

CHAP. X.—*An Act for the relief of the owners of the British brig Despatch.*

STATUTE III.

Feb. 6, 1839.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to ascertain the amount of tonnage, light-money, duties, and charges of all kinds paid on the brig Despatch and her cargo, at the port of Boston, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, where said vessel was entered on the twenty-second day of September, anno Domini eighteen hundred and twenty-two, over and above the duties, tonnage, light-money, et cetera, charged to, and paid by, American vessels from the island of Tobago at that time, and to pay the same over, when so ascertained, to Aaron Baldwin, of Boston, the consignee of said vessel and cargo.

Certain tonnage duties to be refunded.

APPROVED, February 6, 1839.

CHAP. XI.—*An Act for the relief of Jean B. Vallé.*

STATUTE III.

Feb. 6, 1839.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That Jean B. Vallé, assignee of Elizabeth Petchaka, be, and he hereby is, authorized to locate one half section of land, in legal subdivisions, upon any of the public lands subject to private entry within the state of Missouri, in lieu of the like quantity of land granted to the said Elizabeth Petchaka, by the seventh article of the treaty between the United States and the Delaware nation of Indians, made and concluded on the third day of October, in the year eighteen hundred and eighteen.

Authorized to locate a tract of land.

APPROVED, February 6, 1839.

CHAP. XII.—*An Act to remunerate the captors of the privateer Lydia.*

STATUTE III.

Feb. 6, 1839.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to David Robinson, Ebenezer Robinson, James Robinson, and John Robinson, or to their or either of their heirs or assigns, the sum of one thousand dollars, as a remuneration for the capture of the privateer Lydia, at Robinson's island, in the year eighteen hundred and thirteen.

Allowance for capturing a privateer.

APPROVED, February 6, 1839.

CHAP. XIII.—*An Act for the relief of Thomas Sumpter.*

STATUTE III.

Feb. 6, 1839.

*Be it enacted, &c.,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to close the account of Thomas Sumpter, late Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States at Brazil, by placing to his credit the sum of six thousand two hundred and sixty-three dollars and fifty cents; which said sum was paid to him by order of James Monroe, late President of the United States, towards the expenses which he had incurred, in consequence of the omission of the Government to appoint a Secretary of Legation, during the period of eight years nine months and twenty-four days, for the mission on which he was employed; and which sum was charged against him on the books of the treasury, without the corresponding credit; and also by placing to his credit the sum of five thousand six hundred and twenty-nine dollars and sixty-nine cents, which is to be in full of all expenses incurred by him as aforesaid: *Provided, nevertheless,* That before this act shall have any effect, the said Thomas Sumpter shall first execute and deliver to the Secretary of the Treasury, in due form of law, a release to the United States, discharging them from all liability for any claims which he may now have against them for performing consular duties, or duties as agent for prisoners, or on any other account whatsoever.

Account to be closed, and allowance made.

Proviso.

APPROVED, February 6, 1839.