

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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