CHAP. 46.—An act for the relief of Somerville Nicholson.

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 be, and is hereby, authorized to restore Somerville Nicholson, now a captain on the retired list of the Navy, to the active list, to take rank next after Clark H. Welles: Provided, That no claim for arrearages of pay shall accrue to said Nicholson by reason of restoration under the provisions of this act.

Approved, February 15, 1881.

CHAP. 47.—An act to restore the lands included in the Fort Reading and Fort Crook military reservations, in the State of California, to the public domain, 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 lands included in the Fort Reading military reservation and in the Fort Crook military reservation in the State of California, are hereby restored to the public domain.

SEC. 2. That all patents heretofore issued to any lands within the Fort Reading military reservation and Fort Crook military reservation are hereby confirmed.

SEC. 3. That the rights of all settlers on said reservations, to acquire title under the homestead and pre-emption laws, are hereby recognized and affirmed to the extent such settlers would have acquired by settling on public lands.

Approved, February 15, 1881.

CHAP. 60.—An act to amend and re-enact sections twenty-five hundred and seventeen and twenty-five hundred and eighteen of the Revised Statutes and changing the boundaries of a customs district in the State of Maine.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twenty-five hundred and seventeen of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended by inserting after the word “sixty-nine,” in the third line of the first clause of said section, the following words: “Excepting those towns, plantations, and townships lying on the line of the European and North American Railway,” so that said clause, as amended, shall read as follows:

“First. The district of Aroostook, to comprise the county of Aroostook as bounded on the twenty-second day of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, excepting those towns, plantations, and townships lying on the line of the European and North American Railway, in which Houlton shall be the only port of entry.”

Also, that said section twenty-five hundred and seventeen be further amended by inserting after the word “forty-seven,” in the fourth line of the sixth clause thereof the following words: “And the several towns, plantations, and townships in the counties of Aroostook and Washington lying on the line of the European and North American Railway,” so that said clause, as amended, shall read as follows:

“Sixth. The district of Bangor, to comprise the counties of Penobscot and Piscataquis and the town of Frankfort, in the county of Waldo, as bounded on the third day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, and the several towns, plantations, and townships in the counties of Aroostook and Washington lying on the line of the European and North American Railway, in which Bangor shall be the port of entry and delivery, and Frankfort and Hampden ports of delivery.”
SEC. 2. That the sixth clause of section twenty-five hundred and eighteen of the Revised Statutes be amended so as to read as follows:

"Sixth. In the district of Bangor, a collector, who shall reside at Bangor; a deputy collector, who shall reside at Frankfort; and a deputy collector, who shall reside at Vanceboro."

Approved, February 17, 1881.

CHAP. 61.—An act to grant lands to Dakota, Montana, Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming for university purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and are hereby, granted to the Territories of Dakota, Montana, Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming respectively, seventy-two entire sections of the unappropriated public lands within each of said Territories, to be immediately selected and withdrawn from sale and located under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, and with the approval of the President of the United States, for the use and support of a university in each of said Territories when they shall be admitted as States into the Union: Provided, That none of said lands shall be sold except at public auction, and after appraisement by a board of commissioners, to be appointed by the Secretary of the Interior: Provided further, That none of said lands shall be sold at less than the appraised value, and in no case at less than two dollars and fifty cents per acre: Provided, That the funds derived from the sale of said lands shall be invested in the bonds of the United States and deposited with the Treasurer of the United States; that no more than one-tenth of said lands shall be offered for sale in any one year; that the money derived from the sale of said lands, invested and deposited as hereinbefore set forth, shall constitute a university fund; that no part of said fund shall be expended for university buildings, or the salary of professors or teachers, until the same shall amount to fifty thousand dollars, and then only shall the interest on said fund be used for either of the foregoing purposes until the said fund shall amount to one hundred thousand dollars, when any excess, and the interest thereof, may be used for the proper establishment and support respectively of said universities.

Approved, February 18, 1881.

CHAP. 62.—An act to fix the times for holding the district and circuit courts of the United States for the western district of Texas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the district and circuit courts of the United States within and for the western district of Texas shall be holden at the times hereinafter specified, namely: At Austin, commencing on the first Tuesdays in January and June; at San Antonio, commencing on the first Tuesdays in March and October; at Brownsville, commencing on the fourth Tuesdays in April and November.

SEC. 2. That all laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. That this act take effect on the first day of March, anno Domini eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

Approved, February 18, 1881.

CHAP. 64.—An act amending the charter of the Freedman’s Savings and Trust Company, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the seventh section of the act entitled “An act amending the charter of the Freed-