

CHAP. 46.—An act for the relief of Somerville Nicholson.

Feb. 15, 1881.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President of the United States be, and is hereby, authorized to restore Somerville Nicholson, now a captain on the retired list of the Navy, to the active list, to take rank next after Clark H. Welles: *Provided*, That no claim for arrearages of pay shall accrue to said Nicholson by reason of restoration under the provisions of this act.

Somerville Nicholson.

*Proviso.*

Approved, February 15, 1881.

CHAP. 47.—An act to restore the lands included in the Fort Reading and Fort Crook military reservations, in the State of California, to the public domain, and for other purposes.

Feb. 15, 1881.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the lands included in the Fort Reading military reservation and in the Fort Crook military reservation in the State of California, are hereby restored to the public domain.

Lands, Fort Reading and Fort Crook military reservations, restored to public domain.

SEC. 2. That all patents heretofore issued to any lands within the Fort Reading military reservation and Fort Crook military reservation are hereby confirmed.

Patents confirmed.

SEC. 3. That the rights of all settlers on said reservations, to acquire title under the homestead and pre-emption laws, are hereby recognized and affirmed to the extent such settlers would have acquired by settling on public lands.

Rights of settlers preserved.

Approved, February 15, 1881.

CHAP. 60.—An act to amend and re-enact sections twenty-five hundred and seventeen and twenty-five hundred and eighteen of the Revised Statutes and changing the boundaries of a customs district in the State of Maine.

Feb. 17, 1881.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section twenty-five hundred and seventeen of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended by inserting after the word "sixty-nine," in the third line of the first clause of said section, the following words:

R. S. 2517, 2518, amended and re-enacted.

"Excepting those towns, plantations, and townships lying on the line of the European and North American Railway," so that said clause, as amended, shall read as follows:

"First. The district of Aroostook, to comprise the county of Aroostook as bounded on the twenty-second day of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, excepting those towns, plantations, and townships lying on the line of the European and North American Railway, in which Houlton shall be the only port of entry."

Customs district of Aroostook.

Also, that said section twenty-five hundred and seventeen be further amended by inserting after the word "forty-seven," in the fourth line of the sixth clause thereof the following words: "And the several towns, plantations, and townships in the counties of Aroostook and Washington lying on the line of the European and North American Railway," so that said clause, as amended, shall read as follows:

"Sixth. The district of Bangor, to comprise the counties of Penobscot and Piscataquis and the town of Frankfort, in the county of Waldo, as bounded on the third day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, and the several towns, plantations, and townships in the counties of Aroostook and Washington lying on the line of the European and North American Railway, in which Bangor shall be the port of entry and delivery, and Frankfort and Hampden ports of delivery."

Customs district of Bangor.