estate collected by them which are a subsisting and valid security to said heirs and next of kin for the sum which shall be received by them under this act, then the sum to which said heirs and next of kin may be entitled under the provisions of this act may be paid to such administrators.

Approved, March 3, 1873.

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CHAP. CCCXLI. — *An Act for the Relief of Miles Greenwood.*

Claim of Miles Greenwood may be submitted to the court of claims;

basis of investigation;

compensation for alterations.

Certain payments to be deducted.

If changes saved expense, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the claim of Miles Greenwood, of Cincinnati, Ohio, for further compensation for the construction of the iron-clad monitor "Tippecanoe" may be submitted by said Greenwood, within six months after the passage of this act, to the court of claims, under and in compliance with the rules and regulations of said court; and said court shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine and render judgment upon the same: *Provided, however*, That the investigation of said claim shall be made upon the following basis: The said court shall ascertain the additional cost which was necessarily incurred by the contractor for building the iron-clad monitor "Tippecanoe," in the completion of the same, by reason of any changes or alterations in the plans and specifications required, and delays in the prosecution of the work, which were not provided for in the original contract; but no allowance for any advance in the price of labor or material shall be considered, unless such advance occurred during the prolonged term for completing the work rendered necessary by the delay resulting from the action of the government aforesaid, and then only when such advance could not have been avoided by the exercise of ordinary prudence and diligence on the part of the contractor: *And provided further*, That the compensation fixed by the contract between the contractor and the government for specific alterations shall be conclusive as to the compensation to be made therefor: *And provided further*, That all moneys paid to said contractor by the government over and above the original contract-price for the building of said vessel shall be deducted from any amounts allowed by said court, by reason of the matters hereinbefore stated: *And provided further*, That if any of such changes caused less work and expense to the contractor than the original plans and specifications, a corresponding reduction shall be made from the contract-price, and the amount thereof be deducted from any allowance to be made by said court to said claimant.

Approved, March 3, 1873.

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CHAP. CCCXLII. — *An Act for the Relief of Thomas E. Tutt & Co.*

Payment to Thomas E. Tutt & Co., assignees.

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 to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Thomas E. Tutt & Co., assignees of Smith & Vernon, the amount not exceeding two thousand seven hundred and ninety-five dollars and seventy-eight cents, deducted from the pay of the officers and men of the Osage regiment of Missouri volunteers, for goods furnished said regiment by said Smith & Vernon in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-one, on satisfactory proof of such supply and deduction.

Approved, March 3, 1873.

March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCCXLIII. — *An Act for the Relief of William Selden.*

Accounts of William Selden

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury of the United States be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to re-examine the accounts of William Selden, late marshal of

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