sury not otherwise appropriated by law, to pay to Lewis B. Willis, late a Paymaster in the Army of the United States, the sum of five hundred and ninety-three dollars and fifty cents, that being a balance ascertained to be due to him from the United States by a verdict and judgment rendered in the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

APPROVED, January 24, 1854.

Feb. 23, 1854.

CHAP. XV.—*An Act for the Relief of William Blake.*

Pension of William Blake to be increased to $13 a month, from March 14, 1845.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, directed to cause the pension allowed to William Blake on the fourteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-five, to be increased the sum of five dollars per month, so that the pension of said William Blake shall be thirteen dollars per month, and that the said increase of pension shall commence upon and be from the fourteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-five.

APPROVED, February 23, 1854.

Feb, 23, 1854.

CHAP. XVI.—*An Act to confirm to Hercules L. Dousman his title to Farm Lot number Thirty-two, adjoining the Town of Prairie du Chien, in the State of Wisconsin.*

Hercules L. Dousman's farm lot confirmed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the title of Hercules L. Dousman to farm lot number thirty-two, adjoining the town of Prairie du Chien, in the State of Wisconsin, supposed to contain one hundred and thirty acres, more or less, be, and the same is hereby, confirmed, and that a patent shall issue therefor as in other cases: *Provided*, That this is only to operate as a relinquishment on the part of the United States of her title to said land.

Proviso—operation of this act.

APPROVED, February 23, 1854.

March 1, 1854.

CHAP. XVIII.—*An Act for the Relief of Adam D. Steuart, Paymaster of the United States Army.*

Adam D. Steuart to be paid $150.

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 cause to be paid to Adam D. Steuart, a Paymaster of the United States Army, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, the same being the amount paid by said Steuart, as a fee to Ashley and Ringo, for prosecuting a suit at law for the recovery of the sum of two thousand dollars in specie, stolen from on board the steamboat Tom Boling, while the said specie was in his charge, and being transported for account of the United States to Little Rock, in the State of Arkansas, in the month of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

APPROVED, March 1, 1854.

March 1, 1854.

CHAP. XIX.—*An Act for the Relief of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Smith, of Missouri.*

Elizabeth C. Smith to be paid for her services as a private in male attire.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to pay to Mrs. Elizabeth C. Smith, of Missouri, for her services as a private in Captain Holeshider's company "D," of Colonel Gilpin's regiment of Missouri Infantry volunteers, (from the sixteenth of September, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, to the fourteenth of May, eighteen hundred and forty-eight,) in which she served during that time, in male attire, and under the assumed name of "Bill Newcom," as well as three

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