Kaskaskias, Peorias, Piankeshaws, and Weas.

dollars, and to the confederate bands of Kaskaskias, Peorias, Piankeshaws, and Weas, the sum of one hundred and sixty-nine thousand six hundred and eighty-six dollars and seventy-five cents; which said amounts are for and in place of the same amounts heretofore invested by the government under treaty stipulations with said tribes in the bonds of the States of Missouri, Tennessee, and North Carolina, which were stolen while in the custody of Jacob Thompson, late Secretary of the Interior, in whose department they had been deposited for safe-keeping.

Sums held in trust, and interest to be paid thereon.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That said entries shall be and remain evidence that the United States holds the said several sums named in trust for said tribes respectively, and the treasurer of the United States is hereby authorized and directed to pay to said tribes, respectively, on requisitions by the Secretary of the Interior, interest on the sums credited as aforesaid, at the rate of five per centum per annum, in semi-annual payments, on the first days of January and July in each year, the first of said payments to be on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

Stolen bonds to belong to the United States.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all interest which said tribes may have had in said bonds, as aforesaid, is hereby terminated, and the same is vested in the United States; and any recovery, or reclamation of the same, or any part thereof, shall be for the use and benefit of the United States.

Appropriation for interest on bonds.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of fifty thousand and sixty-six dollars and sixty-four cents is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of interest to the tribes aforesaid on the sums invested in the bonds aforesaid, from the date of the last payment of interest on said bonds to the first day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, to wit: the sum of thirty-two thousand three hundred and seven dollars and ninety-one cents to said Delawares, five thousand and thirty-two dollars and twenty-three cents to said Iowas, and twelve thousand seven hundred and twenty-six dollars and fifty cents to the said confederate bands of Kaskaskias, Peorias, Piankeshaws, and Weas.

Act when to take effect, and as to what tribes.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall take effect and be in force only in relation to such of the tribes aforesaid as shall file with the Secretary of the Interior their assent, in writing, to so much thereof as relates to them respectively.

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CHAP. CLVII.—*An Act to provide for the quieting of certain Land Titles in the late disputed Territory in the State of Maine, and for other Purposes.*

Payments to be made for lost titles to land in Maine to Laura A. Stebbins, Catherine C. Ward, Rufus Mansur, James A. Drew.

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, authorized and required to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Laura A. Stebbins, of Bangor, in the State of Maine; Catherine C. Ward, of Roxbury, in the State of Massachusetts; Rufus Mansur, of Houlton, in the State of Maine; and James A. Drew, of Chelsea, in the State of Massachusetts, the sum of thirty-three hundred and fifty-three dollars each, being in all the sum of thirteen thousand four hundred and twenty-two dollars, in full compensation for three thousand three hundred and fifty-three acres of land, including the timber previously taken therefrom, in the half township in the State of Maine, granted by the State of Massachusetts to the late General Eaton, and called the "Eaton Grant," to which

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said parties lost title by the operation of the fourth article of the treaty of ninth August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, "to settle and define the boundary between the United States and the possessions of her Britannic Majesty in North America:" *Provided*, That the said Laura A. Stebbins, Catherine C. Ward, Rufus Mansur, and James A. Drew shall

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execute deeds of release to the parties holding "possessory" or "equitable possessory claims" to the said three thousand three hundred and fifty-three acres of land, or any portion thereof, as described in the reports made to the governor and council of Maine by Ebenezer Hutchinson and others, commissioners under a resolution passed by the legislature of said State on the twelfth day of April, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and the plan of surveys accompanying said reports, and of record in the land office of said State: *And provided, also*, That it shall appear to the satisfaction of the land agent of said State of Maine that such deeds of release do effectually convey a good title to said lands, except so far as said titles have been affected by the operation of the treaty aforesaid: *And provided further*, That if it shall appear to the said land agent that the aforesaid parties are incompetent to make such deeds of release to the whole of said lands, then they shall be entitled to receive a pro rata only of the compensation provided in this act for so much thereof as they shall convey as aforesaid.

Deeds of release to be executed,

and to convey good title.

If parties can convey only part, they are to receive only part.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to pay, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, to Edmund Monroe and Benjamin Sewall, of Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred and forty dollars, in the proportion of three-fourths thereof to the former and one-fourth to the latter, in full compensation for three thousand three hundred and eighty-five acres of land, including the timber previously taken therefrom, in the western half of "Plymouth township," so called, in the State of Maine, and the sum of six thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars to Rufus Mansur, of Houlton, Maine, and James A. Drew, of Chelsea, Massachusetts, in full compensation for sixteen hundred and ninety-two acres of land, including the timber previously taken therefrom, in the eastern half of said township, to which the said parties severally lost title by the operation of the fourth article of the aforesaid treaty: *Provided*, That the regulations, restrictions, and provisions contained in the provisos to the first section of this act shall be made, to all intents and purposes, applicable to this section.

Payments to Edmund Monroe,

Benjamin Sewall,

Rufus Mansur,

James A. Drew.

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SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, 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 Laura A. Stebbins, of Bangor, Maine, and Catherine C. Ward, of Dorchester, Massachusetts, the sum of six thousand six hundred and forty-seven [dollars]; and to Edmund Monroe and Benjamin Sewall, of the city of Boston, in Massachusetts, the sum of seven thousand six hundred and thirty-five dollars, in the proportion of three-fourths of the same to said Monroe, and one-fourth to said Sewall; and to James A. Drew, of Chelsea, Massachusetts, and Rufus Mansur, of Houlton, Maine, the sum of nine thousand three hundred and twenty-eight dollars; the said several sums being in full compensation, at the rate of one dollar per acre, for timber taken from lands owned by said parties, respectively, and located in the Eaton Grant and Plymouth township, (so-called,) in the State of Maine, and within the district recognized as the "disputed territory," and which timber was taken off and lost to the proprietors in consequence of the diplomatic arrangement entered into between the United States and Great Britain in eighteen hundred and thirty-two, by which both parties agreed to abstain from the exercise of jurisdiction in said territory: *Provided*, That the payments authorized and required by this act may be made, in whole or in part, at the option of the Secretary of the Treasury, in any of the bonds of the United States, bearing interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, which have been, or may hereafter be, authorized by law to be issued.

Payment to Laura A. Stebbins,

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