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CHAP. 82.—An act for the relief of William L. Nance. April 25, 1876.

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 directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand dollars, in full compensation for certain property of said William L. Nance, taken for the use of the Government of the United States during the late rebellion. Payment to William L. Nance.

MICHAEL C. KERR
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
T. W. FERRY
President of the Senate pro tempore

Received by the President April 13, 1876.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

CHAP. 87.—An act to enable Harvey Lull, of Hoboken, New Jersey, to make application to the Commissioner of Patents for extension of letters-patent for a self-locking shutter-hinge. April 29, 1876.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the petition of Harvey Lull, of Hoboken, New Jersey, for the extension of letters-patent for a self-locking shutter-hinge, granted January second, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, numbered ten thousand four hundred and seventy-seven, and extended by the Commissioner of Patents for seven years from the second day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, which term expired the second day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, be, and the same hereby is, referred to the Commissioner of Patents, with full power and authority to hear and determine the same upon the principles prescribed by the acts of Congress of July fourth, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, and the amendments thereof governing and granting extensions; and if, after hearing the said petition, upon due notice to the public, according to the practice of the Patent-Office in cases of extension, the said Commissioner should decide that the said petition ought to be granted, he is hereby authorized and empowered to extend said letters-patent to the said Harvey Lull for seven years from and after the passage of this act: *Provided*, That no damages shall be collected of any person for an infringement of said patent between the time of the expiration of said patent and the time of the renewal of the same. Patent to Harvey Lull may be extended. 1836, ch. 357, 5 Stat., 117. Proviso.

Approved, April 29, 1876.

CHAP. 92.—An act to remove the political disabilities of James E. Slaughter, of Alabama. May 8, 1876.

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 the political disabilities imposed by the fourteenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States be, and they are hereby, removed from James E. Slaughter, of Alabama. Political disabilities of James E. Slaughter.

Approved, May 8, 1876.