

R. S., 1682, p. 294,  
amended.

Guatemala, &c.,  
salary of minister  
to.

That the following be added to section one thousand six hundred and eighty-two:

"And he shall receive compensation at the rate of ten thousand dollars per annum."

Approved, March 3, 1875.

March 3, 1875.

**CHAP. 154.**—An act to amend section numbered three thousand three hundred and forty-two of the Revised Statutes of the United States in relation to affixing stamps on brewers casks.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section numbered three thousand three hundred and forty-two of the Revised Statutes be amended so as to read as follows:

R. S., 3342, p. 655,  
amended.

Brewers' stamps,  
how procured, af-  
fixed, and can-  
celed.

That every brewer shall obtain, from the collector of the district in which his brewery or brewery-warehouse is situated, and not otherwise unless such collector shall fail to furnish the same upon application to him, the proper stamps, and shall affix, upon the spigot-hole in the head of every hogshead, barrel, keg, or other receptacle in which any fermented liquor is contained, when sold or removed from such brewery or warehouse, (except in case of removal under permit, as hereinafter provided,) a stamp denoting the amount of the tax required upon such fermented liquor, which stamp shall be destroyed by driving through the same the faucet through which the liquor is to be withdrawn, or an air-faucet of equal size, at the time the vessel is tapped, in case the vessel is tapped through the other spigot-hole, (of which there shall be but two, one in the head and one in the side,) and shall, also, at the time of affixing such stamp, cancel the same by writing or imprinting thereon the name of the person, firm, or corporation by whom such liquor was made, or the initial letters thereof, and the date when canceled. Every brewer who refuses or neglects to affix and cancel the stamps required by law in the manner aforesaid, or who affixes a false or fraudulent stamp thereto, or knowingly permits the same to be done, shall pay a penalty of one hundred dollars for each barrel or package on which such omission or fraud occurs, and be imprisoned not more than one year.

Penalty.

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**CHAP. 155.**—An act to amend section fourteen hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Statutes of the United States relating to the better government of the Navy.

R. S., 1422, p. 250,  
amended.

Men sent home  
at expiration of  
term of enlistment  
in Navy.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section fourteen hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended to read as follows:

Detention beyond  
term.

Persons enlisted  
without limits of  
United States; dis-  
charge, detention.

**SEC. 1422.** That it shall be the duty of the commanding officer of any fleet, squadron, or vessel acting singly, when on service, to send to an Atlantic or to a Pacific port of the United States, as their enlistment may have occurred on either the Atlantic or Pacific coast of the United States, in some public or other vessel, all petty-officers and persons of inferior ratings desiring to go there at the expiration of their terms of enlistment, or as soon thereafter as may be, unless, in his opinion, the detention of such persons for a longer period should be essential to the public interests, in which case he may detain them, or any of them, until the vessel to which they belong shall return to such Atlantic or Pacific port.— All persons enlisted without the limits of the United States may be discharged, on the expiration of their enlistment, either in a foreign port or in a port of the United States, or they may be detained as above provided beyond the term of their enlistment; and

that all persons sent home, or detained by a commanding officer, according to the provisions of this act, shall be subject in all respects to the laws and regulations for the government of the Navy until their return to an Atlantic or Pacific port and their regular discharge; and all persons so detained by such officer, or re-entering to serve until the return to an Atlantic or Pacific port of the vessel to which they belong, shall in no case be held in service more than thirty days after their arrival in said port; and that all persons who shall be so detained beyond their terms of enlistment or who shall, after the termination of their enlistment, voluntarily re-enter to serve until the return to an Atlantic or Pacific port of the vessel to which they belong, and their regular discharge therefrom, shall receive for the time during which they are so detained, or shall so serve beyond their original terms of enlistment, an addition of one-fourth of their former pay: *Provided*, That the shipping-articles shall hereafter contain the substance of this section.

Men subject to regulations until return or discharge.

How long held in service after arrival.

Additional pay for detention service.

This section to be contained in shipping-articles.

Approved, March 3, 1875.

**CHAP. 156.**—An act to promote economy and efficiency in the marine-hospital service

March 3, 1875.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be prepared a schedule of the average number of seamen required in the safe and ordinary navigation of registered, enrolled, and licensed vessels of the United States, basing such schedule upon the differences in rig, tonnage, and kind of traffic. And from and after the completion and publication of said schedule, hospital-dues, at the rate and for the periods prescribed in sections four thousand five hundred and eighty-five and four thousand five hundred and eighty-seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States, shall be assessed and collected, from the master or owner of each vessel subject to such dues, upon the average number of seamen as set forth in said schedule: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be held to debar masters or owners of vessels from deducting such dues from each seaman's wages, as by law now authorized.

Schedule of average number of seamen required for navigation of registered, &c., vessels.

Hospital-dues to be paid for average number.

R. S., 4585, 4587, p. 894.

**SEC. 2.** That from and after May first, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, every vessel subject to hospital-tax, except vessels required by law to carry crew-lists, shall have and keep on board, subject to inspection and verification at all times by any officer of the customs, a seaman's time-book, which shall be furnished by the Treasury Department; and in which time-book shall be entered the name, date of shipment, and date of discharge of every seaman employed on board such vessel; and the master or owner of any vessel subject to hospital-tax, vessels carrying crew-lists as above excepted, shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars for each and every seaman found employed on board his vessel without a corresponding entry in said time-book; and the sums so forfeited shall be collected by the collector of customs upon the sworn statement of the customs-officers who make the inspections, and shall be paid into the Treasury to the credit of the marine-hospital fund, for the general purposes of which fund said sums are hereby appropriated.

Seaman's time-book to be kept on vessels subject to hospital-tax, except.

Entries in time-book.

Penalty for omissions.

Collection and appropriation of penalty.

Term "seaman."

**SEC. 3.** That term "seaman," wherever employed in legislation relating to the marine-hospital service, shall be held to include any person employed on board in the care, preservation, or navigation of any vessel, or in the service, on board, of those engaged in such care, preservation, or navigation.

**SEC. 4.** That the Secretary of the Treasury may rent or lease such marine-hospital buildings, and the lands appertaining thereto, as he may deem advisable in the interests of the marine-hospital service; and the proceeds of such rents or leases are hereby appropriated for the said service.

Leasing of hospital-buildings. Appropriation of proceeds.