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CHAP. 1316.—An Act To indemnify G. W. Hardy and Joseph Lard, of Scott County, Mississippi, for homestead land by granting other lands in lieu thereof.

March 2, 1905.
[S. 5245.]
[Private, No. 1182.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted to G. W. Hardy and Joseph Lard, Scott County, Mississippi, each eighty acres of the unreserved public land of the United States in the State of Mississippi, such as they shall, respectively, select and notify to the Secretary of the Interior, in subdivisions not less than forty acres, the same to be in lieu of land held by them but awarded by the General Land Office to the Alabama and Vicksburg Railroad Company.

G. W. Hardy and Joseph Lard.
Grant of lands in Mississippi to, in lieu of homestead lands.

SEC. 2. That such selection shall not be made of any land lawfully held by any other person at the time of such selection as a homestead entry, or to which any other person shall have at such time any lawful claim.

Prior rights not affected.

SEC. 3. That immediately upon the notification to the Secretary of the Interior it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to immediately issue patent or patents, as the case may be, to said G. W. Hardy and Joseph Lard, respectively, for the lands so selected and notified.

Patents.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Effect.

Approved, March 2, 1905.

CHAP. 1317.—An Act For the relief of Lieutenant D. W. Blamer, United States Navy.

March 2, 1905.
[H. R. 18527.]
[Private, No. 1183.]

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to issue to Lieutenant D. W. Blamer, United States Navy, duplicates in lieu of United States three per centum coupon bonds, loan of nineteen hundred and eight to nineteen hundred and eighteen, numbered seventeen thousand three hundred and seven, seventeen thousand three hundred and eight, and seventeen thousand three hundred and nine, for twenty dollars each, and twenty-three thousand two hundred and fifty-six and twenty-three thousand two hundred and fifty-seven, for one hundred dollars each, with interest coupons attached dated November first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and subsequently, said bonds and coupons having been lost and destroyed through the wreck of the United States Steamer Charleston on November second, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine: *Provided*, That the said D. W. Blamer shall first file in the Treasury a bond in the penal sum of double the amount of the principal of said bonds and the interest that would accrue thereon until the same should become due and payable, with good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, with condition to indemnify and save harmless the United States from any claim on account of the said bonds and interest coupons.

D. W. Blamer.
Duplicate bonds issued to.

Proviso.
Penal bond.

Approved, March 2, 1905.

CHAP. 1318.—An Act For the relief of Bert E. Barnes.

March 2, 1905.
[H. R. 19036.]
[Private, No. 1184.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is authorized to amend the record of Bert E. Barnes so as to show him honorably discharged from Company D, Fifty-first Iowa Infantry, for disability contracted in line of duty.

Bert E. Barnes.
Granted honorable discharge.

Approved, March 2, 1905.