

CHAP. 11.—An act for the relief of Thomas Langton, of Dundee, Michigan.

Jan. 23, 1880.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That fifty-two acres of the southeast fractional quarter of the northeast fractional quarter of section twenty-three in township six south, of range six east, in the county of Monroe, State of Michigan, belonging to Thomas Langton be discharged of and from all lien, claim, or title, on the part of the United States thereon and thereto, under and by virtue of the levy of a succession tax upon the estate of Alfred Potter, deceased, and the sale of the above described land to the United States for said tax: *Provided,* That one-fourth of the amount of the tax assessed against said land upon the non-payment of which said land was sold, and interest thereon at six per centum per annum from the day of the sale, be paid into the Treasury of the United States within ninety days from the passage of this act.

Thomas Langton relieved from lien of U. S. upon certain land.

Proviso.

Approved, January 23, 1880.

CHAP. 15.—An act to authorize the assistant treasurer of the United States at New York to waive enforcement of section thirty-four hundred and seventy-seven of the Revised Statutes so far as the same affects certain drafts upon him now held by the Masonic Bank of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Jan. 24, 1880.

Whereas, on the seventh day of October, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, A. B. Carey, paymaster United States Army, did issue his checks upon the United States assistant treasurer at New York, one for eighty-eight dollars and three cents and one for eighty-eight dollars and fifty-three cents, payable to the order of Jefferson McIlwaine; and

Preamble.

Whereas, the said Jefferson McIlwaine did, on the twenty-ninth day of September, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, execute his power of attorney to Hugh McIlwaine, empowering him, the said Hugh McIlwaine, to indorse any checks or drafts issued by the government made payable to the order of him, the said Jefferson McIlwaine; and

Whereas, the Masonic Bank of Pittsburgh did, upon an indorsement of the said checks by the said Hugh McIlwaine, purchase and pay for the same; and

Whereas the Treasury of the United States refuses to redeem said checks because the power of attorney to indorse the same was executed before the checks were issued, instead of after their said issue, as required by law; and

Whereas, the person to whose order said checks were issued cannot now be found by the said Masonic Bank: Now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the assistant treasurer of the United States at New York be, and he is hereby, authorized to waive, in this particular case only, so much of the provisions of section thirty-four hundred and seventy-seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States as requires powers of attorney to be dated subsequent to the issue of checks, and that the certificate of acknowledgment of powers of attorney shall show that the officer taking the acknowledgment, at the time thereof read and fully explained the power of attorney to the person acknowledging the same, and to pay said checks as at present indorsed to the said Masonic Bank of Pittsburgh.

Assistant treasurer at New York to waive R. S. 3477 for relief of the Masonic Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Approved, January 24, 1880.

CHAP. 20.—An act for the relief of Thomas Kearney.

Feb. 7, 1880.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting-officers of the Treasury, in settling the accounts of Thomas Kearney, late collector for the district of Corpus Christi, in Texas, credit and allow him the sums of twelve thousand four hundred and seventy dollars and fifty

Thomas Kearney. Relief.