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CHAP. 248.—An Act Granting pensions to Gray's Battalion of Arkansas Volunteers. February 17, 1897.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension roll the names of all of the honorably discharged surviving officers and enlisted men of Gray's Battalion of Arkansas Volunteers, raised under the Act of Congress of May thirteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-six, for service during the war with Mexico; and the names of surviving widows of such officers and enlisted men, subject to the limitations and regulations of the pension laws of the United States for pensioning the survivors of the war with Mexico.

Gray's Battalion, Arkansas Volunteers. Survivors placed on Mexican War pension roll. Vol. 9, p. 9.

Widows. Vol. 24, p. 371.

Received by the President, February 5, 1897.

[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. 249.—An Act For the relief of Barzilla C. Hudson. February 17, 1897.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, authorized to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of Barzilla C. Hudson, late of Battery D, Fourth United States Artillery, and grant him an honorable discharge to date May twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and sixty-five: *Provided*, That no pay, bounty, or other allowance shall become due or payable by virtue of this Act.

Barzilla C. Hudson. Granted honorable discharge.

Proviso. No pay, etc.

Received by the President, February 5, 1897.

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CHAP. 252.—An Act Granting an increase of pension to Samuel C. Towne. February 18, 1897.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension roll, subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension laws, the name of Samuel C. Towne, late of Company G, Ninth Regiment New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry, and pay him a pension at the rate of thirty dollars per month, in lieu of that he is now receiving.

Samuel C. Towne. Pension increased.

Received by the President, February 6, 1897.

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