

**CHAP. 231.** An Act To permit certain parties to intervene in the equity cause of the United States against Morris and others, pending in the supreme court of the District of Columbia.

May 2, 1898.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That any person not heretofore made a party to the equity cause of The United States against Morris and others, pending in the supreme court of the District of Columbia, in general term, who claims to have had an interest in the lots or parts of lots in squares sixty-three, eighty-nine, and one hundred and forty-eight, or in any of them, the title to which is shown to be undetermined by the report of said court made to Congress under date of March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, may, within three months from the passage hereof, intervene by petition in said cause and assert a claim to any fund growing out of the conversion of the title to such land in such manner as the court may direct; and in case the interest of any such claimant shall be established to the satisfaction of the court, it is hereby vested with jurisdiction and authority to award to such claimant payment of the value of his land heretofore ascertained by said court, as provided for in an Act entitled "An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and for other purposes" (Fifty-fourth Congress, first session, chapter four hundred and nineteen).

District of Columbia.  
Potomac flats.  
—permission to new parties to intervene in case of United States v. Morris, etc.

—award.

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**CHAP. 234.** An Act Making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and for other purposes.

May 4, 1898.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the naval service of the Government for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and for other purposes:

Naval service appropriations.

PAY OF THE NAVY.

Pay of the Navy.

For the pay of officers on sea duty; officers on shore and other duty; officers on waiting orders; officers on the retired list; clerks to commandants of yards and stations; clerks to paymasters at yards and stations; general storekeepers; receiving ships and other vessels; extra pay to men reenlisting under honorable discharge; interest on deposits by men; pay of twelve thousand seven hundred and fifty petty officers, seamen, landsmen, and boys, including men in the engineers' force and for the Coast Survey Service and Fish Commission, and of one thousand boys under training at training stations and on board training ships, and for men detailed for duty with naval militia at the pay prescribed by law, nine million one hundred and twenty-five thousand four hundred and sixty dollars. And whenever, within the next twelve months, an exigency may exist which, in the judgment of the President, renders their services necessary, he is hereby authorized to appoint from civil life and commission such officers of the line and staff, not above the rank or relative rank of commander, and warrant officers including warrant machinists, and such officers of the Marine Corps not above the rank of captain, to be appointed from the non-commissioned officers of the Corps and from civil life, as may be requisite: *Provided*, That such officers shall serve only during the continuance of the exigency under which their services are required in the existing war: *And provided further*, That such officers so appointed shall be assigned to duty with rank and pay of the grades established by existing law; and warrant machinists shall be paid at the rate of one thousand two hundred dollars per annum.

Exigency appointments from civil life.

*Provisos.*  
—termination of service.  
—established grades.

Pay of warrant machinists.