

built vessels purchased and repaired by citizens of the United States, authorized. Provided the repairs equal three-fourths the cost of the vessel when repaired.

ment for any vessel built in a foreign country, whenever such vessel may have been or shall hereafter be wrecked in the United States, and have been, or shall hereafter be, purchased and repaired by a citizen or citizens thereof: *Provided*, That it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury that the repairs put upon such vessel shall be equal to three-fourths of the cost of said vessel when so repaired.

APPROVED, December 23, 1852.

Jan. 7, 1853.

CHAP. VI.—*An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish the Territorial Government of Oregon," approved August fourteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.*

1848, ch. 177.

Selection in Oregon of other sections in lieu of 16th, and 36th, when those are located upon, authorized.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Oregon be, and hereby are authorized, in all cases where the sixteen or thirty-six sections, or any part thereof, shall be taken and occupied under the law making donations of land to actual settlers, or otherwise to cause the county commissioners of the several counties in said Territory, or such other officer or officers as they shall direct, to select, in lieu thereof, an equal quantity of any unoccupied land in sections, or fractional sections, as the case may be.

The lands so selected set apart for Common Schools.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That when selections are made in pursuance of the provisions of the first section of this act, said lands so selected, and their proceeds, shall be forever inviolably set apart for the benefit of common schools.

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

Jan. 7, 1853.

CHAP. VII.—*An Act making further Appropriations for the Construction of Roads in the Territory of Minnesota.*

Appropriation for Roads in Minnesota.

1850, ch. 23.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following sums of money be, and they are hereby appropriated for the construction of roads in the Territory of Minnesota, in addition to the sums heretofore appropriated for the same objects, by the act approved July eighteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty, to wit: for the construction of a road from Point Douglass, on the Mississippi River, to the falls or rapids of the St. Louis River of Lake Superior, by the most direct and convenient route between those points, twenty thousand dollars; for the construction of a road from Point Douglass to Fort Gaines, now Fort Ripley, ten thousand dollars; for the construction of a road from the mouth of Swan River, or the most expedient point near it, north or south of said river, to the Winnebago agency at Long Prairie, five thousand dollars; and for the construction of a road from Wabashaw to Mendota, five thousand dollars; and for the survey and laying out of a military road from Mendota to the mouth of Big Sioux River, on the Missouri, five thousand dollars. The said roads to be constructed under the direction of the Secretary of War, pursuant to contracts to be made by him.

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

Jan. 7, 1853.

CHAP. VIII.—*An Act authorizing certain Soldiers of the late war with Great Britain to surrender the Bounty Lands drawn by them, and to locate others in lieu thereof.*

Bounty Lands of Soldiers in late war with Great Britain, may be surrendered if unfit for cultivation and re-located.

*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 any State of this Union, by virtue of the laws of the United States passed prior to the year 1850, 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 at the minimum price 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 has 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 passage of this act.

Proviso.

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

CHAP. IX.—*An Act for the Construction of Military Roads in Oregon Territory.*

Jan. 7, 1853.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following sums of money be, and the same are hereby appropriated, for the construction of military roads in the Territory of Oregon, to wit: for the construction of a road from Stilacomb, on Puget's Sound to Fort Walla-Walla, twenty thousand dollars; and for the construction of a road from the mouth of Myrtle Creek, on the Umpqua River, to Camp Stuart, in Rogue River Valley, twenty thousand dollars; the said roads to be constructed under the direction of the Secretary of War, pursuant to contracts to be made by him.

Appropriation for military roads in Oregon.

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

CHAP. XVIII.—*An Act making Appropriations for the Payment of Invalid and other Pensions of the United States for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.*

Jan. 20, 1853.

*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 pensions for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four;

For invalid pensions under various acts, four hundred and eighty thousand dollars;

For pensions to widows and orphans under the acts of July the fourth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and July the twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, twenty-eight thousand dollars;

1836, ch. 362.

For pensions to widows under the act of seventh July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, ninety thousand dollars;

1848, ch. 108.

1838, ch. 189.

For pensions to widows under the act of third March one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, thirty thousand dollars;

1843, ch. 102.

For pensions to widows under the acts of the seventeenth of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, second of February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and twenty-ninth of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, two hundred and seventy-two thousand dollars;

1844, ch. 102.

1848, ch. 8.

1848, ch. 120.

For half-pay pensions to widows and orphans provided for by the eleventh section of an Act, approved January the twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, and the first and second sections of An Act, approved the sixteenth of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, in addition to an unexpended balance, ten thousand dollars.

1813, ch. 16.

1816, ch. 55.

APPROVED, January 20, 1853.