

CHAP. XXX. — *An Act to enable Ann M. Rodefer, Administratrix of Joseph Rodefer, deceased, to make Application for the Extension of Letters-Patent for an Improvement in Bedstead Fastenings.* Jan. 30, 1871.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That Ann M. Rodefer, administratrix of Joseph Rodefer, deceased, have leave to make application to the commissioner of patents for the extension of letters-patent granted to Joseph Rodefer for an improvement in bedstead fastenings on the tenth day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and fifty-five, for fourteen years, in the same manner as if the petition for said extension had been filed at least ninety days before the expiration of said patent; and that the commissioner of patents be authorized to consider and determine said application in the same manner as if it had been filed ninety days prior to the expiration of said patent, and with the same effect as if it had been regularly filed and acted upon under existing laws: *Provided,* That any such extension of said patent shall not affect the right to continue to use said machine of any person who, since the tenth day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, and prior to the approval of this act, may have procured, and at the time of such approval shall be using, said machine.

Application of Ann M. Rodefer for extension of patent may be heard and granted, if, &c.

Proviso.

APPROVED, January 30, 1871.

CHAP. XXXI. — *An Act for the Relief of Arnton Smith.* Jan. 31, 1871.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That Arnton Smith have leave to make a new application to the commissioner of patents for the extension of the letters-patent granted to him for an improvement in plows on the sixteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, for fourteen years from said date, in the same manner as he could have done at least ninety days before the expiration of said patent, and that the commissioner of patents be authorized to consider and determine said application in the same manner, and with the same effect, as if it had been filed ninety days before the expiration of said patent: *Provided,* That any such extension of said patent shall not affect the rights to continue to use such improvement in plows of any person who, since the sixteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, and prior to the approval of this act, may have procured, and at the time of such approval shall be using, said improvement in plows.

Application of Arnton Smith for extension of patent may be made and granted, if, &c.

Proviso.

APPROVED, January 31, 1871.

CHAP. XXXII. — *An Act to pay two Companies of Oregon Volunteers.* Feb. 2, 1871.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the act of Congress entitled "An act to authorize the Secretary of War to settle and adjust the expenses of the Rogue River Indian war," approved the seventeenth of July, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, be, and the same is hereby, extended to the two companies of Oregon volunteers, commanded by Captains Jesse Walker and Nathan Olney, called into service to suppress Indian hostilities in Oregon in eighteen hundred and fifty-four.

Act of 1854, ch. 87. Vol. x. p. 307. extended to two companies of Oregon volunteers.

J. G. BLAINE,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

SCHUYLER COLFAX,

*Vice-President of the United States and President of the Senate.*

Received by the President, January 21, 1871.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE. — The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the House of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

Feb. 2, 1871.

CHAP. XXXIII. — *An Act to reimburse the State of Kansas for Moneys expended for the United States in enrolling, equipping, and provisioning Militia Forces to aid in suppressing the Rebellion.*

Accounts of State of Kansas for expenses of certain militia to be examined and audited.

What items of disbursements only to be allowed.

In the account certain amounts to be stated separately.

Rate and time of compensation.

Written report to be made for reference to Congress.

Commissioners to be sworn.

Their pay.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That immediately upon the passage of this act the Secretary of War shall detail three officers of the army, whose duty it shall be to examine and audit the accounts of the State of Kansas for moneys expended in payment of the expenses of the militia called into service by order of the governor, upon the requisition of Major-General Curtis, in eighteen hundred and sixty-four, to repel the invasion of General Price.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the officers so detailed shall proceed, subject to regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of War, at once to examine all the items of expenditure made by said State for the purposes herein named, allowing only for disbursements made and amounts assumed by the State for enrolling, equipping, subsisting, transporting, and paying such troops as were called into service by the governor, at the request of the United States department commander commanding the district in which Kansas may at the time have been included, or by the express order, consent, or concurrence of such commander, or which may have been employed or used in suppressing rebellion in said State. And no allowance shall be made for any troops which did not perform actual military service in full concert and co-operation with the authorities of the United States and subject to their orders.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That, in making up said account, the commissioners shall state separately the amounts expended, respectively, for enrolling, equipping, arming, subsisting, transporting, and paying said troops; and they shall not allow for any expenditure or compensation for service at a rate greater than was at the time authorized by the laws of the United States, and the regulations prescribed by the Secretary of War in similar cases, nor shall such compensation embrace a longer period than thirty days' service in any case.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That as soon as said commissioners shall have made up said account and ascertained the balance, as herein directed, they shall make written report thereof, showing the different items of expenditure as hereinbefore stated, to the Secretary of War, to be by him referred to Congress for final action.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the commissioners to be appointed as aforesaid shall, before proceeding to the discharge of their duties, be sworn that they will carefully examine the accounts existing between the United States and the State of Kansas, and that they will, to the best of their ability, make a just, true, and impartial statement thereof, as required by this act. They shall receive such compensation for their services as may be determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, not exceeding ten dollars per day for each commissioner.

APPROVED, February 2, 1871.

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CHAP. XXXIV. — *An Act making a temporary Appropriation for the Prosecution of the Work upon the Improvement of Saint Mary's Falls Canal and Saint Mary's River, Michigan.*

Appropriation for improvement of Saint Mary's Falls canal and Saint Mary's river.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended under the direction and superintendence of the Secretary of War, for the purpose of continuing the prosecution of the work upon the improvement of Saint Mary's Falls canal and Saint Mary's river, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars.

APPROVED, February 2, 1871.