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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, restore John C. Beaumont to the position of captain on the active list, to take position at the foot of the list of captains: Provided, That that the passage of this act shall not entitle the said John C. Beaumont to draw any additional back pay.

APPROVED, June 10, 1872.

June 10, 1872.

CHAP. CDXIX. — An Act relative to retired Officers of the Army.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all officers of the United States army who may hereafter be retired shall be retired upon the actual rank held by them at the date of retirement, and the thirty-second section of the act to increase and fix the military peace establishment of the United States, approved July twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, is hereby repealed.

APPROVED, June 10, 1872.

June 10, 1872.

CHAP. CDXX. — An Act to prevent and punish the Obstruction of the Administration of Justice in the Courts of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if any person or persons shall corruptly, or by threats or force, or by threatening letters, or any threatening communications, endeavoring to influence any grand or petit juror of any United States court in the discharge of his or their duty, or shall corruptly, or by threats or force, or by threatening letters, or any threatening communications, influence, obstruct, or impede, or endeavor to influence, obstruct, or impede, the due administration of justice therein, such person or persons so offending shall be liable to prosecution therefor by indictment, and shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both, according to the aggravation of the offence. And if any person or persons shall attempt to influence any grand or petit juror upon any issue or matter pending before the jury, by writing or sending to him any letter or letters, or any communication in print or writing in relation to such issue or matter, without the order previously obtained of the court before which the said juror is summoned, such person or persons so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to prosecution therefor by indictment or information, and shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, according to the aggravation of the offence.

APPROVED, June 10, 1872.

June 10, 1872.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the act entitled “An act for the final adjustment of private land-claims in the States of Florida, Louisiana, and Missouri, and for other purposes,” approved June twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty, be, and the same are hereby, extended, and the same shall continue in force for a period of three years from and after the passage of this act.