CHAP. CLVIII.—An Act to provide for the Payment of Fines and Penalties collected by or paid the Justices of the Peace in the District of Columbia under the Acts of Congress approved the third and fifth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the several justices of the peace of the District of Columbia who have imposed fines under the acts of Congress approved the third and fifth days of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, shall, on or before the fifteenth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, make a full and faithful report of their doings in that behalf, stating the name of the party, the amount of fine imposed, and the name of the witnesses examined in each case, to the superintendent of metropolitan police, and shall pay over all moneys in their hands arising from such fines to the said superintendent; and such of said justices as shall fail by the time specified to make such report, and comply with the other provisions of this law, shall be liable to a fine of not less than three hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, to be collected from said justices by prosecution in the criminal court in the said District of Columbia; and it shall be the duty of the superintendent of metropolitan police to inspect the dockets kept by the said justices of the peace, for the purpose of ascertaining the amount so collected as aforesaid by them; and the said justices shall submit their dockets to the inspection of the said superintendent; and failing to do so, shall pay a fine of not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars, to be collected as above.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That said justices of the peace shall, on or before the fifteenth day of July in each and every year, make a full and faithful report of their doings as aforesaid, for the preceding year, to the superintendent of metropolitan police, and shall pay over all moneys in their hands arising from such fines to the said superintendent; and if any justice of the peace of the District of Columbia shall fail to comply with the provisions of this law, he shall be liable to a fine of not less than three hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, to be collected as provided in the first section of this act.

APPROVED, July 12, 1862.

July 12, 1862.

CHAP. CLIX.—An Act for the Relief of the Register of the Land Office at Vincennes, Indiana, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to make such allowance for office rent during the temporary continuance of the land office at Vincennes, Indiana, as may, in his opinion, be just and proper.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said Secretary be authorized to adjust the account of John Moore, postmaster at Vincennes, Indiana, and allow him, at the usual rates for such services, compensation for the custody of the books, papers, and so forth, of the land office at Vincennes, Indiana, during the time the same were in his charge, under instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, dated September third, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight; these allowances to be paid out of the appropriation for incidental expenses of district land offices: Provided, That the total sum paid under this act shall not exceed five hundred dollars.

APPROVED, July 12, 1862.

July 12, 1862.

CHAP. CLX.—An Act for Relief in the Land Claim in California, known as the Claim of Francisco Soberanes to a Tract of Land known as "Sanjon de Santa Rita."

Whereas, in the district court of the United States for the southern district of California, in the case of Francisco Soberanes vs. The United
States, for the rancho lying in the State of California known by the name of Saujon de Santa Rita, a decree filed on the ninth day of February, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, was entered, confirming to said Soberanes the said tract of land known by the name of Saujon de Santa Rita; and whereas, on the presentation of the mandate of the Supreme Court of the United States, dismissing the appeal to the said Supreme Court of the United States in said cause, the said decree was made final by a decree of said district court, rendered on the first day of November, eighteen hundred and sixty; and whereas the land confirmed as aforesaid lies in the northern district of California, as ascertained by a final survey of the same: Therefore —

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the said decrees of the district court of the United States for the southern district of California shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, as valid and effectual as if the same had been rendered by the district court of the United States for the northern district of California.

APPROVED, July 12, 1862.

CHAP. CLXI.—An Act confirming a Land Claim in the State of Iowa, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the grant of lands to the then Territory of Iowa for the improvement of the Des Moines River, made by the act of August eight, eighteen hundred and forty-six, is hereby extended so as to include the alternate sections (designated by odd numbers) lying within five miles of said river, between the Raccoon fork and the northern boundary of said State; such lands are to be held and applied in accordance with the provisions of the original grant, except that the consent of Congress is hereby given to the application of a portion thereof to aid in the construction of the Keokuk, Fort Des Moines, and Minnesota railroad, in accordance with the provisions of the act of the general assembly of the State of Iowa, approved March twenty-two, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight. And if any of said lands shall have been sold or otherwise disposed of by the United States before the passage of this act, excepting those released by the United States to the grantees of the State of Iowa under the joint resolution of March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to set apart an equal amount of lands within said State to be certified in lieu thereof: Provided, That if the said State shall have sold and conveyed any portion of the lands lying within the limits of this grant the title of which has proved invalid, any lands which shall be certified to said State in lieu thereof by virtue of the provisions of this act shall inure to, and be held as a trust fund for the benefit of, the person or persons respectively whose titles shall have failed as aforesaid.

APPROVED, July 12, 1862.

CHAP. CLXIII.—An Act increasing, temporarily, the Duties on Imports, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the first day of August, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-two, in lieu of the duties heretofore imposed by law on the articles hereinafter mentioned there shall be levied, collected, and paid, on the goods, wares, and merchandise, herein enumerated and provided for, imported from foreign countries, the following duties and rates of duty, that is to say:

On sirup of sugar, or of sugar cane, or concentrated molasses, or concentrated melado, two cents per pound;