

June 9, 1880.

CHAP. 165.—An act to complete the survey of the Gettysburg battle-field, and to provide for the compilation and preservation of data showing the various positions and movements of troops at that battle, illustrated by diagrams.

Survey and dia-
grams.
Battle-field of
Gettysburg,
Appropriations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to complete the survey of the Gettysburg battle-field; also, to provide for the compilation of all available data used in locating troops on the engineer maps of that battle; also, to provide diagrams showing the changing movements and positions during the engagement; the whole to be done by or under the direction of Mr. John B. Bachelder, author of the position plates of the government maps of that battle, under the direction of the Secretary of War: *Provided,* That no part of said sum shall be disbursed by the Secretary of War except for work actually performed or for materials furnished for the objects heretofore named; and that all the maps, data, and materials prepared for, or used for, the work contemplated by this act shall be the property of the government, to be deposited in the Department of War: *And provided further,* That the sum hereby appropriated shall be in full satisfaction for all work done and all material collected by the said John B. Bachelder.

Proviso.

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CHAP. 166.—An act to restore pensions in certain cases.

1866, ch. 235,
Stat., 14, 230.

1868, ch. 264,
Stat., 15, 235.
R. S. 4712.

Certain reduced
pensions restored.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section three of an act entitled "An act increasing the pensions of widows and orphans, and for other purposes", approved July twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and section thirteen of an act entitled "An act relating to pensions", approved July twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, and section forty-seven hundred and twelve of the Revised Statutes, shall not operate to reduce the rate of any pension which had actually been allowed to the commissioned, non-commissioned, or petty officers of the Navy or their widows or minor children, prior to the twenty-fifth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-six; and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to restore all such pensions as have already been so reduced to the rate originally granted and allowed, to take effect from the date of such reduction.

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CHAP. 167.—An act providing for the transportation of the mails between East Saint Louis, in the State of Illinois, and Saint Louis, in the State of Missouri.

Mails between
East Saint Louis,
Ill., and Saint
Louis, Mo.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he hereby is, authorized to treat the transportation of mails between East Saint Louis and the Union Depot in Saint Louis, Missouri, as other than railroad service, and to pay for the same to the lowest bidder therefor, having due regard to the efficiency of the service, out of any appropriation available for the purpose.

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CHAP. 168.—An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue an American register to the bark Annie Johnson.

Register to bark
Annie Johnson.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to issue an American register to the bark Annie Johnson, formerly known as the British ship Ada

Iredale, said vessel being now owned by a citizen of San Francisco, California.

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CHAP. 169.—An act to grant to the corporate authorities of the city of Council Bluffs, in the State of Iowa, for public uses, a certain lake or bayou situated near said city.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be, and is hereby, conveyed to the corporate authorities of the city of Council Bluffs, in the State of Iowa, and their successors in office, the title of the United States to the meandered lake, situated in sections eleven, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, twenty-two, and twenty-three, in township seventy-five north, range forty-four west of the fifth principal meridian of Iowa, upon the express conditions that the premises shall be held for public use, resort, and recreation; shall be inalienable for all time; but leases not exceeding ten years may be granted for portions of said premises, all incomes derived from leases of privileges to be expended in the preservation and improvement of the property, or the roads leading thereto; the premises to be managed by the said corporate authorities, or such commissioners as they may elect, and who shall receive no compensation for their services.

Title to lake or bayou granted to city of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

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CHAP. 170.—An act to authorize a compromise of the claims of the United States under the will of Joseph L. Lewis.

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Whereas, Joseph L. Lewis, deceased, formerly of the city of Hoboken, State of New Jersey, by his will dated first October, eighteen hundred and seventy-three, and a codicil thereto, dated fifth June, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, bequeathed certain legacies, amounting in all to about forty thousand dollars, and devised and bequeathed the residue of his estate, real and personal, now estimated to be of the value of one million of dollars and upwards, unto his executors therein named, in trust, to apply the same according to their discretion in reducing part of the national debt of the United States, they personally superintending such application in order to prevent waste by dishonest officials; and

Preamble.
Joseph L. Lewis, deceased.

Whereas the said will and codicil are now the subject of contestation in the courts of the State of New Jersey by Frances Grace and Catharine G. Ward claiming as the surviving sisters and John S. Cathcart as the nephew of Joseph L. Lewis, in which the government of the United States has been and is represented by legal counsel; and it is further claimed that said bequest is void, and that the testator had no power to dispose of his said property by his said will in derogation of a prior deed of trust: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Attorney-General, and Secretary of the Treasury are hereby authorized, if they see fit, to adjust or compromise the claims of the United States under the said devise or bequest upon such terms and conditions as shall be deemed by them fair and reasonable.

Compromise of claims of United States under devise or bequest.

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CHAP. 171.—An act to confirm certain entries and warrant locations in the former Palatka military reservation in Florida.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases in which lands lying within the limits of the former Palatka military reservation in Florida have been entered by settlers under the homestead laws, and

Confirmation of titles to lands.
Palatka military reservation, Florida.