby, released and discharged; said judgment being for about the sum of nine hundred dollars, damages and costs, of which the said Taylor has paid five hundred and thirty-five dollars and twenty-six cents, said judgment having been recovered against said Taylor as surety for said Edington, late deputy postmaster at Napoleon, in the State of Arkansas.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

covered against Creed Taylor as surety for H. S. Edington released.

CHAP. XLIII. — *An Act to compensate John M. Moore.*

Feb. 1, 1849.

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 Treasury Department be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to account with and allow to John M. Moore, late chief clerk in the General Land Office, for the time he discharged the duties of commissioner of said office, the same compensation as is allowed by law to the commissioner for those duties, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; deducting therefrom the compensation received by said Moore, during said time, as chief clerk.

Accounting officers of the Treasury to allow and pay J. M. Moore for the time he discharged the duties of Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Compensation received by him as chief clerk during said time to be deducted.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

CHAP. XLIV. — *An Act for the Relief of Joseph F. Caldwell.*

Feb. 1, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be hereby directed to pay to Joseph F. Caldwell, out of any money in the treasury derived from the Post-Office Department, and not otherwise appropriated, the sum of eleven hundred and sixty-seven dollars; being the amount due him for carrying the mail of the United States over routes number two thousand and eighty, and one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four, in the State of Virginia, for one year preceding the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, under written contracts with the Postmaster-General.

J. F. Caldwell to be paid out of the funds of the Post-Office Dept. \$1167 for carrying the mail in Virginia, over routes 2080 and 1984.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

CHAP. XLV. — *An Act for the Relief of the Owners of the Spanish Brig Restaurador.*

Feb. 1, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to refund to William Howell and Son, in behalf of the owners of the Spanish brig Restaurador, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the discriminating duty charged by the collector of the port of Baltimore, in January, eighteen hundred and forty, on fifteen hundred barrels of flour shipped to the Havana by that vessel: *Provided,* It shall be proved to his satisfaction that the said flour was actually landed at the port of Montevideo.

Certain discriminating duties exacted from owners of the Restaurador to be refunded.

Proviso.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

Feb. 1, 1849. CHAP. XLVI. — *An Act for the Relief of Thomas Douglas, late United States Attorney for East Florida.*

Accounts of Thomas Douglas to be audited and settled.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury be authorized and required to audit and settle the accounts of Thomas Douglas, late attorney of the United States for East Florida, for his services in defending, by direction of the President of the United States, sundry suits founded upon claims to lands in his district, and to allow him just and reasonable compensation for his said services, according to allowances heretofore made for similar services in similar cases; and that the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to pay said Thomas Douglas any balance due him on such account, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Amount found due to be paid him.

APPROVED, February 1, 1849.

Feb. 2, 1849. CHAP. XLVII. — *An Act for the Relief of Timothy Cavan.*

A pension of eight dollars per month allowed Timothy Cavan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to place the name of Timothy Cavan, of Monroe county, State of Ohio, on the list of invalid pensioners; and that the said Cavan receive a pension at the rate of eight dollars per month, from the twenty-third day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-four, to continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, February 2, 1849.

Feb. 2, 1849. CHAP. XLVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of William Plummer, Executor of Starkey Armistead, deceased.*

All further proceedings on certain judgments against Thomas Turner and others in the District Court of the U.S. for district of N. Carolina to be stayed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no proceedings shall be taken or prosecuted by, or on behalf of, the United States for enforcing a judgment rendered at April term, anno Domini eighteen hundred and thirty, of the District Court of the United States for the district of Albemarle, in the district of North Carolina, in behalf of the United States against Thomas Turner, William A. Turner, and William S. Ellison, for eleven hundred dollars, to be discharged on payment of four hundred and eighty dollars and eighty cents, with interest from November twentieth, eighteen hundred and twenty-nine, and costs, or for enforcing one other judgment rendered in the said court at the same term in behalf of the United States against the said Thomas and William A. Turner for thirteen hundred dollars, to be discharged on payment of six hundred and forty-four dollars and forty cents, with interest from January second, eighteen hundred and thirty, and all costs, or for enforcing two other judgments rendered in the said court at October term, anno Domini eighteen hundred and forty-eight, upon writs of scire facias brought at the instance of the United States upon the first named judgment, the principal, interest, and costs due upon the said first judgment having been paid into the office of the clerk of the said court on the fourteenth November, anno Domini eighteen hundred and thirty-five, by William Plummer, executor of Starkey Armistead; but all further proceedings thereon shall be perpetually stayed, and the district attorney of the United States for the district of North Carolina shall cause satisfaction of the said judgments to be duly entered upon the record.

District attorney to enter up said judgments as satisfied.

APPROVED, February 2, 1849.

CHAP. XLIX. — *An Act for the Relief of William Fuller and Charles Savage.*

Feb. 10, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of twelve hundred and twenty-nine dollars and seventeen cents be appropriated and paid, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in full satisfaction of a contract made by William Fuller with the Post-Office Department, for transporting the mail from Decatur to Rome, in the State of Georgia, terminating the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, the same to be paid as follows: unto Charles Savage, assignee of said Fuller, the sum of five hundred and forty-four dollars and forty-five cents of said sum, and the residue to said Fuller.

\$1229 17 to be paid in full satisfaction of a contract made by Wm. Fuller with the P. O. Department.

Manner in which the above sum shall be paid.

APPROVED, February 10, 1849.

CHAP. L. — *An Act for the Relief of Jeanette C. Huntington, Widow and sole Executrix of William D. Cheever, deceased.*

Feb. 10, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, directed to pay to Jeanette C. Huntington, widow and sole executrix of William D. Cheever, deceased, twenty-one thousand two hundred and thirty-one dollars and eighteen cents, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, being the amount of his loss on treasury notes while engaged in supplying the army of the United States, under a contract with the Secretary of War, during the years eighteen hundred and fourteen and eighteen hundred and fifteen, and reported by the Secretary of the Treasury to be due.

\$21,231 18 to be paid for that amount lost by William B. Cheever, deceased, on treasury notes, &c.

APPROVED, February 10, 1849.

CHAP. LI. — *An Act for the Relief of William Fuller and Orlando Saltmarsh.*

Feb. 10, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Auditor of the Treasury for the Post-Office Department be, and he is hereby, directed to audit and settle the accounts of William Fuller and Orlando Saltmarsh, for services actually rendered by them in carrying the mail on routes number two thousand three hundred and sixty-six, and number two thousand three hundred and eighty, in the State of Georgia, under a contract entered into by the department with James Reeside and George W. Avery for transporting the mail over said routes from first January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, till thirty-first December, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, allowing to said Fuller and Saltmarsh the full contract price for said service for the time they continued to perform it. And the Postmaster-General is hereby directed to cause to be paid to said Fuller and Saltmarsh whatsoever sum shall appear to be justly due to them upon said settlement, deducting all payments which may have been heretofore made; and he is hereby further directed and required to correct the accounts of the late James Reeside at the department, by striking from them all credits which may heretofore have been given him for the services above mentioned.

Accounts of Fuller and Saltmarsh for services in carrying the mail under a contract made by the P. O. Department with Reeside and Avery to be audited and settled.

The amount found justly due them to be paid, deducting payments heretofore made.

Accounts of Reeside to be corrected.

APPROVED, February 10, 1849.

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CHAP. LIV. — *An Act to authorize the Secretary of War to make Reparation for the killing of a Caddo Boy by Volunteer Troops in Texas.*

§500 appropriated to make reparation for the killing of a Caddo boy by certain volunteers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of five hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to enable the Secretary of War to carry out an agreement made and entered into at Torray's Trading House, in the State of Texas, thirteenth September, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, between R. S. Neighbors, United States special Indian agent, and Colonel P. H. Bell, on the one part, and José Maria Tow-i-ash and Had-i-hah, Caddo Indians, on the other part, to make reparation in money for the killing of a Caddo boy by the volunteer troops in Texas, in the summer of eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

APPROVED, February 19, 1849.

Feb. 19, 1849.

CHAP. LV. — *An Act to relinquish the reversionary Interest of the United States in a certain Indian Reservation in the State of Alabama.*

Reversionary interest of the U. S. in a certain tract of land relinquished to Stephen Steele and James Daniel.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the right, title, and interest, which might accrue or revert, or has accrued or reverted to the United States, to a certain reservation confirmed to the heirs of William Jones, deceased, by the certificate from the United States, bearing date the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, being known and described as fractional section sixteen, and the south-east and south-west quarters of section nine, in township six, and range five, under a treaty made and concluded at Fort Jackson, on the ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and lying in the State of Alabama, be, and the same are hereby relinquished and vested in Stephen Steele and James Daniel, respectively, according to the extent of their several interests therein: *Provided, however,* (and this relinquishment is made upon the condition,) that the said Steele and Daniel, or either of them, have fairly, and in good faith, and for a valuable and adequate consideration, purchased of the said heirs, by authentic and valid deeds, their respective rights in and to the said reservations: *And provided, further,* That no sale or conveyance of said reservation, or any part thereof, by the said reservees, or either of them, shall be deemed regular or valid, nor shall this act have effect, until the President of the United States, or some officer to be by him designated, shall have approved such conveyance, and endorsed his approval thereon.

Proviso.

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APPROVED, February 19, 1849.

Feb. 19, 1849.

CHAP. LVI. — *An Act for the Relief of James P. Sexton and Joshua Holden.*

J. P. Sexton and J. Holden allowed to complete their entries to certain tracts of school land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That James P. Sexton is hereby permitted to complete his entry, and purchase a half-quarter section of land, situate in the land district north of Red River in the State of Louisiana, it being the east half of the south-west quarter of section sixteen, township fifteen, range five east; and Joshua Holden is also authorized to enter the west half of the same quarter-section.

Other land to be reserved in lieu thereof.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the register of the land office and receiver of public moneys in the district

aforesaid, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, to select and reserve, for the use of schools in the aforesaid township, other lands of the same extent and quality within the same or the next adjoining township, in lieu of the quarter-section which the said Sexton and the said Holden are hereby permitted to purchase, and which embraces their improvements: *Provided*, That the said Sexton and the said Joshua Holden shall first obtain and file with the register of the district the assent thereto of the commissioners of schools of the parish in which the land lies, and of a majority of the free white male inhabitants of the township, over twenty-one years of age.

APPROVED, February 19, 1849.

Proviso.

CHAP. LVII. — *An Act for the Relief of Levi H. Corson, and for other Purposes.*

Feb. 19, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Levi H. Corson be, and he hereby is, authorized to deposit in the office of the clerk of the northern district of New York, the title of the print of a certain perpetual calendar or almanac, of which he alleges himself to be the original, sole, and only author, inventor, and proprietor, and to pursue the usual legal measures for the purpose of obtaining a copy-right, with like effect, to all intents and purposes, as would have been produced if he had not already, by mistake, proceeded in the southern district of New York, or printed, published, sold, or disposed of the same: *Provided, always*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed to affect in any way whatever the rights of persons, who, by reason of the proceedings heretofore adopted by the said Levi H. Corson, or otherwise, have printed, published, or vended the said work, or have in any manner availed themselves of the said invention, in the absence of a copy-right duly obtained by the authors.

Levi H. Corson authorized to commence anew proceedings for obtaining a copy-right for a perpetual calendar, of which he is the author and inventor, &c.

Proviso.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That before the said Levi H. Corson shall avail himself of the benefits of this act, he shall give public notice of the same, in the manner and at the times when publication is made of the copy of the record of his deposit in the office of the clerk of the proper district according to law.

Public notice to be given by said Corson.

APPROVED, February 19, 1849.

CHAP. LVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of William De Buys, late Postmaster at New Orleans.*

Feb. 19, 1849.

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 Post-Office Department be authorized and directed, in settling the accounts of William De Buys, late postmaster at New Orleans, to allow the said William De Buys such sum, in addition to the regular commissions on postages collected at the post-office in New Orleans, as shall make up to him a compensation, from all sources, at the rate of five thousand dollars per year, from the first of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, to the seventh of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three: *Provided*, That there is a sufficient surplus of the box rents collected at said office, and accounted for by said postmaster, to cover said allowance.

Accounting officers of the Treasury to make Wm. De Buys certain allowances.

Proviso.

APPROVED, February 19, 1849.

Feb. 19, 1849. CHAP. LIX. — *An Act granting a Pension to Bethiah Healy, Widow of George Healy, deceased.*

Name of Bethiah Healy to be placed on the revolutionary pension roll.

1836, ch. 362.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be directed to place the name of Bethiah Healy, of the city of New York, widow of George Healy, on the revolutionary pension roll; to pay her at the rate of six months' service rendered by her late husband in the revolutionary war as a soldier, under the act of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, in addition to the pension which she now receives, commencing on the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-six.

APPROVED, February 19, 1849.

Feb. 19, 1849. CHAP. LX. — *An Act for the Relief of Sarah D. Caldwell, Wife of James H. Brigham.*

Title of Sarah D. Caldwell to two tracts of land confirmed to her.

Proviso.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the title to two parcels of land, — one containing eight hundred and seventy-five arpens, the other one hundred and seventy-one arpens, being part of a tract of land known as the Baron de Bastrop, which is held by Sarah D. Caldwell, by regular chain of title from De Bastrop, — be confirmed to Sarah D. Caldwell, her heirs and assigns: *Provided,* That this act shall not be so construed as in any manner to confirm any part of said De Bastrop grants save the said two tracts, or to affect the rights of third persons in said two tracts hereby confirmed, or to be any thing more than a mere relinquishment of any title which the United States may have in said tracts of land.

APPROVED, February 19, 1849.

Feb. 22, 1849. CHAP. LXIII. — *An Act continuing the Pension granted to Patrick Walker.*

Pension of Patrick Walker to be continued for his life.
1848, ch. 29.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An Act granting a pension to Patrick Walker," approved on the eighth of April, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, be and the same is hereby revived and continued in force during the natural life of the said Patrick Walker; and there shall be allowed and paid to him a pension at the rate of forty dollars per month during his natural life, in conformity to the provisions of the said act, from and after the twenty-seventh day of October, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

Feb. 22, 1849. CHAP. LXIV. — *An Act for the Relief of George Newton.*

\$610 93 to be paid George Newton for certain arrears of pension.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to pay to George Newton, of the town of Johnstown, and State of New York, six hundred and ten dollars and ninety-three cents, for arrears of pension from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and nineteen, to the seventh day of April, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, being at the rate of two dollars and sixty-six cents and two thirds of a cent per month, out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

CHAP. LXV. — *An Act for the Relief of Nancy Tompkins.*

Feb. 22, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a pension of one hundred dollars per annum be allowed and paid, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in half yearly payments, to Nancy Tompkins, the mother of John Place, late a seaman in the navy of the United States, for and during the period of her natural life, commencing from the sixth day of December, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

A pension of \$100 per annum allowed Nancy Tompkins.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

CHAP. LXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of James Glynn and others.*

Feb. 22, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized and required to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Lieutenant James Glynn, of the United States navy, and other officers acting under his command in the surveys and preparing charts of Beaufort and Wilmington, or Cape Fear River, in North Carolina, and also Sapelo harbor and river, and Doboy, in Georgia, and preparing charts of the same, the same allowance which has been paid to other officers while engaged in surveying the coast of the United States.

Lieut. James Glynn to be allowed and paid for making certain surveys, and preparing charts of the same, the same allowance which has been paid to other officers for similar services.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

CHAP. LXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of Thomas T. Gammage.*

Feb. 22, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to Thomas T. Gammage, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of nine hundred and ninety-four dollars, it being in full compensation for articles taken for the subsistence of volunteers in the United States service, under the command of General William Erwin, in the war against the Creek Indians, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six.

\$994 to be paid Thomas T. Gammage for articles taken for subsistence of volunteers in the service of the U. S.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

CHAP. LXVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Jesse Young.*

Feb. 22, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, required to pay to Jesse Young (whose name is now on the roll of invalid pensions) at the rate of sixteen dollars per month, instead of the pension now received by him, to commence on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

Pension of Jesse Young increased to the rate of \$16 per month.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

CHAP. LXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of Nehemiah Brush.*

Feb. 22, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary

A pension of \$8 per month allowed Nehemiah Brush.

of War be, and is hereby directed to place the name of Nehemiah Brush on the roll of invalid pensioners, at the rate of eight dollars per month, during his natural life, and that his pension commence from and after the passage of this act.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

Feb. 26, 1849. CHAP. LXXIII. — *An Act in addition to the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Washington, Alexandria, and Georgetown Steam Packet Company."*

1829, ch. 56.
Charter of said company extended 20 years.

Proviso, as to repeal, &c. thereof.

No suits, &c., to which the corporation is party, to abate, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Washington, Alexandria, and Georgetown Steam Packet Company," approved the third March, eighteen hundred and twenty-nine, be, and the same hereby is, extended and continued in full force and effect for a further period of twenty years, commencing with the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-nine: *Provided, nevertheless,* That Congress may at any time hereafter modify or repeal the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That no suit or action depending in any court whatsoever, in which the said corporation is plaintiff or defendant, shall abate or be discontinued by reason of the expiration of the original charter of the said corporation, but the same shall continue and be prosecuted in all respects as if the said charter had not expired; and the president and directors who were in office at the time it expired, shall continue in office under and by virtue of this act, until others shall be duly chosen in their places.

APPROVED, February 26, 1849.

Feb. 26, 1849. CHAP. LXXIV. — *An Act for the Relief of James Y. Smith.*

\$3,064 to be paid James Y. Smith.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to James Y. Smith the sum of three thousand and sixty-four dollars, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in full of his claim against the United States, for the use of the steamboat Hyperion, and damage done to her in the transportation of the Georgia troops under command of Major Howard in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six, and also for provisions and supplies furnished to said troops.

APPROVED, February 26, 1849.

Feb. 26, 1849. CHAP. LXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of John Hibbert.*

A pension of \$8 per month allowed John Hibbert.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to place the name of John Hibbert, of Wiscasset, in the State of Maine, upon the roll of invalid pensioners, and pay to the said Hibbert the sum of eight dollars per month, from the first day of January, anno Domini eighteen hundred and forty-six, during his natural life.

APPROVED, February 26, 1849.

CHAP. LXXVI. — *An Act amendatory of an Act entitled "An Act amendatory of the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Provident Association of Clerks in the Civil Departments of the Government of the United States, in the District of Columbia,' approved, 3d March, 1825.*

March 2, 1849.

1825, ch. 97.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, the funds of "the Provident Association of Clerks" shall be appropriated and paid to the families of deceased members, at the following rates, to wit: To the families of such member as may die at any time during the first five years of their membership, the amount of the subscription which shall have been paid in by such members respectively, with the addition thereto of fifty per centum of the amount so paid in by them; to the families of members dying at any time during the next five years, an additional sum of seven dollars and a half for every quarter of each of said succeeding years; to the families of members dying at any time during the next succeeding ten years, an additional sum of six dollars and twenty-five cents for every quarter of each of said succeeding years; to the families of members dying at any time during the next succeeding five years, an additional sum of five dollars for every quarter of each of said succeeding years; to the families of members dying at any time during the next succeeding ten years, an additional sum of six dollars and twenty-five cents for every quarter of each of said succeeding years; and to the families of members dying at any time after the thirty-fifth year, an additional sum of twelve dollars and fifty cents for every quarter of each of said succeeding years; so that, at the end of the fifth, tenth, twentieth, twenty-fifth, thirty-fifth, and fortieth years respectively, every member dying at either of those periods shall have provided for his family out of the funds of the association the sums of seventy-five, two hundred and twenty-five, four hundred and seventy-five, five hundred and seventy-five, eight hundred and twenty-five, and one thousand and seventy-five dollars respectively.

How the funds of the Provident Association of clerks shall be appropriated.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That, with the consent of three fourths of all the contributing members, the foregoing rates may, at any time, be increased or diminished, and subsequently altered, as may be deemed warranted or required by the then existing funds of the association: *Provided,* That any and every such act of alteration, duly attested by the presiding and recording officers of the association, and under its seal, shall be filed within ten days after the adoption thereof, in the office of clerk of the Circuit Court of the District of Columbia for the county of Washington, whose duty it is hereby made to receive and record the same in his office.

Foregoing rates may be increased or diminished with the consent of three fourths of the members. Alteration to be recorded.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That any member of the association who has been, or may hereafter be, removed from office, may at any time hereafter, and after such removal, discontinue his quarterly payments to the funds of the association, and instead of thereby forfeiting his previous payments, as provided in the original act of incorporation of said association, by such discontinuance, there shall be paid to the family of such member, at his death, such an amount of the said funds as they would have been entitled to had his death occurred at the time he discontinued his payments.

Members removed from office may discontinue their payments without forfeiture.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be lawful for a member of said association who has a wife and children to designate his widow as entitled to receive the whole benefit of his membership; if no widow, his children, or such of them as he may designate; and if no child or children, then such person or persons as he may designate, (or adopt,) by giving notice in writing to the president and board of officers of the name or names of such person or persons.

Members may designate the person or persons who shall receive the benefits of his membership.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

1819, ch. 23.

1825, ch. 97.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the original act of incorporation, and of the act of the third of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, amendatory thereof, as is inconsistent with the provisions of the act, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

March 2, 1849.

CHAP. LXXXV.—*An Act granting a Half Section of Land for the Use of Schools within fractional Township Nineteen south, of Range Eighteen west, County of Lowndes, State of Mississippi.*

School commissioners within fractional township 19 south, of range 18 west, to select one half section of land.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the school commissioners, or other authority, having official cognizance over school lands within fractional township nineteen south, of range eighteen west, State of Mississippi, be, and they are hereby, authorized to select by legal subdivisions, from any of the public lands within the said State not otherwise appropriated, a quantity of land not exceeding one half section, for the use and support of schools within the said fractional township.

How lands so selected shall be held.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That when the lands hereby authorized to be selected shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, they shall be held by the inhabitants of the township herein designated by the same tenure, and upon the same terms, for the support of schools in the said township, as if they had been selected under the provisions of the general school law of the twentieth of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six: *Provided, nevertheless*, That the said commissioners, or other authority mentioned in the first section of this act, shall not be authorized, by any thing herein contained, to select lands out of the land district in which said fractional township is situated, if there be land within said district applicable to school purposes under the provisions of the act of May twentieth, eighteen hundred and twenty-six.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

Proviso.

1826, ch. 83.

March 2, 1849.

CHAP. XC.—*An Act for the Benefit of Peter M. Grant.*

Peter M. Grant authorized to return to the Commissioner of the General Land Office a land warrant for 160 acres of land, and to receive another warrant in lieu thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office, on Peter M. Grant's returning to that office land warrant No. thirty thousand and ninety-one, for one hundred and sixty acres of land, and furnishing satisfactory evidence that Jacob Phillips left no kin entitled by law to the said land warrant, in consideration of the services of the said Phillips, deceased, shall issue another land warrant to said Peter M. Grant, executor and devisee of said Jacob Phillips, deceased, for one hundred and sixty acres in lieu of said warrant so to be returned, and shall be *cancelled*.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

March 2, 1849.

CHAP. XCI.—*An Act for the Relief of Lizur B. Canfield.*

A pension of \$20 per month allowed Lizur B. Canfield.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Lizur B. Canfield, a captain in the army of the United States during the war with Great Britain, be placed on the roll of invalid pensions, at the rate of twenty dollars a month, commencing the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

CHAP. XCII.—*An Act for the Relief of E. B. Cogswell.*

March 2, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury pay to E. B. Cogswell, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twelve hundred dollars, for services rendered to the Texas Indians, and for coal and iron furnished to the same, as armorer and public blacksmith, from the twentieth May, eighteen hundred and forty-six, to the twentieth May, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

\$1200 to be paid E. B. Cogswell for services, &c., to the Texas Indians.

CHAP. XCIII.—*An Act to provide for the final Settlement of the Accounts of Thomas C. Sheldon, lately Receiver of public Moneys at Kalamazoo, Michigan.*

March 2, 1849.

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 treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to audit and settle the accounts of Thomas C. Sheldon, late receiver of public moneys at Kalamazoo, Michigan, upon principles of equity and justice; and that whatever sum or sums of money, if any, be found due said Sheldon, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

Accounts of Thomas C. Sheldon to be audited and settled upon principles of justice and equity. Amount found due to be paid him.

CHAP. XCIV.—*An Act to provide for the final Settlement of the Accounts of Abraham Edwards, Register of the Land Office at Kalamazoo, Michigan.*

March 2, 1849.

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 treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to audit and settle the accounts of Abraham Edwards, register of the land office at Kalamazoo, Michigan, upon principles of equity and justice; and that whatever sum or sums of money, if any, be found due said Edwards, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

Accounts of Abraham Edwards to be audited and settled upon principles of justice and equity. Amount found due to be paid him.

CHAP. XCV.—*An Act for the Relief of Joshua Barney, United States Agent.*

March 2, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay Joshua Barney, United States agent for the construction and improvement of roads and harbors in the Territory of Iowa, under the direction of the Topographical Bureau, the sum of one hundred and four dollars and fifty cents, with six per centum interest from the first of January, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, it being an over-payment beyond the appropriation made by Congress for constructing a military road from Dubuque to Keosauqua, on the Des Moines, Iowa Territory.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

\$104 50, with interest, to be paid Joshua Barney.

CHAP. XCVI.—*An Act for the Relief of Solomon Davis.*

March 2, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Solomon Davis, of Oregon county, in the State of Missouri, be, and he is hereby, au-

Solomon Davis allowed to enter another lot of

land in lieu of the one heretofore entered and paid for by him.

Proviso.

thorized to enter, in place of the north-west quarter of lot number two, in the south-west quarter of section number six, in township number twenty-four north, range five west, any other lot of land subject to private entry, and that his payment, heretofore made for said north-west quarter of lot number two, shall be taken in part payment for said new entry: *Provided*, That the said Solomon Davis shall first release to the United States all his right, title, interest, and claim to said north-west quarter of lot number two, containing thirty-five acres and thirty-six hundredths, more or less, and shall further show, before said release, that the title to said lot number two is still in him, the said Davis, and that the said lot has not been in any way encumbered by mortgage, judgment, taxes, or in any other manner, and that the title thereto is in every respect as good as when the same was entered by the said Davis.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

March 2, 1849.

CHAP. XCVII. — *An Act for the Relief of the Citizens of Cedar Bluff, in the State of Alabama, and for other Purposes.*

Commissioners of Cherokee Co., Ala., authorized to enter 150 acres of land on which the town of Cedar Bluff is situated.

Proviso: how said land shall be sold and proceeds applied.

Such entry not to interfere with or disturb the titles of certain purchasers to lots heretofore sold in said town.

Said commissioners to make titles to said lots to the owners.

Patent to issue.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commissioner of the county of Cherokee, in the State of Alabama, be, and they are hereby, authorized to enter the tract of land lying on the Coosa River, whereon the town of Cedar Bluff (formerly called Jefferson) is situated, in said county, containing one hundred and fifty acres, according to the survey of S. R. Russell, on the payment by the commissioners of said county of the minimum price, as in other cases: *Provided*, That said commissioners shall sell in lots, on reasonable notice, (not less than sixty days,) to the highest bidder, all that portion of said tract of land not hereinafter referred to and embraced, make titles to the purchasers, and apply the proceeds of said sale for the common benefit of said county of Cherokee.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That neither the entry nor the right of entry of said tract of land, by said commissioners, shall interfere with or disturb the titles of purchasers to the lots heretofore sold in said town by the county commissioners of said county of Cherokee, who have paid, or may, within twelve months, complete payment of, according to the terms of sale, the sum of the first instalment on the amount for which said lots were purchased; but in all such cases, without further action of any kind, the right and title of the purchasers to the lots thus purchased and paid for, together with all the improvements thereon, are hereby fully confirmed to and vested in said purchasers, their heirs at law, and *bona fide* vendees and assignees. And the said commissioners are hereby authorized and required (should they enter said tract of land on the terms above named) to make titles to said lots to the owners thereof, according to the description by which the same were known and distinguished in the plan of said town of Cedar Bluff.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That (should said commissioners enter said tract of land on the terms above named) the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to issue, to said commissioners of said county of Cherokee, a patent for said tract of land, for the uses and purposes herein before mentioned.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

March 2, 1849.

CHAP. XCVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of A. C. Bryan and others*

Payments to be made for horses

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay, out of any

moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in full payment for horses captured in Mexico, to A. C. Bryan, the sum of sixty dollars; to Alfred Argabright, the sum of sixty dollars; to B. A. Chapman, the sum of fifty-five dollars; to Charles E. Mooney, the sum of fifty dollars; to David C. Jones, the sum of sixty dollars; to William D. Radcliffe, the sum of seventy dollars; to John J. Finch, the sum of sixty-five dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay the value of any horses and equipments that may have been lost in consequence of their having fallen into the possession of the Mexicans at the surrender of the commands of Major John P. Gaines, Major Solon Borland, and Captain William J. Heady; the owners satisfactorily proving their loss on that occasion, and also the value of the horses and accoutrements thus captured and lost.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

captured in Mexico, to A. C. Bryan, Alfred Argabright, B. A. Chapman, Chas. E. Mooney, David C. Jones, William D. Radcliffe, and John J. Finch.

Secretary of the Treasury to pay the value of any horses captured in Mexico at the surrender of the commands of Majors Gaines and Borland and Captain Heady.

CHAP. XCIX. — *An Act for the Relief of B. O. Payne, of Albany, New York.*

March 2, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of B. O. Payne, of Albany, in the State of New York, be placed on the roll of invalid pensions, and that the Secretary of War be directed to pay to him a pension, at the rate of twenty dollars per month, from the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and to continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

A pension of \$20 per month allowed B. O. Payne.

CHAP. CXVI. — *An Act to grant to the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company the Right of Way through the Public Lands of the United States.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the right of way shall be, and is hereby, granted to the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, over and through any of the public lands of the United States, in the State of Florida, over which the road authorized by said State may pass; and the said company is hereby authorized to survey and mark through the said public lands to be held by them for the track of said road one hundred feet in width; and, furthermore, an additional quantity of twenty-five feet in width on each side of said road along the same.

Right of way through the lands of the U. S. granted to the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said company shall have the right to take from the public lands in the vicinity of said road all such materials of earth, stone, or wood, as may be necessary or convenient from time to time for the actual construction and repair of said road or any part thereof.

Said company may take from the public lands such materials as may be necessary.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be, and is hereby, granted to said company all necessary sites for watering-places, depots, and workshops, along the line of said road, so far as the places convenient for the same may fall upon the public lands: *Provided*, That no one depot or watering-place shall contain over five square acres, and that said sites shall not be nearer to each other than ten miles along the line of said road: *Provided*, That the grants herein contained, as well of the use of the public lands as of the materials for the construction of said road, shall cease and determine, unless the

All necessary sites for watering places, depots, &c., granted to said company. *Proviso.*

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road be begun within two years and completed within six years thereafter: *And provided, moreover,* That if the said road shall at [any] time after its completion be discontinued or abandoned by the said company, the grants hereby made shall cease and determine.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849. CHAP. CXVII. — *An Act to grant the Right of Way to the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company.*

Right of way through the lands of the U. S. granted to the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the right of way is hereby granted to the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company for the railroad contemplated by said company to be constructed from Mobile to its northern terminus on the Ohio or Mississippi Rivers, at or near the mouth of of the Ohio, and the said company is hereby authorized to locate said road through any of the public lands of the United States which may lie on the route which may be selected for the location of said road; and the said company is hereby authorized to survey and mark through the said public lands the track of said road one hundred feet in width, and, furthermore, an additional quantity of twenty-five feet in width on each side of said road along the same, which land shall be reserved from sale, and the title whereof shall be vested in the State wherein such land shall lie, for the use of said railroad company forever, and for no other use whatever.

Said company may take from the public lands such materials as are necessary.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company shall have the privilege, and the same is hereby granted to them, to cut and use all such timber, and to use all earth, stone, sand, gravel, mineral, and other materials on the public lands of the United States, which may be necessary for the construction or repair of said road, and to build bridges, or construct buildings, truss work, or other erections, such as the same may require, and use such water as may be wanted, and cross such streams as shall be necessary for the completion and use of said road: *Provided,* That the said railroad company, when the said railroad shall be completed, shall carry the mails of the United States on such terms as the Postmaster-General shall be able to contract, for similar services, with other railroad companies.

Proviso, as to transportation of mails of the U. S.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849. CHAP. CXIX. — *An Act to authorize the Citizens of Ozark County, Missouri, to enter less than a Quarter Section of Land for the Seat of Justice in said County.*

Citizens of Ozark county authorized to enter a lot of land for seat of justice for said county.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the county of Ozark, in the State of Missouri, may enter by preëmption less than a quarter section of land, to be taken by legal subdivision. Said entry, except as to quantity, shall be made according to the provisions of the act of Congress, approved May twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and twenty-four, entitled "An Act granting to the counties or parishes of each State and Territory of the United States in which the public lands are situated, the right of preëmption to quarter sections of land for seats of justice within the same."

1824, ch. 169.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXXVIII. — *An Act to incorporate the Oak Hill Cemetery, in the District of Columbia.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Lorenzo Thomas, John Marbury, Senior, Edward M. Linthicum, and George Poe, Jr., together with such other persons as may become proprietors of lots in the hereinafter mentioned cemetery, of a size not less each than three hundred square feet, and their successors and assigns, be, and they are made hereby, a body politic and corporate in law, under the name, style, and title of "The Oak Hill Cemetery Company," and by that name shall be able, and capable in law, to have and use a common seal, to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, and to do all such other things as are incident to a corporation.

Oak Hill Cemetery Company, D. C., incorporated.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said Lorenzo Thomas, John Marbury, Senior, Edward M. Linthicum, and George Poe, Jr., shall be managers of the said corporation, and shall continue so to be until the first Monday in June, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-two, on which day, and on the same day in every succeeding year thereafter, there shall be a general meeting of the proprietors of lots in the said cemetery, who are members of the said corporation, of whom twenty, appearing in person or by proxy, shall form a quorum to transact all business; and at such meeting on that day, in each and every year, the said proprietors of lots, each being entitled to one vote, and no more, shall elect four persons from among their own number to be managers of the said corporation for one year from the day of their election, and until other managers shall be duly elected in their place; and if there shall, from any cause whatsoever, be a failure on the part of the proprietors of lots to make such election on any of the days aforesaid, the managers holding over shall appoint some other time for proprietors of lots to meet and make such election, and shall give at least six days' previous notice of the time and place so appointed, by an advertisement in some convenient newspaper, and the managers then elected shall serve until the recurrence of the regular election, and until others have been elected in their place; and in the event of any vacancy in the board of managers by death, resignation, removal from the county, or otherwise, the continuing members of the said board shall have power to choose from among the proprietors of lots in the said cemetery a manager to fill such vacancy, and the person so chosen shall have power to act in the premises, in connection with the continuing managers, in every respect as if he had been originally appointed to said office by this act, or elected to the same by the proprietors of lots at a general meeting; and a majority of the said board of managers shall form a quorum to do all business.

Managers: when and how to be chosen.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the said corporation may acquire, take, and hold, in fee simple, by gift or grant, all that portion of a lot of ground in Washington county, in the District of Columbia, commonly called the Rock of Dunbarton, which is bounded on the south by the northern boundary line of Georgetown, on the west by lands of Captain William M. Boyce, on the north by Rock Creek, and on the east by land of the heirs of Lewis Grant Davidson, deceased, containing about fifteen acres, and any other lands adjacent thereto, not exceeding in the whole fifty acres; and may take and hold any personal estate, not exceeding ten thousand dollars in value, which said land and personal estate shall be devoted and applied to purposes connected with, and appropriate to, the objects of a cemetery or burial-place, the establishing, maintaining, and improving of which is hereby declared to be the only object for which said corporation is created.

Said corporation may acquire and hold in fee simple certain lands.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the said board of man-

President and other officers: how to be chosen. Powers and duties of board of managers.

agers shall choose one of their own body to be president thereof, who shall be also president of the said corporation. They shall have power to appoint all officers and agents necessary for the due and regular transaction of the business of said institution, to assign to them, severally, their duties, to fix their compensation, and to require, if deemed expedient, of any of their said officers, a bond with approved security for the faithful performance of their duties. They shall have power to lay out and ornament the cemetery grounds; to erect all necessary enclosures and buildings; to lay out, sell, and dispose of burial lots; to make such by-laws, rules, and regulations as they may deem proper for conducting the affairs of said company, for the government of lot-holders and visitors to the cemetery; and for the sale and conveyance of lots in the said cemetery by individual proprietors; and in general they shall have the management, superintendence, and care of the property, expenditures, business, and prudential concerns of the said corporation, and they shall make a report of their doings to the said corporation at each annual meeting of the said proprietors of lots.

Special meetings of said corporation provided for.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That special meetings of the members of the said corporation for the transaction of business may be called by the board of managers, or by any five of such members, by advertisement to be inserted in some convenient newspaper, two weeks before the day appointed for such meeting, in which shall be set forth the time, and place, and object of such meeting.

How lots in said cemetery shall be held.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That every lot conveyed in said cemetery shall be held by the proprietor thereof, for the purpose of sepulture only, and for no other purpose, and shall be deemed real estate, and shall not be subject to the payment of any assessment or tax whatsoever, nor subject to execution or attachment for any debt; and the proceeds of the sale of burial lots in the said cemetery shall, after deducting the annual expenses of cemetery establishment, be applied solely to the improvement, extension, ornament, and preservation of the said cemetery, and shall not be made a source of profit to the proprietors of lots, or members of said corporation.

Penalties for injuries or trespasses committed against said cemetery and its appurtenances.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That any person who shall unlawfully destroy, mutilate, deface, injure, or remove any tomb, monument, grave-stone, or other structure, placed in the said cemetery, or any fence, railing, or other work, for the protection or ornament of any tomb, monument, grave-stone, or other structure aforesaid, or of any cemetery lot within the limits of the ground belonging to the said corporation, or of the ground set apart for the cemetery; or shall unlawfully destroy, break, or remove, cut, or injure, any tree, shrub, or plant, within the limits of said cemetery; or shall shoot or discharge any gun, or other firearm, within the said limits, or at any object within the same, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof before any justice of the peace, or other court of competent jurisdiction within Washington county aforesaid, be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars, or more than fifty, according to the nature and aggravation of the offence; and such offender shall also be liable, in an action of trespass, to be brought against him in any court of competent jurisdiction in the name of the said corporation, to pay all such damages as shall have been occasioned by his unlawful act or acts; which money, when recovered, shall be applied by the said corporation, under the direction of the board of managers, to the reparation and restoration of the property destroyed or injured as above, and members of the said corporation shall be witnesses in such suit; and if any person shall unlawfully open any tomb or grave in the lands of the said Oak Hill Cemetery Company, or shall clandestinely remove, or attempt to remove, any body or remains therefrom, such person, on conviction thereof in any court of competent

jurisdiction within the county where the said cemetery is situated, shall be sentenced to undergo imprisonment in the penitentiary of the District of Columbia, at hard labor, for a term not less than one year, or more than five, and pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars, at the discretion of the said court.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That lots in the said cemetery shall be indivisible, and upon the death of any proprietor of any lot in the said cemetery, he or she being a member of said corporation, the devisee of such lot, or the heir at law, as the case may be, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership as aforesaid; and if there be more than one devisee, or heir at law, of each lot, the board of managers for the time being shall designate which of the said devisees or heirs at law shall represent the said lot, and vote in the meetings of the corporation; which designation shall continue in force until by death, removal, or other sufficient cause, another designation shall become necessary; and in making such designation the managers shall, as far as they conveniently may, give the preference to males over females, and to proximity of blood, and priority of age, having due regard, however, to proximity of residence.

How lots in said cemetery shall descend on the death of proprietors thereof.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the said corporation to take and hold any grant, donation, or bequest, upon trust, to apply the income thereof, under the direction of the board of managers, for the embellishment, preservation, renewal, or repair of any tomb, monument, grave-stone, or other structure, fence, railing, or other enclosure, in or around any cemetery lot, or for the planting and cultivation of any trees, shrubs, flowers, or plants, in or around any cemetery lot, according to the terms of such grant, donation, or bequest; and any court having equity jurisdiction within the county in which said cemetery is situated shall have full power and jurisdiction to compel the due performance of such trust, or any of them, upon a bill filed by the proprietor of any lot in said cemetery for that purpose.

Grants, donations, bequests, &c., how to be held and applied.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the said cemetery property shall be, and the same is hereby, declared to be forever inalienable by the said corporation, and to be exempted from all public assessments and taxes, so long as the same shall remain dedicated to the purposes of a cemetery.

Said cemetery property to be inalienable, and to be exempt from taxes, &c.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXXX. — *An Act for the Relief of James Hotchkiss.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That James Hotchkiss be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter at the Chicago Land Office, in the State of Illinois, at the minimum price, the north-east quarter of section thirty-one, in township thirty-nine north, and range eight east, of the third principal meridian: *Provided*, That said Hotchkiss, at the time of said entry and purchase, shall satisfy the register and receiver of said land district that there are no adverse or other claimants to said tract of land, or to any part thereof.

James Hotchkiss authorized to enter a quarter section of land.

Proviso.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXXXI. — *An Act for the Relief of Mary Mac Rea, Widow of Lieutenant Colonel William Mac Rea, late of the United States Army, deceased.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in considera-

Pension to Mary Mac Rea for

services of her
husband Lt. Col.
Wm. Mac Rea.

tion of the long, arduous, and faithful services of William Mac Rea, late of the United States army, deceased, commencing in seventeen hundred and ninety-one, and continuing through the Indian wars on the north-western frontier of the United States, in which he was distinguished for gallantry and good conduct, and was severely wounded in battle, and also through the late war with Great Britain, in which he rendered valuable and efficient service, as well in battle as in preparation of the means of defence, to the period of his death, while in service, in eighteen hundred and thirty-two, comprising a period of more than forty years' continuous service, embracing two wars, and of the destitute condition of his widow, there be granted and paid to Mary Mac Rea, widow of the said Lieutenant-Colonel William Mac Rea, annually, for five years, in semiannual payments, a sum equal to one half the pay to which the said William Mac Rea was entitled at the time of his decease, commencing on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-six, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided*, She should live so long.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXXXII. — *An Act for the Relief of James G. Carson.*

James G. Carson authorized to make and complete his purchase of a certain lot of land in the district of Ouachita, Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That James G. Carson be, and he is hereby, authorized and permitted to make and complete his purchase of lot numbered sixteen, of township numbered nineteen, of range thirteen east, in the district of lands north of Red River, subject to entry and sale at Ouachita, in the State of Louisiana, by paying at the said land office the sum of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre for the same; and it is hereby made the duty of the United States officer at the said office to receive from him the said price, and issue to him a certificate therefor, upon which he shall be entitled to a patent, as in other cases of purchases of land from the government.

Selections heretofore made in said district for use of schools, in lieu of lot 16, confirmed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the selection heretofore made, under the directions and approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, of lots numbered twenty-five, twenty-six, and twenty-seven, in said township nineteen, for the use of schools, in lieu of lot sixteen, be, and the same is hereby, confirmed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXXXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of William L. Wigent.*

William L. Wigent authorized to enter and purchase a certain tract of land in Illinois.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That William L. Wigent be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter and purchase, at the minimum price of the public lands, the south-east quarter of section numbered twelve, in township numbered thirty-five north, range numbered eleven east, of the third principal meridian, in the north-eastern land district of Illinois; it being the same tract of land on which the said Wigent resides, and has improved and cultivated: *Provided*, The said Wigent, at the time of said entry and purchase, shall satisfy the register and receiver of said land district that there are no adverse or other claimants to said tract of land, or to any part of the same.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXXXIV. — *An Act for the Relief of Henry D. Garrison.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of eight hundred dollars be paid to Henry D. Garrison, under the direction of the Secretary of War, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, on due and satisfactory proof being furnished that the claim of Wah-in-gun for said sum in schedule B, annexed to the treaty with the Saginaw band of Chippewa Indians, on the fourteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, has been regularly and legally transferred to him.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

H. D. Garrison to be paid \$800 on account of the claim of Wah-in-gun, under the treaty with the Saginaw band of Chippewas.

CHAP. CXXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of the Owners of the Schooner Ticonic.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to pay to Henry Williams, Benjamin A. G. Fuller, and George Williams, owners of the schooner Ticonic, or their legal representatives, the sum of thirty-eight hundred dollars, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, as compensation for the loss of said schooner, while employed in the service of the United States, during the attack on Vera Cruz, in March, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

\$3800 to be paid owners of the Ticonic for the loss of their schooner while in service of the U. S.

CHAP. CXXXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of P. Chouteau, Junior, and Company.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be authorized to pay P. Chouteau, Junior, and Company, the sum of nine thousand six hundred dollars, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; and that the amount, when paid, be charged to the fund, under the control of government, created for the benefit of the Shawnee Indians, by the seventh article of the treaty of the eighth of August, eighteen hundred and thirty-one.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

P. Chouteau, Jr. & Co., to be paid \$9600 out of the fund created for the benefit of the Shawnee Indians.

CHAP. CXXXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of George Center.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to ascertain, by the best evidence which the nature of the case will admit of, the value of the houses and other property of George Center, destroyed at Micanopy, Florida, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six, by order of Lieutenant-Colonel B. K. Peirce, the commanding officer at that post, to prevent them from falling into the hands of the enemy; and that the amount so ascertained be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That the sum so to be paid shall not exceed five thousand five hundred and sixty-nine dollars and eighty cents.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

The Secretary of War to ascertain the value of the buildings of George Center at Micanopy, Fla., destroyed by order of Lieut. Col. Peirce, &c.

Amount so ascertained to be paid him.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXXXVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Mary G. Leverett.*

A pension of \$80 per annum allowed Mary G. Leverett.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place upon the list of revolutionary pensioners the name of Mary G. Leverett, widow of Thomas Leverett, and that she be paid a pension at the rate of eighty dollars per annum, during her natural life, commencing on the fourth day of September, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXXXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of John P. Skinner and the legal Representatives of Isaac Green.*

John P. Skinner, &c., to be paid \$8313 34, the amount of a judgment recovered against them as sureties of Thos. Emerson.

Provido.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to pay, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to John P. Skinner and the legal representatives of Isaac Green the sum of eight thousand three hundred and thirteen dollars and thirty-four cents, being the amount received by the United States on a judgment recovered by them against the said John P. Skinner and Isaac Green, in his lifetime, as sureties of Thomas Emmerson: *Provided,* That nothing in this act shall be construed to discharge the said Emmerson from liability under said judgment.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXL. — *An Act for the Relief of John F. Ohl.*

The Secretary of the Treasury directed to cancel two duty bonds given by John F. Ohl, amounting to \$2148 79.

Also to repay to him a sum not exceeding \$420 for duties paid by him on goods which were destroyed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to direct the cancellation of two separate bonds given for the payment of duties at the port of Philadelphia, by John F. Ohl as principal, and Lewis Mayer as surety, dated respectively the eighth day of November, eighteen hundred and twenty-six, to wit: one numbered seven thousand one hundred and five, for the sum of one thousand and seventy-four dollars and seventy-nine cents, and the other numbered seven thousand one hundred and six, for the sum of one thousand and seventy-four dollars, making in the aggregate two thousand one hundred and forty-eight dollars and seventy-nine cents; and also to repay to the said John F. Ohl, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum of money not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, on the production of satisfactory proof to the Secretary of the Treasury going to show that said sum, or any portion thereof, has heretofore been paid to the United States, for or on account of duties, on any of the articles of merchandise destroyed in the manner set forth in the papers attached to House report No. seven hundred and twenty-five, first session, thirtieth Congress.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXLl. — *An Act for the Relief of the President and Directors of the Union Bank of Florida.*

Secretary of Treasury to pay

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary

of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the President and Directors of the Union Bank of Florida, the sum of two thousand four hundred and seventy-four dollars and two cents, and interest thereon from the first of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, in full payment for money advanced by them to the governor of Florida, to provide for the defence of the people of said territory against the attacks of the hostile Indians.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

the President and Directors of the Union Bank of Florida, \$2474.02, with interest, for advances made by them to the governor of Florida, to provide against attacks of hostile Indians.

CHAP. CXLII. — *An Act for the Relief of Sidney Flower, of Louisiana, and for other Purposes.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Sidney Flower be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter, at the minimum price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, lot number three in township one (north) of range eight east, containing one hundred and fifty-nine and sixty-eight one hundred acres, in the district north of Red River, Louisiana: *Provided,* As said lot has been selected for schools, that a majority of the male inhabitants of the township shall assent to the purchase, by filing an instrument to that effect in the local land office.

Sidney Flower authorized to enter 159 68-100 acres of land in Louisiana.

Proviso.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That upon such an instrument being filed in the aforesaid office, the proper authorities shall have the right to select an equal area for schools on other public lands, in the same land district.

Other school lands to be selected in lieu thereof.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXLIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Joel Thacker.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Joel Thacker, a private in the Virginia militia in the service of the United States during the war with Great Britain, be placed upon the roll of invalid pensions at the rate of four dollars a month, commencing on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-six, to continue during life.

A pension of \$4 per month allowed Joel Thacker.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXLIV. — *An Act for the Relief of James Moorehead.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed and required to pay to James Moorehead, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, such amount as shall fully compensate and remunerate said Moorehead for all damages and losses sustained by reason of the suspension by the government of the erection of a dam in the Ohio, from a point on Wells Island to a point on the Virginia shore. But before any payment is made to said Moorehead, the said Secretary shall cause the witnesses, on the part of the said Moorehead, to be cross-examined, and take testimony on behalf of the government, should he deem it proper to do so.

Secretary of the Treasury to ascertain and pay the amount of damages incurred and losses sustained by James Moorehead on account of the suspension of the erection of a dam in the Ohio River. Secretary of the Treasury to examine testimony in the case.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXLV. — *An Act for the Relief of William Gott.*

A pension of four dollars per month allowed Wm. Gott.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, required to place the name of William Gott, of Leeds, in the county of Kennebec and State of Maine, on the roll of invalid pensions, and pay to him the sum of four dollars per month, during his natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXLVI. — *An Act for the Relief of Doctor Adolphus Wislizenus.*

Secretary of the Treasury to ascertain and pay Dr. Adolphus Wislizenus the value of certain medicines furnished by him to the army of the U. S. in Mexico.

Also to pay him at the rate of \$90 per month for the time he acted as assistant surgeon.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to ascertain what was the value at Chihuahua, in Mexico, on the third day of April, anno Domini eighteen hundred and forty-seven, of the medicines furnished to the army of the United States by Doctor Adolphus Wislizenus, as certified by Lieutenant Kribben, by the direction of his superior officer, approved by Colonel A. W. Doniphan, and specified in a schedule annexed to House report number four hundred and four, first session, thirtieth Congress, and marked "B—1," and to pay to Doctor Wislizenus the amount so ascertained, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; also, out of the same funds, to pay the aforesaid Doctor Adolphus Wislizenus, at the rate of ninety dollars per month, the amount due to him for the time during which he acted as assistant surgeon, under a contract with Colonel D. D. Mitchell, of the United States army.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXLVII. — *An Act for the Relief of Samuel A. Grier.*

Samuel A. Grier to be paid \$462 10, the amount collected from him under execution, on a judgment against him as surety for a postmaster.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to Samuel A. Grier, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of four hundred and sixty-two dollars and ten cents; it being the sum by him paid to a district marshal of the United States upon an execution issued in favor of said States, less sixty dollars and eighty-one cents, which was the amount owed by the postmaster for which he was security, and less fifty-two dollars and two cents, cost of suit.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXLVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of David Thomas, of Philadelphia.*

David Thomas to be paid \$141 54, the amount of duties illegally exacted from him.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to David Thomas, of the city of Philadelphia, in Pennsylvania, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred and forty-one dollars and fifty-four cents, it being in repayment of duties erroneously demanded and obtained of him on listings imported by said Thomas from foreign countries.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CXLIX. — *An Act for the Relief of Polly Dameron, Widow of Charles Dameron, deceased.* March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, required to place the name of Polly Dameron, widow of Charles Dameron, deceased, upon the revolutionary pension roll, under the act of seventh July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and that he pay her at the rate of eighty dollars per annum for and during her natural life; said pension to commence on the fourth of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven.

A pension of \$80 per annum to be paid to Polly Dameron.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CL. — *An Act for the Relief of Catharine Clark.* March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Catharine Clark (widow of Joseph Clark, a seaman in the navy of the United States, and wounded in the service of the same during the war with Tripoli) be placed on the roll of invalid pensions, at the rate of eight dollars per month, commencing on the first of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, to continue during her natural life.

A pension of \$8 a month allowed Catharine Clark.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLI. — *An Act for the Relief of Captain Alexander McEwen.* March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, required to place the name of Alexander McEwen on the roll of invalid pensions, and that he pay him, semi-annually, at the rate of ten dollars per month, for and during his natural life, commencing on the fifteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven.

A pension of \$10 per month allowed Captain Alexr. McEwen.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLII. — *An Act for the Relief of Maurice R. Simonds.* March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Maurice R. Simonds, lately serving under General Taylor in Mexico, be placed on the roll of invalid pensions, at the rate of eight dollars a month, commencing the first day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, to continue during his natural life.

A pension of \$8 a month allowed Maurice R. Simonds.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Major Charles Larrabee.* March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War cause to be paid to Major Charles Larrabee a pension at the rate of forty dollars per month, in lieu of the pension now allowed him, to commence on the fourth day of September, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and continue during his natural life.

Major C. Larrabee to be paid a pension of \$40 per month in lieu of the pension now allowed him.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849. CHAP. CLIV. — *An Act for the Relief of Alexander Montgomery, Captain and Assistant Quartermaster of the Army.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of six thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any unexpended money in the treasury of the United States, to indemnify Alexander Montgomery, captain and assistant quartermaster, for losses actually sustained as a disbursing officer of the United States in the war with Mexico.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849. CHAP. CLV. — *An Act for the Relief of Jesse Washington Jackson.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Jesse Washington Jackson, a soldier in the army of the United States during the war with Great Britain, be placed upon the roll of invalid pensions, at the rate of eight dollars a month, commencing the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849. CHAP. CLVI. — *An Act for the Relief of Elizabeth S. Cobbs.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Elizabeth S. Cobbs, widow of the late Waddy V. Cobbs, then a major in the army of the United States, be placed on the roll of invalid pensions, at the rate of twenty-five dollars a month, commencing the first of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, to continue during her natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849. CHAP. CLVII. — *An Act for the Relief of the legal Representatives of Captain George R. Shoemaker, deceased.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, instructed to ascertain what amount of money is due Captain George R. Shoemaker, under contract, for his services, and to pay such amount so due to the legal representatives of the said Shoemaker, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849. CHAP. CLVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Robert Ramsay.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, required to pay to Robert Ramsay, whose name is now on the roll of navy pensioners, the sum of eight dollars per month, from the first day of January, anno Domini eighteen hundred and forty-eight, instead of the sum which the said Ramsay has heretofore received, and that the same be continued during his natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLIX. — *An Act for the Relief of Daniel Robinson.*

March 3, 1849.

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 treasury be, and they are hereby, instructed to ascertain the amount of damages sustained by Daniel Robinson, of Gloucester, Massachusetts, in consequence of a violation, on the part of the United States, of a contract made between the United States and the said Daniel Robinson, and to pay to him, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the said amount of damages by him sustained.

Accounting officers to ascertain and pay the amount of damages sustained by Daniel Robinson in consequence of the violation of a contract, by the U. S., made with him.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLX. — *An Act for the Relief of Noah A. Phelps.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Noah A. Phelps, of Connecticut, the sum of four hundred and sixteen dollars and thirteen cents, it being the sum awarded to him by the District Court of the United States for the district of Connecticut, on the fourth Tuesday of May, eighteen hundred and forty-six.

Noah A. Phelps to be paid \$416 13, it being the sum awarded him by the District Court of the U. S. for district of Connecticut.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXI. — *An Act for the Relief of H. Carrington, Executor of Paulina Le Grand, deceased.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to pay to H. Carrington, executor of the last will of Paulina Le Grand, deceased, the half yearly pension of three hundred dollars, which was due and owing to the said Paulina, in September, anno Domini eighteen hundred and forty-four; and which pension was duly demanded by the said Paulina in her lifetime, but not paid, because the necessary appropriation had not been made.

The Secretary of War to pay H. Carrington the half yearly pension due to Paulina Le Grand, deceased.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXII. — *An Act for the Relief of Hervey Jones.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of Hervey Jones, a private in the militia of New York during the last war, be placed upon the list of invalid pensioners, at the rate of eight dollars per month, commencing the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and to continue during his natural life.

A pension of \$8 per month allowed Hervey Jones.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Eve Boggs.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be authorized and directed to place the name of Eve Boggs, of the county of Davidson, and State of North Carolina, widow of John

A pension of \$80 per annum allowed Eve Boggs.

Boggs, on the revolutionary pension roll, and that she be paid at the rate of eighty dollars per annum, during her life, to commence on the fourth day of September, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXIV. — *An Act for the Relief of Satterlee Clark.*

§15,632 61 to be paid Satterlee Clark.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is, authorized to pay to Satterlee Clark, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of fifteen thousand six hundred and thirty-two dollars and sixty-one cents.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXV. — *An Act for the Relief of John Campbell.*

John Campbell to be paid \$238 for arrears of pension.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be paid to John Campbell, of Penobscot county, Maine, the sum of two hundred and eighty-eight dollars, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, it being for arrears of pension from January, eighteen hundred and forty, to January, eighteen hundred and forty-six.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of William P. Yonge.*

§214 96 to be paid William P. Yonge.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, 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 William P. Yonge, the sum of two hundred and fourteen dollars and ninety-six cents.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of John W. Hockett.*

§303 52 to be paid John W. Hockett, in full for work done upon the national road under contract with the U. S.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to John W. Hockett, of Illinois, late a contractor upon the Cumberland road in the said State, the sum of three hundred and three dollars and fifty-two cents, being the amount in full due and unpaid to him for work done upon the national road, in pursuance with and according to contract with the United States.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Mary Buck.*

A pension of §10 per month allowed Mary Buck.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place the name of Mary Buck, of Bucksport, in the State of Maine, upon the revolutionary pension roll, and pay her, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of ten dollars per month, commencing

on the fourth day of September, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty-seven, and to continue during her natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of Lowry Williams.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury pay to Lowry Williams, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, nineteen hundred and sixty dollars and fifty cents, being the amount of a certificate, number four thousand and sixty-eight, for that amount still due and unpaid to the said Williams, under the Cherokee treaty of eighteen hundred and thirty-five.

Lowry Williams to be paid \$1960 50, the amount of a certificate still due and unpaid under the Cherokee treaty of 1835.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXX. — *An Act for the Relief of John Savage.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of John Savage, a soldier in the army during the war with Great Britain, be placed on the roll of invalid pensioners, at the rate of four dollars a month, commencing on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, to continue during his natural life.

A pension of \$4 per month allowed John Savage.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXI. — *An Act for the Relief of Andrew Flanagan.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, required to place on the roll of invalid pensioners the name of Andrew Flanagan, of Fayette, Pennsylvania, a lieutenant in the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, and that he pay him a pension of seventeen dollars per month, to commence on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, and continue during his natural life.

A pension of \$17 per month allowed Andrew Flanagan.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXII. — *An Act for the Relief of William H. Wilson.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be directed to place the name of William H. Wilson, of the State of Virginia, on the roll of invalid pensioners, and pay to him, from the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty, four dollars per month, during his natural life, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

A pension of \$4 per month allowed William H. Wilson.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Charles McLane, of Missouri.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the claim of Charles McLane to seven hundred and forty-eight arpens and sixty-

Ancient settlement claim of Charles McLane

to 748 arpens and 68 perches of land confirmed to him.

This confirmation not to impair any adverse recognized claim.

After survey and return of plat to General Land Office, patent to issue.

eight perches, which is entered as number thirty-three in the second class of the decisions of the late board of commissioners in Missouri, but which has since been shown to be an ancient and continued settlement claim, be and the same is hereby, confirmed, according to the original survey in eighteen hundred and six.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this confirmation is in no manner to impair or affect any interfering adverse recognized claim, if any such should be found to exist when a retracing and connection by survey of the original lines of said claim shall be made by the proper officer of the United States, pursuant to this confirmation; and that after such survey shall be made, and an official plat of the same returned to the General Land Office, a relinquishment patent shall be issued, in which shall be saved and protected any adverse interfering right, if such exist.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXIV. — *An Act for the Relief of James Fugate.*

A pension of \$4 per month allowed James Fugate.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of James Fugate, a soldier in the militia of Kentucky during the war with Great Britain, be placed upon the list of invalid pensioners, at the rate of four dollars a month, to commence on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of Thomas H. Noble.*

§284 62½ to be paid Thomas H. Noble, in full for charcoal, furnished by him to the U. States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to Thomas H. Noble, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two hundred and eighty-four dollars and sixty-two and a half cents, it being in full compensation for one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three bushels of charcoal furnished by him to the United States, at fourteen and a half cents per bushel, which was the contract price.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of Peter Shaffer.*

§372 46 to be paid Peter Shaffer, in full for work done by him upon the Cumberland road.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Peter Shaffer, the sum of three hundred and seventy-two dollars and forty-six cents, in full compensation for work done by him (by contract) upon the Cumberland road within the State of Illinois.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of John J. Young, a Commander in the Navy of the United States.*

Name of John J. Young to be

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary

of the Navy cause the name of John J. Young, a commander in the navy of the United States, to be placed upon the navy pension list, and the same amount paid to said John J. Young which was paid to him prior to the act of Congress of first August, eighteen hundred and forty-one, to wit: twenty-five dollars per month. Said payment to be made according to the rules and regulations now existing, and commencing on the first of August, eighteen hundred and forty-one, the time when the pension of said Young was suspended; which payments shall be made from the navy pension fund, or out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

placed on the navy pension list, and a pension of \$25 per month to be paid him.

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CHAP. CLXXVIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Charles Benns.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury pay to Charles Benns, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, so much as remains undisturbed in the treasury of the United States, the sum of three hundred and eighty-seven dollars and twenty cents; being the nett amount paid into the treasury from the sale of his effects, which had been seized for non-payment of duties, in full discharge and satisfaction of his claim, specified in the accompanying report.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

\$387 20 to be paid Charles Benns, in full satisfaction of his claim against the U. States.

CHAP. CLXXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of James Norris, and for other Purposes.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, directed to place the name of James Norris, of Sandwich, in the State of New Hampshire, on the roll of invalid pensioners, and pay him a pension at such rate per year as is provided by law for the total disability of an of an assistant surgeon in the navy of the United States, to commence on the first day of July, A. D. eighteen hundred and forty-eight, and continue during his natural life.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That there be, and hereby are, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated the following sums, for the government of the Territory of Minnesota:

For salaries of governor, three judges, and secretary, nine thousand dollars.

For contingent expenses of said Territory, three hundred and fifty dollars.

For compensation and mileage of the members of the legislative assembly, pay of officers and attendants, printing, stationery, fuel, and other incidental expenses, thirteen thousand seven hundred dollars.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

Name of James Norris to be placed on the invalid pension roll.

Appropriation for the government of Territory of Minnesota, viz.:

Salaries of governor and other officers.

Contingencies.

Pay and mileage of members of legislature, officers, and attendants, and other incidental expenses.

CHAP. CLXXX. — *An Act for the Relief of James F. Sothoron.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary

Secretary of the Treasury to as-

certain the value of certain tobacco owned by James F. Sothoron which was destroyed by the British troops during the war of 1812.

Amount to be paid to his legal representatives.

of the Treasury be directed to ascertain the then value of the tobacco owned by the late James F. Sothoron, and which was destroyed by the British troops during the late war, and to pay the amount thereof, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the legal representatives of the said James F. Sothoron, deceased, as a full indemnity for the loss of personal property destroyed by the enemy during the late war with Great Britain, in consequence of the occupation of said Sothoron's buildings by the American forces by order of their commanding officer.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXXI.—*An Act for the Relief of Peter Capella, Administrator of Andrew Capella, deceased, and for the Relief of John Capo, and for the Relief of Elijah Petty and Hannah Petty, his Wife, Heirs of John Beardon, deceased.*

The judge of the District Court of the U. S. for the northern district of Florida to adjudicate the claims of Peter Capella and others.

1834, ch. 87.

Proviso

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the judge of the District Court of the United States for the northern district of Florida be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to receive and adjudicate the claim of Peter Capella, administrator of Andrew Capella; and also the claim of John Capo, and also the claim of Elijah Petty and Hannah, his wife, heirs of John Beardon, and also the claim of Francis P. Ferreira, administrator of Francis Pass, deceased, under the provisions of the act of Congress of the twenty-sixth day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-four, entitled "An Act for the relief of certain inhabitants of East Florida," and that said several claims may be settled by the treasury as are other cases under said act: *Provided, however,* That the petition for the allowance of such claim shall be presented to said judge, by the proper parties entitled to prefer the same, within one year from the passage of this act: *And provided, also,* That said parties shall respectively allege in such petition, and prove to said judge, reasonable cause for such petition not having been presented within the time prescribed and enacted by said act of June twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and thirty-four.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXXII.—*An Act for the Relief of Thomas W. Chinn and others.*

Thomas W. Chinn and others discharged from the payment of one third of a judgment rendered against them upon their paying, or securing the payment, of residue of said judgment.

Proviso.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to discharge Thomas W. Chinn and Micajah Courtney and the other sureties of Thomas Gibbs Morgan, late collector for the district of Mississippi, from the payment of one third of the principal and interest of a judgment rendered against them in the Circuit Court of the United States in and for the fifth circuit and district of Louisiana, upon their paying or securing the payment of the residue of said judgment to the satisfaction of said Secretary: *Provided,* The Secretary of the Treasury shall not be authorized to make the compromise of this claim as aforesaid, unless he shall be satisfied that, from the party's pecuniary ability, said collector and his sureties, the said claim is not collectable;

and, also, that it is for the interest of the United States such compromise be made.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Thomas Talbot and others.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the superintendent of Indian affairs at St. Louis, Missouri, be authorized and required to ascertain, by proof, the number and value of the horses, mules, asses, and other property, forcibly taken from Thomas Talbot, Elisha Stanley, William Wolfskill, James Collins, Edwin M. Ryland, James Fielding, and Solomon Houck, by the Pawnee Indians, on the night of the twelfth day of October, anno Domini eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, at a place about twenty-five miles west of the Pawnee fork of the Arkansas River, and report the same to the Secretary of War, whose duty it shall be to pay over to the parties aforesaid the value of the property they respectively lost, and for that purpose the sum of four thousand one hundred and fifty-five dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Superintendent of Indian affairs at St. Louis directed to ascertain the value of horses and other property taken from Thomas Talbot and others by the Pawnee Indians, and report the same to the Secretary of War. \$4155 appropriated to pay the amount to the parties respectively.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXXIV. — *An Act for the Relief of Amelia Couvillion, of Louisiana.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Mrs. Amelia Couvillion, wife of Zenen St. Romain, be, and she is hereby, authorized to enter as a preëmption, and at the minimum price of public lands, the area, in legal subdivisions of one quarter section, so as to embrace her present actual settlement and "a certain improvement on a piece of public land, situated in the parish of Avoyelles, on Bayou Des Glaises," in the State of Louisiana, it appearing from an official certificate, dated the sixteenth of October, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, of the recorder of said parish, that the said Mrs. Amelia Couvillion became the purchaser at sheriff's sale of all the right, title, and interest of her said husband in the aforesaid improvement: *Provided, however,* That the right hereby allowed be subject to any valid adverse claim, if such exist, to any part of the land.

Amelia Couvillion authorized to enter as a preëmption a certain tract of land in Louisiana.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of Polly Aldrich.*

March 3, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be required to place the name of Polly Aldrich upon the pension roll, and that the said Polly Aldrich be entitled to receive the sum of forty dollars a year, during her natural life, to commence on the fourth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, in consideration of the services of her deceased husband, Clark Aldrich, (as a private in the revolutionary war,) for twelve months.

A pension of \$40 per annum allowed Polly Aldrich.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

March 3, 1849.

CHAP. CLXXXVI.—*An Act for the Relief of Daniel Wilson.*

A pension of
\$8 per month
allowed Daniel
Wilson.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to place the name of Daniel Wilson, of the county of Kane, and the State of Illinois, on the roll of invalid pensions, and pay him a pension at the rate of eight dollars per month, from the first day of January, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty-seven, to continue during his natural life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

RESOLUTIONS.

[No. 3.]—*A Resolution to defray the Expenses of certain Chippewa Indians and their Interpreter.* Feb. 22, 1849.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of six thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of a certain delegation of Chippewa Indians and their interpreter, in coming to Washington city upon business of their tribe with the government of the United States, and their expenses whilst engaged in such business in the city, and on their return home; the money to be paid into the hands of the chiefs of said delegation, or to an agent to be appointed by the Secretary of War, at his option, to conduct said Indians on the way home as far as Detroit, who shall be allowed a reasonable compensation for such services out of the money appropriated as aforesaid.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

Appropriation for defraying the expenses of a delegation of Chippewa Indians to Washington.

[No. 4.]—*Joint Resolution Concerning the Settlement of the Accounts of William Speiden, Purser in the Navy of the United States.* Feb. 22, 1849.

By the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury, under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, be, and they are hereby, authorized to settle the accounts of William Speiden, purser in the navy of the United States, and to credit him with such portion of the amount of the provisions, clothing, small stores, and money, and such other things as belong appropriately to the custody of the pursers' department, with which he stands charged on the books of the Fourth Auditor of the Treasury, as they shall be satisfied was inevitably lost with the loss of the United States vessel Peacock, at the mouth of the Columbia River, in eighteen hundred and forty-one, and that he be fully exonerated, by such credit, from all liability on account of the provisions, clothing, small stores, money, and any other articles with which he stands charged, proved to have been lost on board said vessel.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

See page 145 for this resolution correctly enrolled.

[No. 5.]—*Joint Resolution for the Relief of John B. Nevitt, of Adams County, Mississippi.* Feb. 22, 1849.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, within six months after the passage of this joint resolution, to cause an accurate survey

Commissioner of General Land Office to cause a survey to be

made of certain lands in Adams county, Miss.

And when surveyed, to notify John B. Nevitt of the number of acres vacant, and allow him or his legal representatives to enter the same at the minimum price.

to be made of certain unsurveyed lands lying in township seven and eight, of range three west, in Adams county, Mississippi, and more particularly known as a triangular slip lying between the lands granted to Joseph Bernard, and surveyed for his representatives, in the year eighteen hundred and six, on the north, and the lands, marked on the maps of the Surveyor-General's office, south of Tennessee, as Balser Shillings, and now occupied and owned by John B. Nevitt on the south; and when so surveyed, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner, as aforesaid, to notify the said John B. Nevitt of the number of acres ascertained to be vacant, and if the said Nevitt, or, in case of his death, his legal representatives, shall, within six months next succeeding such notice, offer to pay to the receiver of the Land Office of the district within which said lands lie, one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre for the same, it shall be the duty of the receiver aforesaid to accept such offer, and, on payment being made, to give a receipt therefor, as in other cases of land entries, and on the presentation of said receipt to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, he shall cause a patent to issue, as in all other cases of lands paid for.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

Feb. 22, 1849.

[No. 6.]—*Joint Resolution authorizing a Settlement of the Accounts of Thomas M. Howe, late Pension Agent at Pittsburg, upon equitable Principles.*

Accounts of T. M. Howe to be settled on principles of justice and equity.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be, and they are hereby, authorized to settle and adjust the accounts of Thomas M. Howe, late pension agent at Pittsburg, in the State of Pennsylvania, according to the principles of equity; and to admit the vouchers without regard to strict legal rules, if to them it shall appear that said vouchers are in all other respects correct.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

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[No. 7.]—*A Joint Resolution for the Relief of H. M. Barney.*

Postmaster-General, in adjusting his accounts, to charge H. M. Barney nothing for receipts of his office during the 4th quarter of 1847.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General, in the adjustment of the accounts of H. M. Barney, postmaster at Brimfield, Peoria county, Illinois, be required to charge Barney nothing for the receipts of his office during the quarter ending the thirty-first of December, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

APPROVED, February 22, 1849.

Feb. 26, 1849.

[No. 8.]—*Joint Resolution for the Relief of J. Melville Gilliss and others.*

Accounting officers of the treasury, in settling the accounts of Lieut. J. M. Gilliss, and his assistants, to allow

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury are hereby authorized and directed, in settling the accounts of Lieutenant J. Melville Gilliss, of the navy, for the time during which he had charge of the depot of charts at Washington, and also in settling the accounts of those officers of the navy who were employed as additional assistants of Lieutenant Gilliss, for making

astronomical and scientific observations in connection with the objects of the late surveying and exploring expedition, to allow him and each of them, respectively, such extra pay as was allowed by the act of one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, chapter one hundred, to the officers attached to that expedition.

APPROVED, February 26, 1849.

to each of them
certain extra
pay.

[No. 9.] — *Joint Resolution concerning the Settlement of the Accounts of William Speiden, Purser in the Navy of the United States.*

Feb. 26, 1849.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury, under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, be, and they are hereby, authorized to settle the accounts of William Speiden, purser in the navy of the United States, and to credit him with such portion of the amount of the provisions, clothing, small stores, and money, and such other things as belong appropriately to the custody of the purser's department, with which he stands charged on the books of the Fourth Auditor of the Treasury, as they shall be satisfied was inevitably lost with the loss of the United States vessel Peacock, at the mouth of the Columbia River, in eighteen hundred and forty-one; and that he be fully exonerated, by such credit, from all liability on account of the provisions, clothing, small stores, money, and any other articles with which he stands charged, proved to have been lost on board said vessel.

APPROVED, February 26, 1849.

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loss of the U. S.
vessel Peacock.

[No. 13.] — *A Resolution to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to make an equitable Settlement with the Sureties of Robert T. Lytle, late Surveyor-General of the District of Ohio.*

March 2, 1849.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to make an equitable settlement with the sureties of Robert T. Lytle, late Surveyor-General of the district of Ohio, as he shall, under the circumstances, deem just, and on their paying such sum as after said settlement may be due to discharge said sureties from further liability, or on securing to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury such balance, to give such further time for the payment of the same as he may deem advisable.

APPROVED, March 2, 1849.

Secretary of
the Treasury to
make an equita-
ble settlement
with the sureties
of R. T. Lytle,
&c.

[No. 21.] — *A Resolution respecting the Claims of A. S. & A. W. Benson.*

March 3, 1849.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and is hereby, authorized to adjust and settle, upon principles of equity and justice, the claims of A. S. & A. W. Benson, arising out of contracts made with the Navy Department for the transportation of naval stores to the Pacific.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

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S. & A. W. Ben-
son to be adjust-
ed and settled
upon principles
of justice and
equity.

March 3, 1849.

[No. 22.] — *Joint Resolution for the Relief of George R. Smith.*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General pay to George R. Smith, of Missouri, the sum of seven hundred and eighty dollars, as full compensation for carrying the mail once per week oftener than originally contracted by him, on routes forty-six hundred and sixty-five and forty-six hundred and seventy, from the fifteenth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-four, until the first day of July eighteen hundred and forty-six.

APPROVED, March 3, 1849.

Geo. R. Smith to be paid \$780 for carrying the mail on routes 4665 and 4670, from 15th Aug., 1844, to 1st July, 1846.