terms and under such regulations and orders as well for the custody and appearance of the prisoner or prisoners as for sending up to the appellate tribunal a transcript of the petition, writ of habeas corpus returned thereto, and other proceedings, as the judge hearing the said cause may prescribe; and pending such proceedings or appeal, and until final judgment be rendered therein, and after final judgment of discharge in the same, any proceeding against said prisoner or prisoners, in any State court, or by or under the authority of any State, for any matter or thing so heard and determined, or in process of being heard and determined, under and by virtue of such writ of habeas corpus, shall be deemed null and void.

Until final judgment, and after discharge, proceedings in State courts null and void.

Approved, August 29, 1842.

Statute II.

Aug. 29, 1842.

Chap. CCLVIII.—*An Act in relation to lands sold in the Greensburgh, late St. Helena, land district, in the State of Louisiana, and authorizing the resurvey of certain lands in said district.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where lands shall have been entered at the land office in the Greensburgh, late St. Helena, land district, in the State of Louisiana, where the United States cannot issue patents therefor, owing to the errors and imperfections of the public surveys, or to conflicting claims, it shall be lawful for the person having made such entries, or his or her heirs or legal representatives, or grantees, or their heirs or legal representatives, who may [be] legally and equitably entitled to the same, after a demand of the patent, and a refusal to issue the same, to surrender his or her certificate of purchase to the Secretary of the Treasury to be cancelled; and, upon such surrender, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to refund, without interest, the purchase-money for said lands to the person entitled to receive the same, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

In cases where the U. S. cannot issue patents, the certificates of purchase may be surrendered to be cancelled.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the President of the United States, if he shall deem it expedient, to cause a resurvey of all or any part of the lands lying in said district remaining unsold, or the certificates for which may be surrendered in virtue of this or any other act of Congress, thereby correcting the surveys, and designating the lands covered by private claims under Spanish or French grants; and so soon as said resurveys shall have been returned and confirmed by the Secretary of the Treasury, the unreserved public lands therein specified shall be subject to the laws for the disposal of the public lands, and patents therefor shall issue as in other cases: *Provided*, That purchasers aforesaid may retain their certificates of purchase, and the surveys of said tracts shall be corrected, and when said surveys are corrected, may receive their patents from the United States for the land so purchased by them.

President may cause a resurvey of the unsold lands, &c.

Proviso.

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Statute II.

Aug. 29, 1842.

Chap. CCLIX.—*An Act to provide for the settlement of certain accounts for the support of Government in the Territory of Wisconsin, and for other purposes.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be directed to audit and settle the accounts for the expenses of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Wisconsin, including the printing of the laws and other incidental expenses which have not heretofore been closed and settled at the Treasury Department; but no allowance shall be made for extra compensation to any member of the Legislative Assembly of said Ter-

Accounts of the Legislative Assembly to be settled.

No extra compensation to any member, except the presiding officer, &c.

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