agents of United States, and after deducting therefrom the amount which may be due the United States, to pay the balance to said Gratiots.

value, so paid to said agents for the United States by said Henry and John P. B. Gratiot, and, after deducting the amount appearing on the books of the Treasury, or found to be really due from said Gratiots, or either of them, to the United States, to pay the balance, if any, to John P. B. Gratiot and to the legal representatives of Henry Gratiot, deceased, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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Aug. 14, 1848.

Chap. CXCVIII.—*An Act authorizing the Payment of a Sum of Money to Robert Purkis.*

$700 to be paid Robert Purkis for having recaptured, alone and unassisted, a vessel called the Little Sarah, together with four seamen of the British navy.

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, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seven hundred dollars to Robert Purkis, of the State of Rhode Island, or to his legal representatives; which sum of seven hundred dollars is paid to him as an evidence of the sense entertained by Congress of his valor and good conduct in having recaptured, alone and unassisted, a vessel called the Little Sarah, together with four seamen of the British navy, which prisoners were delivered to the district of Rhode Island, and as a compensation for the prisoners so taken.

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Chap. CXCIX.—*An Act for the Relief of William Hogan, Administrator of Michael Hogan, deceased.*

$16,831 to be paid William Hogan in full compensation for the services of the deceased and moneys advanced by him as agent for the navy department at Valparaiso.

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 hereby is, directed to pay, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to William Hogan, administrator of Michael Hogan, deceased, the sum of sixteen thousand eight hundred and thirty-one dollars and eighty-seven cents, it being in full compensation for the services rendered and moneys advanced by the said Michael Hogan, as agent or factor for the Navy Department at Valparaiso.

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Chap. CC.—*An Act to compensate R. M. Johnson, for the Erection of certain Buildings for the Use of the Choctaw Academy.*

R. M. Johnson to be paid the cost of certain buildings erected by him for the use of Indian students at the Choctaw Academy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of Amexica in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be authorized and required to receive proof of the cost of the buildings erected by Colonel Richard M. Johnson, of Kentucky, for the use of Indian students at the Choctaw Academy, and when the cost of such buildings shall be so ascertained, to pay the same to said Johnson; and for the purpose aforesaid, the sum of ten thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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