hazardous circumstances, in the prosecution of hostilities against an enemy of this republic: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the widows, if any such there be, and in case there be no widow, the child or children, and if there be no child, then the parent or parents, and if there are no parents, to the brothers and sisters who were minors and under the age of eighteen years at the time of said loss of the officers, seamen, and marines who were in the service of the United States, and lost in the United States brig-of-war Somers, shall be entitled to, and receive, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum equal to twelve months' pay of their respective deceased relations aforesaid, in addition to the pay due to the said deceased at the date of the loss of said vessel.

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Chap. CLXXX. — An Act in Relation to Military Land Warrants.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any non-commissioned officer, musician, or private, or his widow or heirs, who shall receive and hold in his own right a land warrant, issued by the government of the United States for military service, may locate the same in an legal subdivision, on any public land subject to private entry, taking said land at the price at which the same is subject to private entry, and reckoning the warrant at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre for the number of acres therein contained, and paying the balance, if any, in money; but no claim shall exist on the government to pay for any balance on said warrant in money.

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