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P.D., 68) it being demonstrated in said opinion that a marriage similar to the one between the soldier and Caroline was a perfectly legal marriage. There is no necessity for going over the same ground in the present case, for the opinion in the Tuttle case was exhaustive of the law upon the subject involved.

The marriage between the soldier and Caroline, shown by the evidence in the case at bar, was a perfectly valid and legal one, and, consequently, the attempted marriage of claimant was null and void ab initio.

The papers in the case are herewith returned. Action affirmed.

Very respectfully,

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Assistant Secretary.