

applicable to all widows or orphans of officers, soldiers, &c., who were in the army 1st March, 1846, and during the present war with Mexico.

Widows and orphans herein provided for to receive the same rate of pensions as is provided for in the above act.

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Pensions under this act to be granted under such rules, &c., as the Secretary of War may prescribe.

dred and thirty-six, shall be applicable to all widows and orphans of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and soldiers of the army of the United States, who were in the army of the United States on the first day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-six, or at any subsequent period during the present war between the United States and Mexico.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all widows and orphans of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, whether of the regular army or of volunteers, who have died since the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, or who may die during the war with Mexico, from wounds received or from disease contracted while in the line of duty, shall be entitled to the same rate of pension as is provided for in the first section of the before-mentioned act, under like limitations and restrictions: *Provided*, Said death has occurred, or may hereafter occur, while said officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, or privates, were in the service of the United States, and in the line of duty; or while returning to their usual place of residence in the United States, after having received a discharge upon a surgeon's certificate for disability incurred from wounds received, or disease contracted, while in the line of duty, or while on their march to join the army in Mexico: *And provided further*, That this act shall not be applicable to the widows and orphans of such officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, or privates, who have not served in Mexico, or at posts or stations on the borders of Mexico; except where such officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, or privates, have died while on their march to join the army in Mexico.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all pensions under this act shall be granted under such rules, regulations, restrictions, and limitations as the Secretary of War, with the approbation of the President of the United States, may prescribe.

APPROVED, July 21, 1848.

July 25, 1848.

CHAP. CIX. — *An Act to authorize the Sale of a Part of Public Reservation numbered Thirteen, in the City of Washington, and for other Purposes.*

Sale of a portion of public reservation No. 13 to the vestry of Washington parish authorized.

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Upon payment of purchase money, deed of conveyance to be executed.

Said vestry may enclose and occupy portions of certain streets;

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Commissioner of Public Buildings in the city of Washington be, and he is hereby, authorized to sell to the vestry of Washington parish such portion of the public reservation of land in the city of Washington, numbered thirteen, called the Hospital Square, as the said vestry may desire to purchase, for the purpose of enlarging the Washington parish burial ground, not exceeding six acres: *Provided*, The Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy shall be of opinion that the said land can be sold without injury to the public service; and, upon payment being made to the said Commissioner for the said land, at the same price per acre which the United States received for the adjoining square of ground, numbered eleven hundred and fifteen, he shall execute a conveyance therefor to the said vestry, in the same manner as he now conveys public lands when sold.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the vestry of Washington parish shall have authority to enclose, possess, and occupy so much of Nineteenth Street east as passes between square numbered eleven hundred and fifteen, in the city of Washington, (the present burial-ground,) and the land proposed by the first section of this act to be sold; and also, with the consent of the corporate authority of the city of Washington, the said vestry may enclose, possess, and occupy so much of any street or streets as may pass between the said square

numbered eleven hundred and fifteen, and any other whole square of ground of which it may become the possessor, for the sole purpose of enlarging the said burial-ground.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the vestry of Washington parish shall have power to hold and enjoy forever any land which it may purchase or possess for the extension of the Washington parish burial-ground: *Provided*, The whole quantity shall not exceed thirty acres, any thing in any former act to the contrary notwithstanding; and the said vestry may, from time to time, sell or otherwise dispose of the said ground for the purposes of burial.

And may hold and enjoy forever any land it may purchase for extension of burial ground.

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SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the government of the United States shall be entitled to purchase from the said vestry, and to occupy as a burial-ground, for members of Congress and such other members of the United States government as the President shall deem it expedient and proper to allow, a portion of the land hereinbefore authorized to be sold, not exceeding one fourth part thereof, and which portion shall be laid out in some compact form, and at such place as the Secretaries aforesaid shall select: *Provided*, That the ground so authorized to be purchased and used by the government shall be paid for from time to time, as it is actually used, at the price demanded by the vestry, for grave-sites in other parts of the same ground: *And provided, also*, That this reservation of the right to purchase to the extent aforesaid shall not be held to subject the United States to any part of the expense of putting up or keeping up the enclosures of the said burying-ground, or other expense incident thereto.

Government of the United States to have the right to purchase a portion of said ground for a burial-ground for members of Congress and public officers.

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United States not to be subject to any expense for enclosures, &c.

APPROVED, July 25, 1848.

CHAP. CX. — *An Act to make Bangor a Port of Entry for Ships or Vessels coming from and beyond the Cape of Good Hope*

July 25, 1848.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That Bangor, in the State of Maine, shall be, and hereby is, made a port of entry for ships or vessels coming from or beyond the Cape of Good Hope.

Bangor made a port of entry for ships or vessels coming from or beyond the Cape of Good Hope.

APPROVED, July 25, 1848.

CHAP. CXI. — *An Act to revive an Act authorizing certain Soldiers in the late War [with Great Britain] to surrender the Bounty Lands drawn by them, and to locate others in lieu thereof*

July 25, 1848.

1826, ch. 147.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That it shall and may be lawful for any soldier in the late war with Great Britain, to whom bounty land has been allotted and patented in the State of Arkansas, which was and is unfit for cultivation, to surrender said patent, and to receive in lieu thereof the same quantity of any of the public land subject to private entry as he may select: *Provided*, That before receiving such new land, it shall be proved, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, that the land so allotted and patented to said soldier is unfit for cultivation, and that said soldier has never disposed of his interest in said land by any sale of his own, and that the same had not been taken or disposed of for his debts due to any individual, and that he shall release all his interest in the same to the United States, in such way as said Commissioner shall prescribe; and such surrender and location shall be made within five years from the passing of this act.

Certain soldiers in the late war with Great Britain may surrender the bounty lands drawn by them in Arkansas, and receive other lands in lieu thereof.

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Limitation of time.

APPROVED, July 25, 1848.