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CHAP. 425.—An Act For the relief of Edward Rice.

Edward Rice. Payment of lost bonds.

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 is hereby authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Edward Rice, of Denver, in the State of Colorado, formerly of Worcester, in the State of Massachusetts, the sum of two thousand seven hundred dollars, in full for the following coupon bonds issued under the Act of March third, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-five, known as consols of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, namely: Numbers one hundred and four thousand five hundred and sixty-eight and one hundred and four thousand five hundred and sixty-nine, of one hundred dollars each; numbers sixty-one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, sixty-one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and sixty-one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, of five hundred dollars each; and number one hundred and one thousand three hundred and two, of one thousand dollars, and, in addition thereto, the interest maturing on said bonds after July first, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, to the date when said bonds ceased to bear interest: *Provided*, That said Edward Rice shall first give bond, with sureties to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury, in a sum double the amount of said bonds, conditioned to secure the United States harmless against said bonds and coupons, said bonds having been lost by said Edward Rice on the nineteenth day of July, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.

Proviso. Indemnity bond.

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CHAP. 426.—An Act For the relief of William H. Scofield, Jacob Brady, James Ketcham, Annie Booth, as administratrix of the goods, chattels, and credits of George W. Booth, deceased; Wilson P. Billar, Ezra L. Waterhouse, Moses C. Bell, George W. Byles, and George A. Scofield.

Neil Hepburn. Sureties on bond, released.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That William H. Scofield, Jacob Brady, James Ketcham, Annie Booth, as administratrix of the goods, chattels, and credits of George W. Booth, deceased; Wilson P. Billar, Ezra L. Waterhouse, Moses C. Bell, George W. Byles, and George A. Scofield be, and they are hereby, released from any liability as sureties on the bond of Neil Hepburn, by reason of the defalcation of Neil Hepburn, as late postmaster at City Island, New York. And the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue as against said William H. Scofield, Jacob Brady, James Ketcham, Annie Booth, as administratrix of the goods, chattels, and credits of George W. Booth, deceased; Wilson P. Billar, Ezra L. Waterhouse, Moses C. Bell, George W. Byles, and George A. Scofield any action that may have been instituted against them to enforce such liability, and to cause to be satisfied of record any judgment that may have been entered against said sureties in any such action: *Provided, however*, That the provisions hereof shall apply only to the bond covering amounts accrued subsequent to September thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-three.

Proviso. Limitation.

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CHAP. 427.—An Act For the relief of Captain James Regan, United States Army.

James Regan. Credit in accounts.

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 are hereby authorized and directed to credit the account of Captain James Regan, Ninth United States Infantry, as first lieutenant and regimental quartermaster of said regiment, for a shortage of subsistence stores at Fort D. A. Russell, occasioned by