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Anna C. Parrett, dependent mother of Ralph G. Dusell, who lost his life by accidental drowning on July thirteenth, nineteen hundred and fifteen, while in the employ of the Biological Survey, the sum of $900, the same being the amount of the annual salary which the said Ralph G. Dusell was receiving from the department at the time of his death, and the sum of $900 is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved, February 9, 1917.

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February 9, 1917.
[H. R. 11745.]

**CHAP. 51.**—An Act For the relief of S. E. Bennett.

[Private, No. 176.]
S. E. Bennett.
Reimbursement to.

*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 to pay, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $133.60 to S. E. Bennett, veterinary inspector, to reimburse him for expenditures made by him under the direction of the chief clerk of the Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture.

Approved, February 9, 1917.

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February 12, 1917.
[H. R. 7763.]

**CHAP. 52.**—An Act For the relief of Stephen J. Simpson.

[Private, No. 177.]
Stephen J. Simpson.
Military record corrected.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in the administration of any laws conferring rights, privileges, and benefits upon honorably discharged soldiers Stephen J. Simpson, late of Company F, Thirty-first Illinois Volunteer Infantry, shall hereafter be held and considered to have been discharged honorably from the military service of the United States as a member of said company and regiment on the nineteenth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-five:

*Proviso.*
No pay, etc.

*Provided*, That no bounty, pay, or allowance shall accrue by virtue of the passage of this Act.

Approved, February 12, 1917.

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February 14, 1917.
[S. 3681.]

**CHAP. 65.**—An Act For the relief of the owners of the steamship Esparta.

[Private, No. 178.]
"Esparta," steamship.
Claim of owners of, may be brought in district court.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the claim of the owners of the British steamship Esparta against the United States for damages sustained by them in and on account of the collision between their said vessel and the United States lighthouse tender Magnolia on October twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred and five, in the Passes of the Mississippi River, below New Orleans, be referred to the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Louisiana, with jurisdiction and authority to determine the liability of the United States therefor, and, if found liable, to render judgment against the United States for any damages sustained by the owners of said steamship Esparta.

Jurisdiction, etc.

Approved, February 14, 1917.

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February 14, 1917.
[H. R. 1358.]

**CHAP. 66.**—An Act For the relief of Everett H. Corson.

[Private, No. 179.]
Everett H. Corson.
Payment to, for injuries.

*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 pay to