

CHAP. CXXXIII.—*An Act for the Relief of Captain Alexander Montgomery, an Assistant Quartermaster in the United States Army.* March 3, 1857.

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 in settling the accounts of Captain Alexander Montgomery, as assistant quartermaster in the United States army, to allow him a credit for any balance which may appear against him upon the books of the treasury, and accruing during his service as such quartermaster, in the same manner as if he presented the proper vouchers therefor: *Provided,* The said amount shall not exceed the sum of seven thousand dollars.

Captain Alex. Montgomery to be allowed a credit in his accounts.

APPROVED, March 3, 1857.

CHAP. CXXXIV.—*An Act for the Relief of Martin Fenwick.*

March 3, 1857.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Martin Fenwick be and he is hereby confirmed in his claim to five hundred arpens of land, situated on the west bank of the Mississippi River, in the State of Missouri, and described as follows, to wit: Fractional sections five and six, lying north of the private land claim surveyed to George A. Hamilton, number one thousand two hundred and forty-four, in township thirty-four: the southeast fractional quarter and the northwest fractional quarter of fractional section thirty-one, and fractional section thirty-two, in township thirty-five, all of range fourteen east, of the lands subject to sale at Jackson, Missouri, and containing in the aggregate four hundred and twenty-five acres and forty-six hundredths of an acre.

Martin Fenwick confirmed in certain land in Missouri.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That said Martin Fenwick shall have the exclusive right, within one year from the passage of this act, to enter at the minimum price of public lands, subject to private sale, the southwest quarter, and the fractional northeast quarter of fractional section thirty-one, township thirty-five north, of range fourteen east, of the lands subject to sale at Jackson, Missouri.

Authorized to enter certain land in Missouri.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the lands hereby confirmed, together with the lands authorized to be entered, are intended to embrace the claims of Martin Fenwick, as reserved on the plats of the land-office at Jackson, Missouri, on the twenty-seventh day of January, eighteen hundred and twenty-four, deducting therefrom any part thereof that may have been sold by the United States prior to the passage of this act.

Said lands to embrace said Fenwick's claim.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall cause a patent to be issued to the said Martin Fenwick for the lands hereby confirmed: *Provided,* That such patent shall only operate as a relinquishment of title on the part of the United States, and shall not affect the rights of any third person.

Patent to issue.

To operate only as a relinquishment of title.

APPROVED, March 3, 1857.

CHAP. CXXXV.—*An Act for the Relief of Joseph Graham.*

March 3, 1857.

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 be and he is hereby directed to pay out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Joseph Graham, consul of the United States at Buenos Ayres, the sum of four thousand four hundred and seventy-nine dollars and sixty cents, for his services as acting charge d'affaires at Buenos Ayres, from the third day of August to the eleventh day of September, eighteen hundred and fifty-two; from the twenty-fifth day of November, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, to the twenty-sixth day of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-three; and from the thirty-first day

\$4,479.60 to be paid to Joseph Graham.