

powered to make sale, or otherwise dispose of the lots of land described in the first section of this act, in such manner as will best subserve the interests of said county.

Two lots may be disposed of by the county commissioners.

APPROVED, June 15, 1844.

CHAP. LVII.—*An Act to confirm to the city of Fernandina in Florida, certain lots reserved for public use by the Spanish Government.*

STATUTE I.  
June 15, 1844.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That lots, numbers five and seven of block number two, in the plan of the city of Fernandina, be and are hereby confirmed and relinquished to the corporate authorities of the said city for such uses as were designed by the Spanish Government in the original plan of the said city: *Provided,* That before the issue of patents for the same, it shall be shown to the satisfaction of the President of the United States, that the said lots were intended to be reserved in the plan of said city, for a public use.

Two lots granted for purposes designed by Spanish government.

Proviso.

APPROVED, June 15, 1844.

CHAP. LVIII. — *An Act making appropriations for the payment of navy pensions for the year ending thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-five.*

STATUTE I.  
June 15, 1844.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of navy pensions for the year ending thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and forty-five:

[Obsolete.]

To pay invalid pensions, forty thousand dollars;

Invalid pensions.

To pay widows' pensions, under the act of thirtieth June, eighteen hundred and thirty-four, six thousand dollars;

Widows' pensions under act of June 30, 1834 ch. 134.

To pay widows' and orphans' pensions, under the act of third March, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, sixteen thousand dollars.

Widows and orphans, act of March 3, 1837, ch. 42.

For payment of invalid pensioners, heretofore paid from the privateer pension fund, their several pensions to commence from the time they were stopped in consequence of the exhaustion of said fund, eighteen thousand dollars;

Invalid pensions, from the time they were stopped.

For payment of pensions to the widows and orphans of those persons who were lost in the United States' schooner *Sea Gull* and in the United States' schooner *Grampus*, agreeably to the provisions of an act passed at the present session entitled "An act for the relief of the widows and orphans of the officers, seamen and marines of the United States' schooner *Grampus*," ten thousand dollars.

Widows and orphans of persons lost in the *Grampus* and *Sea Gull*. 1844, ch. 53.

APPROVED, June 15, 1844.

CHAP. LIX.—*An Act to test the utility of the sub-marine telescope.*

STATUTE I.  
June 15, 1844.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Navy be authorized and directed to institute such experiments under the superintendence of competent and trustworthy persons, as will fully test the utility of the sub-marine telescope invented by Mrs. Sarah P. Mather, and ascertain its value, if any, to the public service; and the expenses of which shall be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That said expenses shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars.

Sec. Navy to institute the experiments to test it.

Proviso.

APPROVED, June 15, 1844.