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1842, ch. 189.

CHAP. XXXVIII.—*An Act for the more equitable administration of the Navy Pension Fund.*"(a)

Half-pay to widows and children of officers, seamen, and marines, to commence from the time of death of such officer, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if any officer, seaman or marine have died, or may hereafter die, in the naval service, leaving a widow, and, if no widow, a child or children, such widow, and, if no widow, such child or children, shall be entitled to receive half the monthly pay to which the deceased would have been entitled, under the acts regulating the pay of the navy, in force on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, to commence from the time of the death of such officer, seaman, or marine; but in case of the death or intermarriage of such widow, the half-pay shall go to the child or children of such deceased officer, seaman, or marine, *Provided*, That the half-pay granted to the child or children shall cease on their death, or on their attaining the age of twenty-one years.

Pensions for wounds, &c. to commence from the time of the officer, &c., being disabled.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the pensions which may have been granted, or which may hereafter be granted, to officers, seamen, and marines, in the naval service, disabled by wounds or injuries received while in the line of their duty, shall be considered to commence from the time of their being so disabled, and that the amount of pension to which said officers, seamen, and marines, may be entitled, shall be regulated according to the pay of the navy as it existed on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five.

Acts repealed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts, and parts of acts, which may be inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed, so far as they may relate hereto.

APPROVED, March 3, 1837.

Statute II.
March 3, 1837.
1838, ch. 13.
1842, ch. 187.

CHAP. XXXIX.—*An Act for the appointment of commissioners to adjust the claims to reservations of land under the fourteenth article of the treaty of eighteen hundred and thirty with the Choctaw Indians.*

Three commissioners to be appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate; their duties.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, three commissioners whose duty it shall be to meet in the State of Mississippi at such time and place, as the President shall appoint and designate, and there proceed to ascertain the name of every Choctaw Indian who was the head of an Indian family at the date of the treaty at Dancing Rabbit Creek, who has not already obtained a reservation under said treaty, and who can show by satisfactory evidence, that he or she complied or offered to comply with all the requisites of the fourteenth article of said treaty, to entitle him or her, to a reservation under said article; and also the number and names of all the unmarried children of such heads of families, who formed a part of the family and were over ten years of age, and likewise the number and names of the children of such heads of families as were under ten years of age, and report to the President, to be, by him, laid before Congress, all the names of such Indians, and the different sections of land to which such heads of families were respectively entitled, together with the opinions of the commissioners, and whether any part of said lands have been sold by the Government, and the proofs applicable to each case.

Commissioners to take an oath, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That before entering upon their duties, each of said commissioners shall, before some judge or justice of the peace, take an oath faithfully to discharge the duties imposed by this act.

(a) See an act for the regulation of the Navy and Privateer pensions and Navy Hospital fund. July 10, 1832, chap. 194.

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