extension had been filed at least ninety days prior to the expiration of said patent, and that the commissioner be authorized to consider and determine said application in the same manner as if it had been filed ninety days before the expiration of said patent: *Provided*, That in case said extension shall be granted, no person shall be held liable for damages for infringement of said patent or for sale or use of said improvement, between the date of the expiration of the original patent and the date of such extension.

Proviso.

Approved, April 6, 1870.

April 12, 1870.

CHAP. LI. — *An Act to remove political Disabilities from Francis E. Shober, of North Carolina.*

Political disabilities removed from Francis E. Shober, of North Carolina.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all legal and political disabilities imposed by the United States upon Francis E. Shober, of North Carolina, in consequence of his having held office under a pretended government or authority in hostility to the United States, be, and the same are hereby, removed. And the said Shober, on entering upon the discharge of the duties of any office to which he has been or may hereafter be elected or appointed, instead of the oath prescribed by the act of July two, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall take and subscribe the following oath: "I, Francis E. Shober, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter, so help me God."

Form of oath to be taken by him.
1862, ch. 128.
Vol. xii. p. 502.

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CHAP. LII. — *An Act for the Relief of Samuel F. Butterworth and Others.*

Samuel F. Butterworth and the heirs, &c. of Arnold Harris to be released from liability as sureties of William G. Kendall.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Samuel F. Butterworth, and the heirs and representatives of Arnold Harris, sureties of William G. Kendall, formerly deputy-postmaster of New Orleans, Louisiana, be, and they hereby are, released from all claim which the United States may have against them as such sureties; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to cause any judgment now or hereafter rendered, which affects said Butterworth, or said heirs and representatives of Arnold Harris, as sureties on the bond of said Kendall, to be cancelled and satisfied, of record; and any such judgment is hereby satisfied and discharged.

Judgments to be discharged.

Approved, April 12, 1870.

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CHAP. LIII. — *An Act to compensate Mrs. Fannie Kelly for important Services.*

Payment to Mrs. Fannie Kelly.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be paid to Mrs. Fannie Kelly, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of five thousand dollars, for valuable services rendered the government in eighteen hundred and sixty-four, by giving information to Captain James L. Fisk, in charge of a train crossing the plains, and to Major House, in command of Fort Sully, of the evil designs of hostile Sioux Indians while she was held in captivity by them; which sum shall be taken from any appropriation which may be hereafter made for the benefit of said Indians.

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