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created. The Commission shall have the power, through subcommittee or otherwise, to examine witnesses and to make such investigations and examinations, in this or other countries, of the subjects committed to their charge as they shall deem necessary. Powers.

SEC. 19. That a sum sufficient to carry out the purposes of sections seventeen and eighteen of this Act, and to pay the necessary expenses of the Commission and its members, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Said appropriation shall be immediately available and shall be paid out on the audit and order of the chairman or acting chairman of said Commission, which audit and order shall be conclusive and binding upon all Departments as to the correctness of the accounts of such Commission. Appropriation. Immediately available. Accounts.

SEC. 20. That this Act shall expire by limitation on the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and fourteen. Termination of act.

Approved, May 30, 1908.

CHAP. 230.—An Act Pensioning the surviving officers and enlisted men of the Texas volunteers employed in the defense of the frontier of that State against Mexican marauders and Indian depredations from eighteen hundred and fifty-five to eighteen hundred and sixty, inclusive, and for other purposes. May 30, 1908. [S. 5581.] [Public, No. 170.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions, limitations, and benefits of an Act entitled "An Act granting pensions to survivors of the Indian wars of eighteen hundred and thirty-two to eighteen hundred and forty-two, inclusive, known as the Black Hawk war, Creek war, Cherokee disturbances, and the Seminole war," approved July twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, be, and the same are hereby, extended from the date of the passage of this Act to the surviving officers and enlisted men of the Texas volunteers who served in the defense of the frontier of that State against Mexican marauders and Indian depredations from the year eighteen hundred and fifty-five to the year eighteen hundred and sixty, inclusive; and also to include the surviving widows of such of said officers and enlisted men: *Provided*, That such widows have not remarried: *Provided further*, That where there is no record of enlistment or muster into the service of the United States in the service mentioned in this Act the fact of reimbursement to Texas by the United States, as evidenced by the muster rolls and vouchers on file in the War Department, shall be accepted as full and satisfactory proof of such enlistment and service: *And provided further*, That all contracts heretofore made between the beneficiaries under this Act and pension attorneys and claim agents are hereby declared null and void. Indian wars. Pensions for service in, extended to Texas volunteers, etc. Vol. 27, p. 281. Surviving widows included. *Provisos.* Restriction. Proofs. Contracts with attorneys, etc., void.

Approved, May 30, 1908.

CHAP. 231.—An Act Authorizing certain life-saving apparatus to be placed at the Farallone Islands, off the coast of California. May 30, 1908. [S. 5983.] [Public, No. 171.]

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 to cause a Lyle gun and the necessary beach apparatus used in connection with it to be placed at the Farallone Islands, off the coast of California, at such point as the General Superintendent of the Life-Saving Service may recommend, and to furnish ammunition for said gun and make repairs to the apparatus from time to time as necessary. Life-Saving Service. Lyle gun, etc., to be placed at Farallone Islands, Cal.