the corps, whether regularly mustered or not, dis-shied by reason of any wound or injury received, or damase contracted, while in the service of the United States and in the line of duty; any master serving on a guisboat, or any pilot, engineer, sailor, tunboat or war-ve-sel of the United States, by any wound or injury received, or oth-acametated, while in the line of daty, for ing for the time being as a member of the militial of any State under orders of any officer of the United States, or who volunteered for the time being to serve with any regularly organized military or naval fource of the United States, or who otherwise volunteered and rendered service in any entered to the united States, or who otherwise volunteered and rendered service in any entered to the united States. uch temporary service; any acting assistant or cotract surgeon, disabled by any wound or injury

on of such disability, he shall, upon making which the rate of pension is expensive pension. which the rate of pension is expressly provided, an amount proportionate to that provided for total disability, to commence as hereinafter provided. issue prior to the fourth day of July, eighteen hun-dred and seventy-four: And provided further That no person shall be entitled to a pension by

officers of legher rank commander, surgeon, pay-master, and chief engineer, respectively ranking with commander by law, lieutenant commanding tary service and in the marine corps, chaplain in the army and provest marshal, professor of mathematics, master, assistant surgean, assistant pay-master, and chaplain in the naval service, twenty dollars per month; for first lieutenant in the military service and in the marine corps, acting assistin the military service and in the marine corps, first assistant engineer, ensign, and pi-tot in the unval s-rvice and corolling officer, fifsecond and third as istant engineer, masters, pilots, e.gineers, sailors, and crews upon the gurboats and war-vessels shall be entitled to re-ceive the pension allowed herein to those of like rank traffe naval service; and every commissionreceive such and only such pension as is herein provided for the rank he held at the time he re provided for the rank he held at the time he received the injury, or contracted the disease which
resulted in the disability, on account of which he
may be entitled to a pension; and any commissigned or presidential appointment, regularly issued to such person, shall be taken to determine
bis rank from and after the date, as given in the
commission or appointment conferring said rank;
Provided. That a vacancy existed in the rank
thereby conferred; that the person commissioned
was not so disabled for military duty; and that he
did not wilfully neglect or refuse to be mustered.
Sec. 3. That for the period commencing Jury
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be as to tows, namely: For itentenant-colonel and all officers of higher rank in the military service and in the marine corps, and for captain and all

these persons emitted to a less pension than here-inafter mentioned, who shall have lost both feet in the military or naval service and in the line of du-ty, shall be entitled to a pension of twenty-five dol-lars per month; for the same period those persons who, under like circumstances, shall have lost both hands or the sight of both eyes, shall be entitled to a pension of twesty-five dellars per month; and for the period commencing March third, eighteen bands or the sight of both eyes, shall be entitled to a pension of twenset, five deliates per month: and the right of a dependent futher or dependent brother to pension shall not in any case be held to have not many and that the right of a dependent futher or depend duty, shall have been permanently and totally disabled in both hands, or who shall have lost the sight of one eye, the other having been previously lost, or who shall have been otherwise so totally and permanently disabled as to render them utteris helpless, or so nearly so as to require regular personal aid and attendance of another person, shall be entitled to a penson of twenty-five dollars per month; and for the same period those who under like circumstances shall have been totally and permanenty disabled in both feet, or in one hand and one foot, or otherwise so disabled as to be incapactisted for the performance of any manu-

pension of twenty dollars per month; and for the same period all persons who under like circumstances shall have been totally and permanenty disabled in one hand, or one foot, or otherwise so disabled as to render their inability to perform manual labor equivalent to the loss of a hand or foot shall be entitled to a pension of lifteen dollars their month. per mouth.

Sec. 4. That from and after June fourth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, all persons entitled by law to a less pension than beschafter specified, who, white in the military or naval service of the United States, and in line of duty, shall have lost the sight of both eyes, or shall have lost the sight of one eye, the sight of the other having been previously lost, or shall have lost both feet or been tatally and permanent. have lost both feet, or been totally and permanently disabled in the same, or permanently and totally disabled as to render them utterly helpless, or so ly disabled as to render them utterly helpless, or so nearly so as to require the regular personal aid and attendance of another person, shall be entitled to a pension of thirty-one dollars and tmenty-five cents per month; and all persons who, under like cirlumstances, shall have lost one hand and one foot, or been totally and permanently disabled in the same, or otherwise so disabled as to be incapacitated for performing any manual labor, but not so much as to require regular personal aid and attendance, shall be entitled to a pension of twenty-four dollars per month; and all persons who, under like execumstances shall have lost one hand, or one their theapacity to perform manual labor equiva-lent to the less of a hand or foot, shall be entitled to a passion of eighteen dollars per month: Provi-led, Phat all persons who, under like circumstan-

case and receive twenty-four dollars per month; and all persons who under like circumstances, shall have lost the hearing of both ears, shall be entitled to a pension of thirteen dollars per month; Provided. That the pension for a disability not permanent, equivalent in degree to any provided for in this section, shall, during the continuance of the disability in such degree he at the same rate and is this section, shall during the continuance of the disability of the continuance of the same person or to persons entropy of the continuance of the same time to the same person or to persons entropy of the continuance of the same time to the same time to time, as he shall of the conveyed from one other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the time to time, as he shall during the conveyed from one the day of the conveyed from one other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of the government, to make special examinations or pensions, and such examinations of pensions, which is the owners or masters of steam, sailing, or other the owners or masters of the government, to make pension, and such examinations of pensions.

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guardian to whom increase of pension has been, or shall hereafter be, granted on account of minor children, shall not be deprived thereof by reason of their being maintained in whole or in part at the expense of the State or the public in any educational institution, or in any institution organized for the care of the soldiers' orphans.

Se'. 10. That in the administration of the pension laws, children born before the marriage of their partents, if acknowledged by the father before or after the marriage, shall be deemed legitimate.

eafter die, leaving a widow entitled to a peu-by reason of his death, and a child or children for sixteen years of age by such widow, and it

since the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-one or shall becaher die, by reason of any wound injury casualty, or disease, which, under the conditions and limitations of said section disabled, to commence from the death of such until they attain the age of sixteen years of age respectively, commencing from the death or remarriage of the party who had the prior right to the pension: Provided, That the mother shall be

tion therefor was filed before or after such mar-ringe; and that on the remarriage of any widow, dependent mother, or dependent sister, having a pension, such pension shall cease.
Sec. 15. That all pensions which have been, or which may hereafter be, granted in consequence of death occurring from a cause which originated in the service since the fourth day of March. eighteen the service since the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, or in consequence of wounds or injuries received or disease contracted since said date, shall commence from the death or discharge of the person on whose account the claim has been or shall hereafter be granted, or fr in the termination of the right of party having prior title to such pension: Provided, That the application for such pension has been or shall hereafter be, filed with the commissioner of pensions within five ye rs after the right thereto shall have accrued; otherwise the pension shall commence from the date of filing the last evidence necessary to establish the same: Provided furn. T. That the limitation herein prescribed shall not apply to claims by tion herein prescribed shall not apply to claims by or in behalf of insane persons or persons under six-

accrued prior to the third day of March eighteen hundred and sixty-five; if applying on account of persons enlisted as teamsters, wagoners, artificers, hospital-s ewards, or farriers, their right shall not be held to have accrued prior to the sixth day of June, cighteen hundred and sixty-six; and the right of all clusters. right of all classes or claimants, applying on ac-count of a provost marshal, deputy provost-mar-shal, or enrolling officer, shall not be he'd to have sum, or enrolling officer, shall not be he'd to have accrued prior to the twenty-fifth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-six: Provided, That the right of a widow or dependent mother who married prior, and did not apply till subsequent to the twenty-seventh day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, shall not be held to have accrued prior to that date.

sioner of peusions, upon any application by letter or otherwise by or on behalf of any peusioner enti-arrears of peasion under the diffeenth section of uch pensioners at his or her death, to pay or cause to be paid to such pensioners, or other person, all such arrears of pension as the pensioner may be entitled to, or (if dead) would have been entitled to under the provisions of said section had be or she survived; and no claim-agents or other per-sons shall be entitled to receive any compensation for services in making application for arrears of

and prior to the fourh of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-one to take effect from and after the twenty fifth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-six; and that the widows of revolutionary soldiers and salioers receiving a less sum shall be raid at the rate of eight dollars per month from and after the twenty-seventh day of July, eighteen huxdred and sixty-eight.

Sec. 19. That in all cases in which the cause of disability or death originated in the service prior to the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and be authorized to organize, at his discretion, bave been filed within three years from the discount the claim is made, or within three years of the termination of a pension previously granted on account of the service and death of the same person, the pension shall commence from the date of filing of the party prosecuting the claim, the last paper requisite to establish the same: Provided, That an claim allowed prior to the sixth day of June, eighten hundred and sixty-six, shall be affected by any thing herein contained. thing herein contained.

Sec. 20. That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to allow more than on pension at the same time to the same person or to persons entitled jointly; but any pensioner who shall so elect

or died in the service, or, if otherwise, to date of it and the children born of any marriage so and durations of a pension allomed by special act of such soldier or sailor: Provided, That be varied by the provisions and limitations of the

the same validity as if taken before an officer recognized by the law at the time as competent to administer oaths; that all proof wanting in said

a successor shall be appointed, or such absene of from only are dunder guardians, the same of the Secretary of the Treasujoint possion to which each ward shall be entitled
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Sec. 30. That the commissioner of pensions is
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> granted, shall be void and of no effect; and any person acting as attorney to receive and receipt for money for and in behalf of any person entitled to a pension shall, before receiving said money, take and subscribe an oath, to be filed with the pensionagent, and by him to be transmitted, with the vouchers now required by law, to the proper accounting-officer of the treasury, that he has no interest in said money by any piedge, mortgage, sale, assignment, or transfer, and that he does not know or believe that the same has been so disposed of to any person; and any person who shall laisely take the said outh shall be guitty of perjury, and, on conviction, shall be liable to the pains and penalties of perjury. alties of perjury.
> Sec. 33. That any person who shall knowingly or willfully in any wise procure the making or presentation of any talse or fraudulent affidavit consentation.

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Sec. 3t. That in all cases of application for the payment of pensions to invalid pensioners to the fourth day of September of an odd year, the certificate of an examining surgeon of the army or may vy, stating the continuance of the disability for which the pension was originally granted, (describing it,) and the degree of such disability at the time of making the certificate, shall be required to accompany the vouchers, and a daplicate thereof shall be filed in the office of the commissioner of shall be filed in the office of the commissioner of shall be filed in the office of the commissioner of shall be filed in the office of the commissioner of shall be filed in the office of the commissioner of the same is hereby, also appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise. shall be filed in the office of the commissioner of pensions; and if in a case of continued disability it shall be stated at a degree below that for which the pension was originally granted, or was last paid, the pensioner shall only be paid for the quarter then due at the rate stated in the certificate; by the Secretary of State.

Provided, That when pension shall be granted for a disability consequent upon the loss of a limb, or other essential portion of the body, or for other or when a disability is certified by competent ex-amining surgeons, to the satisfaction of the comamining surgeons, to the satisfaction of the consmissioner of pensions, to have become permanent
in a degree equal to the whole rate of pension, the
above certificate shall not be necessary to entitle
the pensioner to payment: And provided further,
That this section shall not be construed to pervent
the commissioner of pensions from requiring a
more frequent examination if, in his judgement, it
is necessary.
Sec. 35. That the commissioner of pensions be,
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Sec. 35. That the commissioner of pensions be and he is hereby, empowered to appoint, at his discretion, civil surgeons to make the periodical examinations of pensioners which are, or may be, required by law, and to examine applicants for pension, where he shall deem an examination by a surgeon appointed by him necessary; and the feator such examinations, and the requisite certificates therefor in duplicate, including possinge on such as are transmitted to pension-agents, shall be two dollars, which shall be paid by the agent for paying pensions in the district within which the pensioner or claimant resides, out of any money appropriated for the payment of pensions, under such requisitions as the commissioner of pensions may prescribe. Sec 36. That the commissioner of pensions

be authorized to organize, at his discretion, boards of examining surgeons, not to exceed pointed by the commissioner of pensions,

ever, efter a full hearing of both parties, the cause of discharge is found to be the misconduct of the seaman, to remit so much of the

extra wages as is now by law paid to the seaman discharged: Provided, That relief can immediately be-offered to such a amen by reshipment without the expenses of the United States. Approved, March 3, 1873; CHAP CCXLIV.—An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to prevent smuggling, and for other Purposes," approved July eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-

resculatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the seventh section of the act entitled "An act to further preven smuggling, and for other purposes," approved July eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, is hereby amended so as to read as eral collectors of customs and of internal revenue to report within ten days to the district penalty, or forfeiture may be incurred for the violation of any law of the United States re-

provisions of the law believed to be violated, and on which a reliance may be had for cor demnation or conviction, and such district attorney shall cause the proper proceedings to be commenced and prosecuted without delay for the fines, penalties, and forfeitures by law in such case provided, unless, upor inquiry and examination he shall decide that do not require that proceedings should be in facts in customs cases to the Secretary of the

retary of the Treasury shall deem just and becomable upon the pertificate of the judge before whom such cases are tried or disposed of: Provided, however, That the annual compensation of such district attacher shall not exceed the maximum amount now presto the United States, and the same may, in

Approved, March 3, 1873. CHAP. CCXLV .- An Act to regulate the Taking of Testimony in certain cases. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That no witness shall be compelled to apear or to testify before any commissioner or officer appointed to take testimony under rogatory, issued or to be issued from any court in any foreign country, in any sult or proceeding in which the govern-ment of such foreign country shall be a par-

pose of answering specific written interroga-tories issued with and accompanying such letters regatory, and addressed to such wit-ness, Provided, That when counsel for all the paries affend the examination, they ma: ecompanying the letters rogatory may be out to the witness, unless the letters rogato y exclude such additional interrogatories. guilty of a high misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall, for every such offence, be fined
not exceeding five hundred dollars, or imprisoned
at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both, at
the discretion of the court. And if any guardian
having the charge and custody of the pension of
his ward shall embezzle the same in violation of
nis trust or fraudulently convert the same to his
own use he shall be required.

SEC. 2 That no witness shall be required,
on such examination, or any other letters
rogatory, to make any disclosure or discovery which shall tend to criminate him either under the laws of the State or Territory
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CHAP, CCXLVI.-An Act to restore Absalom Kirby as a second assistant Engineer in

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repongress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to restore Absalom Kirby to his original position on the active list as a sec-United States. Approved, March 3, 1873.

CHAP. CCXLVII.—An Act providing for the Payment to the Government of Japan the Sum due on Account of Rents for lands and Buildings occupied by the diplomatic and consular Representatives of the United States to Japan, and for other Purposes. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of

Approved, March 3, 1873.

CHAP, CCXLVIII.—An Act authorizing the Secretary of War to furiff h a duplicate Cer ificate of discharge where the same has

resentatives of the United States of America, in Sec. 2" That the army regulations now is force are hereby modified in accordance with the provisions of this act. Approved, March 3, 1873.

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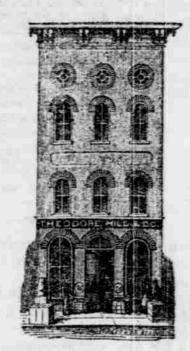
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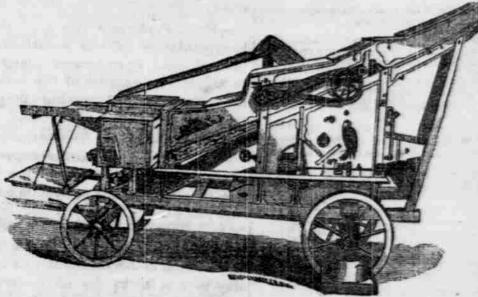
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