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poration by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and fifty-six dollars and eighty-nine cents, said assessment having been placed against said corporation on account of the accidental destruction by fire of ten barrels of spirits, commonly called grape brandy, while being transported by rail from fruit distillery numbered one hundred and eight, located at Asti, California, to winery numbered one hundred and nine, located near Madera, California, and before said spirits could be used in said winery for fortifying pure sweet wine. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the said assessment without the payment of the aforesaid tax or any part or portion thereof.

Effect.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall take effect immediately after its passage and approval.

Approved, February 2, 1905.

CHAP. 300.—An Act For the relief of W. R. Akers, of Alliance, Nebraska.

February 4, 1905.
[H. R. 3950.]

[Private, No. 258.]

W. R. Akers.
Payment to.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the Treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized to pay, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, to W. R. Akers the sum of seventy-nine dollars and fifty cents, to reimburse and satisfy him for that amount paid by him for the Government to W. G. Buehner for his salary as contest clerk in the United States land office at Alliance, Nebraska, for salary for a one-quarter service in the year nineteen hundred and two.

Approved, February 4, 1905.

CHAP. 301.—An Act Granting an increase of pension to Washington I. Cook.

February 4, 1905.
[H. R. 130.]

[Private, No. 259.]

Washington I. Cook.
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 Washington I. Cook, late of Company I, Tenth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Infantry, and Company K, One hundred and ninety-first Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and pay him a pension at the rate of twenty-four dollars per month in lieu of that he is now receiving.

Approved, February 4, 1905.

CHAP. 302.—An Act Granting an increase of pension to James P. Griffith.

February 4, 1905.
[H. R. 132.]

[Private, No. 260.]

James P. Griffith.
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 James P. Griffith, late of Company F, Ninety-seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and pay him a pension at the rate of twenty-four dollars per month in lieu of that he is now receiving.

Approved, February 4, 1905.