March 3, 1855.

CHAP. CXC.—*An Act for the Relief of Jesse French, of Braintree, Massachusetts.*

Jesse French to be placed on pension roll for life, at $4 per month, from Jan. 1, 1852.

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 hereby instructed to place the name of Jesse French on the pension roll, at the rate of four dollars per month, commencing on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, to be continued during his life.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

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1854, ch. 266.

CHAP. CXCI.—*An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act for the Relief of George M. Bentley, of the State of Indiana," approved August five, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.*

Pension of George M. Bentley.

1854, ch. 266.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no payments shall be made to George M. Bentley after the fourth March, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, under an act entitled "An act for the relief of George M. Bentley, of the State of Indiana," approved August five, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, until the claim and the right to a pension of the said Bentley shall have been presented to the Commissioner of Pensions, supported by evidence, and by said commissioner approved and allowed under the rules and regulations governing the examination and allowance of invalid pension claims for disabilities contracted in the Mexican war.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

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CHAP. CXCII.—*An Act for the Relief of Mrs. Irene G. Scarritt.*

Mrs. Irene G. Scarritt to be placed on widow's half-pay roll, for five years, at $25 per month from July 1, 1855.

Proviso.

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 place the name of Mrs. Irene G. Scarritt, widow of J. M. Scarritt, deceased, late an officer in the United States army, upon the list of widows entitled to half-pay, and pay her the sum of twenty-five dollars per month, commencing on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and continuing for five years: *Provided*, That in case of her death or intermarriage before the expiration of said term of five years, then the pension hereby granted shall inure to the benefit of the child or children of said J. M. Scarritt, deceased, under sixteen years of age, if such there be: and if there be none such, then the same shall cease.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

March 3, 1855.

CHAP. CXCIII.—*An Act for the Relief of Madalena Van Ness, widow of Cornelius P. Van Ness, deceased.*

Mrs. M. Van Ness to be paid $9,000.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of nine thousand dollars, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid to Mrs. Madalena Van Ness, widow of Cornelius P. Van Ness, deceased, in consideration of services rendered by the said Cornelius P. Van Ness, in the seizure of goods imported into the district of Vermont, in violation of the laws of the United States, during the years eighteen hundred and thirteen and eighteen hundred and fourteen, while he was collector of the customs for said district, and for which service he did not receive the award provided by law in such cases.

APPROVED, March 3, 1855.

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