Act of July 6, 1812, ch. 137.

Act of April 16, 1818, ch. 64.

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authorizes the President to confer brevet rank on such officers of the army or of the marine corps, as shall have served ten years in any one grade, shall be, and the same hereby is, repealed; and so much of the second section of an act passed the sixteenth of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, entitled "An act regulating the pay and emoluments of brevet officers," as may be applicable to the clause herein above repealed, shall be, and the same hereby is, also repealed: *Provided*, Nothing herein shall affect any right already acquired by ten years' expired service to brevet rank.

Conflicting acts repealed.

Sec. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Approved, June 30, 1834.

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Chap. CXXXIII.—*An Act to increase and regulate the pay of the surgeons and assistant surgeons of the army.*

Appointment of surgeons and assistants.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That from and after the passing of this act, no person shall receive the appointment of assistant surgeon in the army of the United States, unless he shall have been examined and approved by an army medical board, to consist of not less than three surgeons or assistant surgeons, who shall be designated for that purpose by the Secretary of War; and no person shall receive the appointment of surgeon in the army of the United States, unless he shall have served at least five years as an assistant surgeon, and unless, also, he shall have been examined by an army medical board constituted as aforesaid.

Pay and emoluments.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the surgeons in the army of the United States shall be entitled to receive the pay and emoluments of a major; and the assistant surgeons, who shall have served five years, shall be entitled to receive the pay and emoluments of a captain; and those who shall have served less than five years, the pay and emoluments of a first lieutenant; and that said assistant surgeons shall be entitled to receive the same allowance for forage as they are at present entitled to.

Increase of rations after ten years' service.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That every surgeon and assistant surgeon, who shall have served faithfully ten years in these grades, respectively, shall be entitled to receive an increase of rations, per day, equal to the number of rations to which he may be entitled under this act.

Approved, June 30, 1834.

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June 30, 1834.

Chap. CXXXIV.—*An Act concerning naval pensions, and the navy pension fund.*

Act of June 28, 1832, ch. 151, prolonged for five years.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all the provisions and benefits of the act of the twenty-eighth of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, entitled "An act further to extend the pension heretofore granted to the widows of persons killed, or who died in the naval service," be continued for another term of five years to all those widows who have heretofore had the benefit of the same, and the same are hereby also extended to the widows of officers, seamen and marines, who have died in the naval service since the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, or who may die in said service, by reason of disease contracted, or of casualties by drowning or otherwise, or of injuries received while in the line of their duty, and the pensions of such widows shall commence from the passage of this act: *Provided*, That every pension hereby granted shall cease on the death or marriage of such widow.

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