Loisel to land confirmed.

his legal representatives, be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their title to a certain tract of land ceded by Don Carlos Dehault Delassus, Spanish governor of Upper Louisiana, on the twenty-fifth day of March, anno Domini eighteen hundred, to Regis Loisel, situate in what was then known as Upper Louisiana, on the Missouri River, including Cedar Island, as the same was surveyed on the twentieth November, anno Domini eighteen hundred and five, by Antonio Soulard, surveyor-general for the Territory of Louisiana, according to the plat now on file in the archives of the Missouri district. But it is provided that if said tract of land, confirmed as aforesaid, or any part thereof, has been located by any other person or persons, under any law of the United States, or has been surveyed and sold by the United States, this act shall confer no title to such lands in opposition to the rights acquired by such location or purchase; but the said Loisel, or his legal representatives, shall be permitted to make a relocation on an equal amount of the public lands as may be taken by such location or purchase, that may be subject to entry at private sale, at a price not to exceed one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre; and the surveyor-general for the district of Missouri shall issue a certificate to authorize the same.

If said land is located by others, Loisel may relocate.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the location authorized by this act shall be entered with the register of the proper land-office, who shall, on application for that purpose, make out a certificate of such location as in other cases; and if it shall appear to the Commissioner of the General Land-Office that said certificate has been obtained according to the provisions of this act, then patents shall issue as in other cases: *And it is further provided*, That if it shall be found that said tract of land, confirmed as aforesaid, has not been located by any other person or persons, or has not been sold by the United States as aforesaid, that, in that case, a patent shall be issued for the same as in other cases.

Certificate of location and patent.

APPROVED, May 24, 1858.

May 24, 1858.

CHAP. LII.—*An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act granting a Pension to Ansel Wilkinson," approved August thirteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-six.*

1856, ch. 98.

Ante, p. 462.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the "act granting a pension to Ansel Wilkinson," approved August thirteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, be so amended that the word "Ansel" shall read *Asel* wherever the same occurs in the said act.

Former act amended.

APPROVED, May 24, 1858.

May 24, 1858.

CHAP. LIII.—*An Act to increase the Pension of John Richmond.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the two third pension heretofore allowed to John Richmond, of the State of Massachusetts, a private in the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, be, and the same is hereby, raised to a full pension.

John Richmond granted a full pension from Jan. 1, 1855.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the benefits accruing to the said John Richmond under and by virtue of this act shall commence January one, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, and continue for and during his natural life.

APPROVED, May 24, 1858.

May 24, 1858.

CHAP. LIV.—*An Act for the Relief of Pierre Gagnon, of Natchitoches, Louisiana.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Pierre Gagnon be allowed to enter and pay for his preëmption claim to the northeast and southeast fractional quarters of section number seven, in township number nine

Pierre Gagnon may enter and pay for his preemption claim.

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