the said vessel by the present owner exceeds three fourths of the original cost of building a vessel of the same tonnage in the United States.

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Chap. LXXXIV. — *An Act to authorize the Settlement of the Account of Joseph Nourse, deceased.*

The account of Joseph Nourse to be settled in conformity with decree of court of the United States for the District of Columbia.

Balance found due to be paid to his legal representatives.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the accounting officers of the treasury be, and are hereby, authorized to settle the account of Joseph Nourse, in conformity with the award and decree of the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia, as affirmed by the Supreme Court of the United States, and that any balance which may be found due him on said decree be paid to his legal representatives out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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Chap. LXXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of Edna Hickman, Wife of Alexander D. Peck.*

Title to two arpens of land in Louisiana confirmed to Edna Hickman.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the title to two tracts of land, ten arpens front by forty deep, each, in all amounting to eight hundred acres, situated on the Bayou Bartholomew, in the parish of Morehouse, State of Louisiana, being a part of a Spanish grant to Baron de Bastrop, of date first June, seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, be, and the same is hereby, confirmed to Edna Hickman: *Provided*, That this act shall not be so construed as in any manner to confirm any part of said de Bastrop grant, save the two tracts, or to affect the rights of third persons in said two tracts hereby confirmed.

Proviso.

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Chap. LXXXVI. — *An Act for the Relief of William Ralston.*

$631 31 to be paid William Ralston for services as chaplain to the regiment of Tennessee cavalry.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, instructed to pay to William Ralston, of Tennessee, the sum of six hundred and eighty-one dollars and eighty-one cents, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, it being in full compensation for his services as chaplain to the regiment of Tennessee cavalry, from the sixth of June, eighteen hundred and forty-six, to April twenty-one, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

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Chap. LXXXVII. — *An Act for the Relief of Barclay and Livingston, and Smith, Thurgar, and Company.*

Excess of duties paid by Barclay and Livingston, and Smith, Thurgar, and Company, on jute grass to be refunded.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to pay to Barclay and Livingston, and Smith, Thurgar, and Company, merchants in the city of New York, any excess of duty paid by them to the collector of the port of New York, upon the importations of jute grass, under the name of India matting, India weed, hemp carpeting,

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