

under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, a register for the barque Wilhamet, formerly a British vessel, but now owned by A. G. Benson and John Benson, citizens of the State of New York: said vessel, having been wrecked and condemned on Rockaway Beach, Long Island, was purchased by the aforesaid citizens of the United States, and has been repaired and refitted for sea: *Provided*, It shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury that the cost of the repairs made in the United States, after the purchase of the said vessel by the present owners, exceeds three fourths of the original cost of building a vessel of the same tonnage in the United States.

APPROVED, February 15, 1848.

Proviso as to cost of repairs.

Feb. 15, 1848.

CHAP. XI. — *An Act for the Relief of Joseph and Lindley Ward.*

Commissioner of Indian Affairs to adjust and settle the claims of J. and L. Ward.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Commissioner of Indian Affairs be, and he is hereby, authorized to adjust and settle the claims of Lindley and Joseph Ward, arising upon their contract with the United States to furnish rations for the emigrating Indians of the Potawatomie tribe, in eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, according to the principles set forth in the report accompanying this bill; and that the same be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation.

APPROVED, February 15, 1848.

Feb. 22, 1848.

CHAP. XIV. — *An Act to authorize the issuing of a Register or Enrolment to the Schooner Robert Henry.*

A register to be issued

*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 schooner Robert Henry, formerly a British vessel, but now owned by John P. Baldwin, 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 schooner in the United States, after her purchase by the present owner, exceeds three fourths of the original cost of building a vessel of the same tonnage in the United States.

Proviso as to cost of repairs.

APPROVED, February 22, 1848.

March 9, 1848.

CHAP. XVI. — *An Act granting the Franking Privilege to Louisa Catharine Adams.*

Franking privilege granted to Mrs. Adams.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That all letters and packets carried by post to and from Louisa Catharine Adams, widow of the late John Quincy Adams, be conveyed free of postage during her natural life.

APPROVED, March 9, 1848.

March 14, 1848.

CHAP. XX. — *An Act for the Relief of the Administratrix of Elisha L. Keen, deceased.*

Secretary of the 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