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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 Gonzalez 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 Lacomb, two hundred and fifty 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 Bellee, 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 other land 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.

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.

APPROVED, July 4, 1836.

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.

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 entitled, should any of that be occupied, the title to which is confirmed.
entitled at the time of his death or receiving such wound, for and during the term of five years; and in case of the death or marriage of such widow before the expiration of said five years, the half pay for the remainder of the time shall go to the said decedent: Provided, That the half pay aforesaid shall be half the monthly pay of the officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates of the infantry of the regular army, and no more: Provided, also, That no greater sum shall be allowed to the widow or to the child or children of any officer, than the half pay of a lieutenant colonel.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That if any officer, non-commissioned officer, musician, soldier, Indian spy, mariner or marine, whose service during the revolutionary war was such as is specified in the 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," have died since the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, and before the date of said act, the amount of pension which would have accrued from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, to the time of his death, and become payable to him by virtue of that act, if he had survived the passage thereof, shall be paid to his widow; and if he left no widow, to his children, in the manner prescribed in the act hereby amended.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That if any person who served in the war of the revolution, in the manner specified in the 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," have died, leaving a widow whose marriage took place before the expiration of the last period of his service, such widow shall be entitled to receive, during the time she may remain unmarried, the annuity or pension which might have been allowed to her husband, by virtue of the act aforesaid, if living at the time it was passed.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That any pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment, or transfer of any right, claim, or interest in any money or half pay granted by this act, shall be utterly void and of no effect; each person acting for and in behalf of any one entitled to money under this act, shall take and subscribe an oath, to be administered by the proper accounting officer and retained by him and put on file, before a warrant shall be delivered to him, that he has no interest in said money by any pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment or transfer, and that he does not know or believe that the same has been so disposed of to any person whatever.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War shall adopt such forms of evidence, in applications under this act, as the President of the United States shall prescribe.

APPROVED, July 4, 1836.

STATUTE I.

July 4, 1836. [Obsolete.]

CHAP. CCCLXIII.—An Act making appropriations for the improvement of certain harbors therein mentioned, for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the security of the navigation and commerce of the United States, the following sums of money be, and the same are hereby directed to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and placed at the disposition of the President, for the following objects, viz:—

For erecting a breakwater on Stanford ledge, in Portland harbor, according to the plan reported by John Anderson, of the Engineer corps, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, ten thousand dollars.