

Said sums to be divided among the owners and sharesmen of said schooners, respectively, as now provided by existing laws. Said amounts how to be divided.
 APPROVED, July 30, 1856.

CHAP. LXXIV.—*An Act directing a Settlement of the Account of David Gordon.* August 1, 1856.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the First Auditor of the Treasury be authorized and required to adjust and settle the account of David Gordon as examining agent of the land-offices in Louisiana and Mississippi, and that he be allowed the per diem specified in his letter of instructions, from the eighth day of December, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, the day upon which he commenced the service at Greensburg, Louisiana, to the eleventh day of June following, when he terminated the service at Jackson, Mississippi, inclusive, and that he be allowed mileage from this city to the offices visited and back, agreeably to a schedule of distances furnished by the General Post-Office Department: *Provided,* That the rate of mileage shall not exceed that specified in his letter of instructions; and that the same be paid out of any fund hitherto subject to be charged for such special or contingent services: *And provided further,* That the sum paid by the Secretary of the Treasury on account of the second service be deducted in the final settlement under this act. Settlement of accounts of David Gordon.

APPROVED, August 1, 1856.

CHAP. LXXV.—*An Act for the Relief of Cephise Piseros, Widow of Louis Labranche, of the Parish of St. Charles, and State of Louisiana.* August 6, 1856.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Cephise Piseros, as heir-at-law of Jean Francois Piseros, deceased, be, and she is hereby, confirmed in her title to a tract of land in the Parish of St. Charles, and State of Louisiana, situate on the left bank of the Mississippi River, of about four arpents in front, with a depth of forty arpents, bounded on the north by the claim of Jean Francois Piseros, designated as "number eighty-eight" in the report of the board of commissioners for the eastern district of the Territory of Orleans, and on the south by the lands of Adelard Fortier, designated as claim number "four hundred and eighty-eight" by the register and receiver of the land-office for the eastern district of Louisiana, in their report of March twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixteen. Cephise Piseros confirmed in a land claim in the Parish of St. Charles, La.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the Commissioner of the General Land-Office shall, upon being presented with a plat and certificate of survey of the said tract of land, legally executed by the proper officer, issue a patent for the same: *Provided, however,* That such patent shall operate only as a relinquishment on the part of the United States, and shall not affect or prejudice the rights of any third person. Patent to issue.

APPROVED, August 6, 1856.

CHAP. LXXVI.—*An Act for the Relief of Randall D. Livingston.*

August 6, 1856.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Randall D. Livingston be, and he is hereby, confirmed in his title to a certain tract of land, lying and being within the limits of the "Baron de Bastrop grant," in the State of Louisiana, and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a corner post in the edge of a prairie known as prairie "Mer Rouge;" running thence south one hundred and fifty poles, to two black oaks and three gums; thence east one hundred and thirty-three poles, to a hickory and gum; thence north one hundred and fifty poles, to three gums and a Randall D. Livingston confirmed in his land claim within the De Bastrop grant in Louisiana.