

Duties on wines reduced one-half, after 30th July, 1836.

Wines may be put into custom-house stores, &c.

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SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the thirtieth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, the duty on all kinds of wine imported into the United States shall be reduced one-half, so that no more than one-half the amount now assessed shall be thereafter assessed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all kinds of wine, whether imported before or after the passage of this act, may be put into the custom-house stores, under the bond of the importer or owner; and such of the said wines as shall remain under the control of the proper officer of the customs, on the thirtieth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, shall be subject to no other duty than if the same were imported after that day; and if the duties or any part thereof, on the wines deposited, as aforesaid, shall have been paid previous to the said thirtieth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, the amount of excess of duty shall be refunded to the person importing and depositing the same: *Provided*, That no wines shall be so deposited unless in the casks or bottles as imported: *And provided, further*, That the benefit of this act shall not be extended to any wines not entitled to debenture.

APPROVED, July 4, 1836.

STATUTE I.

July 4, 1836.

CHAP. CCCLX.—*An act for the purchase of certain rights or inventions of William H. Bell, of North Carolina.*

To be paid to him for his interest in two patent rights.

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 hereby authorized to pay to Captain William H. Bell, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, whenever said Bell shall transfer and convey to the United States all his, said Bell's, right, interest, and title, in and to two certain patents, viz: one called a machine for elevating heavy cannon, the other called a traverse board for pointing cannon; together with all the right to the United States to use every improvement that has been made by said Bell on the said inventions, since patenting the same; *Provided, however*, That said sum of twenty thousand dollars shall be in full for all claims against the United States for using said patents

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STATUTE I.

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CHAP. CCCLXI.—*An Act confirming claims to land in the State of Missouri, and for other purposes.*

Decisions of the recorder confirmed.

Act of July 9, 1832, ch. 180.

Act of March 2, 1833, ch. 84.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the decisions in favor of land claimants, made by the recorder of land titles in the State of Missouri, and the two commissioners associated with him by virtue of an act entitled "An act for the final adjustment of private land claims in Missouri," approved July ninth, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and an act supplemental thereto, approved March second, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, as entered in the transcript of decisions transmitted by the said recorder and commissioners to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and by him laid before Congress at the two last and present sessions, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed, saving and reserving, however, to all adverse claimants, the right to assert the validity of their claims in a court or courts of justice: *Provided*, That nothing in this act contained shall apply to, or be in confirmation of the claim of Don Carlos D. Vilemont, for a tract of land at Point Chicot: *And provided, also*, That nothing in this act contained shall apply to, or be in confirmation of the following claims, to wit: Manuel Liza, six thousand arpens; J. Coontz, and Hempstead,

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four hundred and fifty arpens; Matthew Saucier, one thousand two hundred arpens; Charles Tayon, one thousand six hundred arpens; sons of Joseph M. Pepin, five thousand six hundred arpens; Louis Lorimiere, thirty thousand arpens; Bartholomew Cousin, ten thousand arpens; Manuel Gonzales Moro, eight hundred arpens; Seneca Rollins, four hundred arpens; William Long, four hundred arpens; James Journey, four hundred arpens; Joachim Lisa, six thousand arpens; Francois Lacombe, four hundred arpens; Israel Dodge, seven thousand [and] fifty six arpens; Andrew Chevalier, four hundred arpens; Joseph Silvain, two hundred and fifty arpens; John P. Cabanis, two thousand arpens; William Hartly, six hundred and fifty arpens; William Morrison, seven hundred and fifty arpens; Solomon Bellew, three hundred and fifty arpens; Paschal Detchemendez, seven thousand [and] fifty-six arpens; Baptiste Aunure, two hundred and forty arpens; Alexander Maurice, four hundred arpens; Jean Baptiste Valle, twenty thousand arpens; Israel Dodge, one thousand arpens; Walter Fenwick, ten thousand arpens; John Smith T., ten thousand arpens; and Mackey Wherry, sixteen hundred arpens.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That if it shall be found that any tract or tracts confirmed as aforesaid, or any part thereof, had been previously located by any other person or persons under any law of the United States, or had been surveyed and sold by the United States, this act shall confer no title to such lands in opposition to the rights acquired by such location or purchase; but the individual, or individuals, whose claims are hereby confirmed, shall be permitted to locate so much thereof as interferes with such location or purchase, on any unappropriated land of the United States within the State of Missouri, or Territory of Arkansas, in whichever the original claim may be, that may be subject to entry at private sale: *Provided*, That such location shall conform to legal divisions and subdivisions, and shall not interfere with the rights of other persons.

Other land may be located, should any of that be occupied, the title to which is confirmed.

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SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the locations authorized by this act, shall be entered with the register of the proper land office, who shall, on application for that purpose, make out for such claimant a certificate of location, which, with the certificate of confirmation, shall be transmitted to the Commissioner of the General Land Office; and if it shall appear to the satisfaction of the said Commissioner that such certificate shall have been fairly obtained, according to the true intent and meaning of this act and the laws of the United States, then, and in that case, patents shall be granted in like manner as is provided by law for the other lands of the United States. And for each certificate of location to be issued as aforesaid, the register shall be entitled to receive from the person applying therefor, the sum of one dollar.

Locations to be entered with the Register, &c.

APPROVED, July 4, 1836.

STATUTE I.

CHAP. CCCLXII.—*An Act granting half pay to widows or orphans, where their husbands and fathers have died of wounds received in the military service of the United States, in certain cases, and for other purposes.*

July 4, 1836.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when any officer, non-commissioned officer, musician or private of the militia, including rangers, sea fencibles, and volunteers, shall have died while in the service of the United States, since the twentieth of April, eighteen hundred and eighteen, or who shall have died in consequence of a wound received whilst in the service, since the day aforesaid, and shall have left a widow, or, if no widow, a child or children under sixteen years of age, such widow, or if no widow, such child or children, shall be entitled to receive half the monthly pay to which the deceased was

1837, ch. 42.
1842, ch. 191.
1848, ch. 108.
Five years' half pay to widows or orphans of those who have died, &c. in the service of United States since 20th April 1818.
1853, ch. 41.