

ment to any person not known to have been opposed to the rebellion and in favor of its suppression," approved March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and Section four thousand seven hundred and sixteen of the Revised Statutes of the United States, shall not apply to the persons provided for by this Act; *provided*, that no money shall be paid to any one on account of pensions for the time during which his name remained stricken from the rolls.

Sec. 6. That the surviving widow of any pensioner of the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, where the name of said pensioner was stricken from the pension-rolls, in pursuance of the Act entitled an Act authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to strike from the pension rolls the names of such persons as have taken up arms against the government, or who have in any manner encouraged the rebels," approved February fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and where, under the existing provisions of law, said pensioner died without his name being restored to the rolls, shall be entitled to make claim for a pension as such widow after the passage of this Act; *Provided*, That no such arrearages shall be paid for any period prior to the time of the removal of the disability of the pensioner, as provided in Section 5; *And provided further*, That under this Act any widow of a Revolutionary soldier who served fourteen days or was in any engagement, shall be placed upon the pension-rolls of the United States, and receive a pension at the rate of eight dollars per month.

Sec. 7. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act be, and they are hereby, repealed,  
Approved, March 9, 1878.

Which was read, and adopted.

The President presented to the Senate the following communication from the Comptroller of the Treasury:

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
*Annapolis*, March 25th, 1878.

*Hon. Edward Lloyd, President of the Senate:*

Dear Sir:—I have just been served with a copy of an order passed by the Senate to-day, in these words:

“Ordered, That the Comptroller of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, requested to inform the Senate of the cause or causes of the large reduction in the March distribution to the Free Schools of the State, and also, what arrangement has been made, if any, for the payment of the sum of \$306,850.-