PRIVATE ACTS OF THE FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the First Session, which was begun and held at the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Thursday, the fourth day of March, A. D. 1869, *and was adjourned without day on Saturday, the tenth day of April, A. D.* 1869.

ULYSSES S. GRANT, President. SCHUYLER COLFAX, Vice-President and President of the Senate. HENRY B. ANTHONY was chosen President of the Senate, *pro tempore*, on the twenty-third day of March, A. D. 1869, and so acted until the twenty-ninth day of said March; was again chosen on the ninth day of April, A. D. 1869, and so acted until the end of the session. JAMES G. BLAINE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAP. IV. — *An Act to remove the Charge of Desertion from certain Soldiers of the Second North Carolina Mounted Infantry.* March 26, 1869.

Charge of desertion removed from certain soldiers of the second North Carolina mounted infantry. 1870, ch. 206. *Post*, p. 647.

WHEREAS it appears from the evidence of certain officers of the second North Carolina mounted infantry, the records of the War Department, and the official orders of Major-General Schofield, that certain soldiers were detached from the second North Carolina mounted infantry to join the third North Carolina mounted infantry to make a raid into the enemy's lines in June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, for the purpose of destroying railroad bridges and harassing the enemy, and while absent from their regiments upon such duty they were borne upon the rolls of the second North Carolina mounted infantry as deserters: Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to remove the charge of desertion or absence without leave from the following-named soldiers of the second North Carolina mounted infantry:

Company A: Joseph Thompson, Job Rice, A. J. Massey, John W. Bullman, James Arrowood, Kinsey Kensley, George West, William Hunter, Alfred Fox, Allen Fox.

Company B: Henry M. Revis, George M. Roberts, Jacob M. Revis, Adam F. Eller, Pinkney Fox, Robert L. Fox, Spencer Rice, Patterson Reece, Robert H. Pickens, Calvin Maney, Sheperd Deaver, Robert Sams, J. B. Gosnel, Peter M. Hughy, Alexander Beachboard, John S. West, Edward Sams, Jeremiah Buckner, Thomas D. Cole, James P. Arrowood, John B. Sage, James M. Cole, John H. Payne.

Company C: Lewis W. Ramsey, Samuel Rector, Manley Ball, Hiram Rice, John H. Wild, John Ramsey, George W. Freeman, Andrew J. Freeman, Robert Anderson, David Lunsford, Jacob H. Wild, John M. Wild, Jackson Paris, William D. Perry, George N. Stines, Job Ramsey, Jackson Ramsey, Abner Brooks, Lewis Paris, Benjamin F. Freeman, Seth Freeman, Jasper Brown, James Pain.

Company D: Leander Wright.

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Company E: John Stanton, Hackley Norton, Eliphas Shelton, Ezekiel Sams, James Norton, Samuel Gosnel, William Hensley, Peter McCoy, Simon P. Presnel, William Gentry, William Norton, Tilman Landers, William Shelton, Balis Norton, David Norton, Francis M. Franklin, George M. Gentry, James Gosnel, William J. McCoy, William Norton, junior, Jesse Norton, John E. Griffin, Andrew J. Banks, John H. Cook, William Shelton, junior, Thomas J. Candler, David Shelton, Robert H. Hare, Larkin Stanton, James Norton, junior, George W. Gentry.

Company F: James M. Case, John H. Drake, Joshua F. Case, William C. Lanning, Levi Cantrell, E. F. Case, William F. Case, John Cantrell, Wilie Gosnel, William H. Walker, Richard T. Drake, James J. Camp, Voltair V. C. Cantrell.

Company H: Ezekiel Kuykendoll, Daniel Gilbert.

APPROVED, March 26, 1869.

April 1, 1869.

CHAP. VI. — *An Act in Addition to an Act entitled "An Act to relieve from legal and political Disabilities certain Persons engaged in the late Rebellion," approved July twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.*

Legal, &c. disabilities imposed by the fourteenth amendment of the Constitution removed from persons named in act. 1868, ch. 284. Vol. xv. p. 403.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, (two thirds of each house concurring therein,) That all legal and political disabilities imposed by the fourteenth amendment of the Constitution of the United States by reason of participation in the late rebellion be, and they hereby are, removed from the persons named in an act approved July twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "An act to relieve from legal and political disabilities certain persons engaged in the late rebellion."

APPROVED, April 1, 1869.

April 1, 1869.

CHAP. VII. — *An Act for the Relief of Orlando Brown.*

Accounts of Orlando Brown to be settled.

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 the examination and settlement of the property and money accounts of Orlando Brown, late captain and assistant quartermaster United States army, to credit and allow him all expenditures of money and property made by him in good faith under the orders, or in conformity with orders, of his superior officers; and especially all expenditures of quartermasters' property made by him for the benefit of freedmen, under the orders of Major-General Benjamin F. Butler, in like manner as if the same had been regularly expended in the quartermasters' department.

APPROVED, April 1, 1869.

April 1, 1869.

CHAP. VIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Isabella C. Youngs, wife of Theophilus Youngs.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS letters patent were on the twentieth day of May, anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty-six, issued to James M. Miller for an "improvement in surface condensers for steam-engines," and whereas the supreme court of the District of Columbia, on the fourth day of January, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-six, ordered, adjudged, and decreed that all right, title, and interest of the said James M. Miller in and to the said invention and letters patent so granted unto him be, and the same are, by said decree, transferred to and vested in the said Isabella C. Youngs in as full, ample, and beneficial a manner, to all intents and purposes, as the same were then held or enjoyed by the said James M. Miller: Therefore,

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commissioner of patents, upon due application made to him by the said Isabella C.