This act shall be subject to amendment or repeal at the pleasure of Congress.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLXI. — An Act for the Creation of a Court for the Adjudication and Disposition of certain Moneys received into the Treasury under an Award made by the Tribunal of Arbitration constituted by Virtue of the first Article of the Treaty concluded at Washington the eighth of May, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-one, between the United States of America and the Queen of Great Britain.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That immediately upon the payment of the sum of money awarded to the United States by the tribunal of arbitration at Geneva to be paid by the government of Great Britain the same shall be paid into the treasury and used to redeem, so far as it may the public debt of the United States. And the amount equal to the debt so redeemed shall be invested in the five per cent. registered bonds of the United States to be held subject to the future disposition of Congress.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLXII. — An Act to place colored Persons who enlisted in the Army on the same Footing as other Soldiers as to Bounty and Pension.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all colored persons who enlisted in the army during the late war, and who are now prohibited from receiving bounty and pension on account of being borne on the rolls of their regiments as "slaves," shall be placed on the same footing as to bounty and pension, as though they had not been slaves at the date of their enlistment.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLXIII. — An Act fixing the Time of holding the Fall Term of the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fall term of the United States district court for the district of Nebraska shall hereafter be held at Omaha upon the first Wednesday after the second Tuesday in the month of October of each year.

APPROVED, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCLXIV. — An Act creating the Collection District of Southern Oregon.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the ports, harbors, bays, rivers, and waters of the main land of all that portion of the State of Oregon lying south and east of the north bank of the Siuslaw river, shall constitute a collection district by the name of the southern collection district of Oregon established; and a port of entry shall be, and hereby is, established for said district at Coos bay, in Coos county, of said State; and a collector of customs shall be appointed by the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to reside at Empire city.

Sec. 2. That ports of delivery shall be, and are hereby, established in the collection district aforesaid, at Ellinburg, at the mouth of Rogue river, Port Orford, out at Gardner on the Umpqua river; and the collector of customs of said district is hereby authorized to appoint, with the approbation of the Secretary of the Treasury, three deputy collectors, to be stationed at the ports of delivery aforesaid.

Sec. 3. That the collector of said district shall be allowed a compensation of one thousand dollars per annum, with the fees allowed by law, of collect.