For materials and work for bulkhead frames and doors and windows in the cellar of the Capitol, two hundred and twenty-one dollars. Capitol.

For marble basin at the fountain on the terrace of the Capitol, one hundred and twenty dollars. Fountain.

For pay of James Kelly, amount allowed him by the commissioners under the resolution of Congress, fifty dollars and forty-four cents. J. Kelly.

For preparing and publishing charts, and otherwise carrying into effect the act of August twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, for publishing an account of the discoveries of the exploring expedition, under the supervision and direction of the Joint Committee on the Library, twenty thousand dollars. Charts of the exploring expedition. 1842, ch. 204.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That in case the sum appropriated for any object of contingencies, should be found more than sufficient to meet the expense thereby contemplated, the surplus may be applied under the direction of the head of the proper department, to supply the deficiency of any other item in the same department or office: *Provided*, That the expenditure for newspapers and periodicals shall not exceed the amount specifically appropriated to that object by this act, except in the State Department. Application of surplus appropriations. Proviso.

APPROVED, March 3, 1843.

STATUTE III.
March 3, 1843.

CHAP. CI.—*An Act for the relief of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, in the Territory of Wiskonsan.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the township of land, containing twenty-three thousand and forty acres, (or whatever quantity now remains to them,) lying on the east side of Winnebago lake, in the Territory of Wisconsin, which, by the proviso of a treaty made with the Menomonie Indians on the seventeenth day of February, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-one, and ratified on the ninth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, was reserved for the use of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, and which, by a subsequent treaty with the Menomonie tribe, bearing date twenty-seventh October, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and ratified thirteenth March, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, was further secured to the said Stockbridge tribe of Indians, may be partitioned and divided among the different individuals composing said tribe of Stockbridge Indians, and may be held by them, separately and severally, in fee simple, after such division shall have been made in the manner hereinafter mentioned. Land reserved for Stockbridge Indians may be divided.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That, for the purpose of making partition and division of said lands among the individuals of said tribe of Stockbridge Indians, a board of commissioners shall be constituted, to consist of five of the principal or head men of said tribe, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business, whose duty it shall be to make a just and fair partition and division of said lands among the members of said tribe, or among such of them as, by the laws and customs and regulations of said tribe, are entitled to the same, and in such proportions and in such manner as shall be consistent with equity and justice, and in accordance with the existing laws, customs, usages, or agreements of said tribe. Board of commissioners to make the division, how constituted.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That, for the purpose of electing or choosing said board of commissioners, a meeting of said tribe shall be held at their church or principal public place, on the reservation of land aforesaid, on the first Monday in April, eighteen hundred and forty-three, at which all the male members of said tribe, over the age of twenty-one years, shall be allowed to vote for such commissioners; and the said five commissioners shall then and there be elected or chosen by the said tribe, by a majority of the whole number of such voters then Manner of electing the commissioners.

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present. And the judge of the district in which said lands are situated (or, in his absence, the register of the land office at Green Bay, or the commanding officer of the United States troops at Fort Howard) shall attend at the time and place aforesaid, and preside at said meeting, superintend the said election, and see that the proceedings are fairly conducted. And the said presiding officer may, in his discretion, prescribe whether the said election shall be by ballot or viva voce, and shall, in other respects, cause the proceedings to be conducted in such a manner as to ensure a fair and proper choice or election; and after the said commissioners shall have been so chosen or elected, the said presiding officer shall immediately certify that fact, setting forth the names of the commissioners who shall be elected, and shall make two copies of said certificate, one of which he shall file in the office of the register of the land district at Green Bay, and the other he shall transmit by mail to the President of the United States.

How the division shall be made.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That after the said commissioner shall have been elected or chosen as above prescribed, and as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, they shall proceed to make partition and division of all the lands aforesaid, among the individual members of said tribe, or among such of them as, by the laws, customs, usages, or agreements of said tribe, are justly entitled to the same, and in such way and manner, and upon such principles, and in such proportions, as shall be agreeable to equity and justice, and consistent with the laws, usages, customs, and agreements of said tribe: *Provided, however*, That the buildings and improvements, and the farms on which the same are situated, which are now held or possessed in severalty by the members of said tribe, shall, so far as the same can consistently be done, be allotted or apportioned to the present occupants; and that no person or individual of said tribe shall be dispossessed or deprived of the improvements or land which they now occupy, unless it shall be found by the said commissioners that such person or persons are in possession of and occupying more land than they are justly entitled to, and then the overplus may be apportioned to others.

Proviso.

Commiss'rs to make a report of their proceedings, with a map.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That after the said commissioners shall have made such partition and division as aforesaid, they shall make, or cause to be made, a full report of their proceedings in the premises, setting forth the name of each person to whom they have apportioned any part of said land, the quantity apportioned or allotted to each, with the metes and bounds, or other definite description of each several piece or parcel of land; and they shall accompany the said report with a fair and accurate map of the whole, showing the divisions and partitions aforesaid; which report and map, or a true copy thereof, shall be deposited with the town clerk of said tribe, on or before the first day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-three, and shall remain open for inspection to all for the space of twenty days thereafter; and if any member or members of said tribe shall object to the partition or division so made by the said commissioners, or shall deem himself or themselves aggrieved thereby, he or they may, within ten days thereafter, give notice thereof to the said commissioners, who shall, within twenty days thereafter, meet to hear and determine such grievances, and take testimony, if necessary, and, after such hearing, shall have power to alter or modify such partition, if, in their judgment, any alteration or modification is necessary, in order to do equal and exact justice to all parties interested.

Mode of proceeding in case of the division being unsatisfactory.

Three copies of report and map to be made and disposed of, how.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That, after the said report shall be finally completed, the commissioners shall cause three fair copies of the said report, and of the map accompanying the same, as finally agreed upon and settled, to be made and signed by said commissioners, one copy of which shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of said

Territory, one copy in the office of the clerk of the county within which said lands are situated, and the other shall be transmitted to the President of the United States, who shall thereupon cause patents to be issued to the several individuals named in said report, for the lands so apportioned to them respectively, by which the said persons shall be authorized to hold the said land in fee simple, to themselves and their heirs and assigns.

Patents to be issued.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the said report and map shall be filed with the Secretary of said Territory, and in the clerk's office of said county, and shall also be transmitted to the President, on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty-four; and, after the same shall have been filed and transmitted to the President as aforesaid, the said Stockbridge tribe of Indians, and each and every of them, shall then be deemed to be, and from that time forth are hereby declared to be, citizens of the United States, to all intents and purposes, and shall be entitled to all the rights, privileges, and immunities of such citizens, and shall, in all respects, be subject to the laws of the United States and of the Territory of Wisconsin, in the same manner as other citizens of said Territory; and the jurisdiction of the United States and of said Territory shall be extended over the said township or reservation now held by them, in the same manner as over other parts of said Territory; and their rights as a tribe or nation, and their power of making or executing their own laws, usages, or customs, as such tribe, shall cease and determine: *Provided, however*, That nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to deprive them of the right to any annuity now due them from the State of New York or the United States, but they shall be entitled to receive any such annuity, in the same manner as though this act had not been passed.

Disposition of the report and map to be made on or before 1st January 1844; after which the Indians shall be citizens of the United States.

Proviso.

Approved, March 3, 1843.

Statute III.

March 3, 1843.

Chap. CII.—*An Act granting a pension to certain revolutionary soldiers.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the widow of any person who served in the war of the Revolution in the manner set forth in the act approved the seventh day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, entitled "An act supplementary to the act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," and whose widow, in virtue of an act approved the seventh day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows," and an act approved the twenty-third day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, amendatory thereof, and a resolution approved the sixteenth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, entitled "A resolution declarative of the pension act of July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight," received, or is entitled to an annuity or pension for the term of five years from the fourth of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, shall be entitled to receive the same annuity or pension which she received, or is entitled to receive, under said acts or said resolution, or either of them, for and during the further term of one year from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-three, or during such portion of said term as said widow shall survive, subject in all respects, however, to the rules, limitations, and conditions, in and by said acts and resolution made and provided.

Pensions to certain widows continued for one year.
1832, ch. 126.
1838, ch. 189.
1842, ch. 191.
Resolution of April 16, 1842.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of three hundred and eighty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay the annuities or pensions in and by this act granted.

Appropriation therefor.

Approved, March 3, 1843.