Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension roll, subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension laws, the name of Hannah Gray, widow of Thomas Gray, late a private in company F, eleventh regiment Tennessee cavalry, and the mother of three children under sixteen years of age dependent on her for support. Hannah Gray.

APPROVED, March 29, 1872.

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CHAP. LXXVI. — *An Act relating to the Capture of the Albemarle.* April 1, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the prize case of the rebel iron-clad man-of-war Albemarle shall be taken up and re-examined by the proper United States court, that the captors may obtain an appraisal such as is required by the prize laws of Congress. The prize case of the Albemarle to be re-examined, &c.

APPROVED, April 1, 1872.

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CHAP. LXXVII. — *An Act to pay William P. Preston the Sum therein mentioned.* April 1, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That there be paid out of the Treasury of the United States, to William P. Preston, the sum of fourteen hundred and thirty-seven dollars and ninety-three cents, the same being for his expenses in contesting the seat of J. M. Harris, of Maryland, in the thirty-sixth Congress. Payment to William P. Preston.

APPROVED, April 1, 1872.

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CHAP. LXXXIV. — *An Act granting a Pension to Margaret Nyce.* April 2, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension roll, subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension laws, the name of Margaret Nyce, mother of William Nyce, late a private in company "K," of the one hundredth Ohio volunteers, to take effect from the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy. Pension to Margaret Nyce.

APPROVED, April 2, 1872.

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CHAP. LXXXIX. — *An Act for the Relief of Thomas B. Valentine.* April 5, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the ninth circuit court of the United States, of California, be, and hereby is, authorized and required to hear and decide upon the merits, the claim of Thomas B. Valentine, claiming title, under a Mexican grant to Juan Miranda, to a place called the Rancho Arroyo de San Antonio, situate in the county of Sonoma, and State of California, in the same manner, and with the same jurisdiction, as if the claim to the said tract of land had been duly presented to the board of land commissioners under the provisions of the act entitled "An act to ascertain and settle the private land claims in the State of California," approved March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and an appeal had been duly taken from their decision to the district court of California, by the said Thomas B. Valentine. Claim of Thos. B. Valentine to certain land to be heard by the United States circuit court in California. 1851, ch. 41. Vol. ix. p. 631.

SEC. 2. That on the said hearing any testimony heretofore taken before the said board of commissioners, in relation to said claim on behalf of the said claimant, or of the United States, may be read, subject to all just exceptions to its competency; and additional testimony, on either part, may be taken, under the order and direction of said circuit court, as to the validity and extent of said claim. Testimony.

SEC. 3. That an appeal shall be taken from the final decision and decree of the said circuit court to the Supreme Court of the United States, by either party, in accordance with the provisions of the tenth section of said act of Appeal to be taken within six months from, &c.

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