

consent to the discharge of Samuel Buel from imprisonment, on the judgment recovered against him, in favor of the United States, and to the allowance of a new trial to the said Samuel, on condition that special bail be put in and perfected, if the same has not been already done; that the judgment stand as security for the amount which may be found due; and that his past imprisonment shall not exempt him from re-imprisonment on the recovery which may hereafter be had against him in said action.

APPROVED, February 21, 1823.

from imprisonment on finding bail.

CHAP. XX. — *An Act for the relief of Samuel F. Hooker.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to audit and settle, upon such principles as are applicable to contracts, the claims of Samuel F. Hooker, against the navy department of the United States; with authority, if he shall think proper so to do, to submit said claims to arbitration.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the amount of the claims, when ascertained, shall be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, deducting whatever advances may have been made to the said Samuel F. Hooker, upon such claims.

APPROVED, February 28, 1823.

STATUTE II.

Feb. 28, 1823.

Claims to be settled.

Amount when ascertained to be paid.

CHAP. LXXIII. — *An Act for the relief of James Rees, of New York, one of the sureties of Joseph H. Rees, deceased, late assistant deputy Paymaster General, in service of the United States.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the proper accounting officers of the treasury department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to settle the accounts of Joseph H. Rees, deceased, late assistant deputy Paymaster General, in the service of the United States, upon the principles of justice and equity; and to allow to James Rees, one of the sureties of said deceased, such credits as he may prove himself entitled to, in consequence of payments actually made to troops in service of the United States during the life-time of said deceased: *Provided, however,* That no allowances shall be made in the settlement aforesaid, greater than the amount for which the said surety, James Rees, is now held liable to the United States.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the suit now pending in the District Court of the United States, for the Northern District of New York, against James Rees and Gerrit L. Dox, sureties of Joseph H. Rees, deceased, as aforesaid, be, and the same is hereby, suspended till the settlement directed in the first section of this act shall be fully completed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1823.

STATUTE II.

March 3, 1823.

Accounts to be settled.

Proviso.

Suit now pending to be suspended.

CHAP. LXXIV. — *An Act for the relief of Edward Evat.*

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to Edward Evat, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, thirteen hundred and thirty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents, being for the value of a house, burnt while occupied by the American troops: *Provided, however,* That there shall be deducted out of the aforesaid sum of thirteen hundred and thirty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents, whatever amount may have been paid to the said Evat for the hire or use of the said house.

APPROVED, March 3, 1823.

STATUTE II.

March 3, 1823.

1338 dollars 81 cents to be paid to Edward Evat.

Proviso.