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February 22, 1897.

CHAP. 286.—An Act Granting an increase of pension to Lemuel J. Essex.

Lemuel J. Essex. Pension increased.

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 rolls the name of Lemuel J. Essex, late of Company B, Eighty-seventh Indiana Infantry, at the rate of twenty-four dollars per month, in lieu of the pension that he is now receiving.

Received by the President, February 10, 1897.

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February 22, 1897.

CHAP. 287.—An Act Granting a pension to George B. Merchant.

George B. Merchant. Pension increased.

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 upon the pension roll, George B. Merchant, late sergeant Company K, Fourth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and pay him a pension of seventy-two dollars per month in lieu of the pension he is now receiving.

Received by the President, February 10, 1897.

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February 22, 1897.

CHAP. 288.—An Act To increase the pension of Mrs. Virginia E. Turtle, of the District of Columbia.

Virginia E. Turtle. Pension increased.

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 Mrs. Virginia E. Turtle, of Washington, District of Columbia, widow of Major Thomas Turtle, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, and pay her a pension of forty dollars per month, the same to be in lieu of the pension now drawn by her.

Received by the President, February 10, 1897.

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