June 7, 1864.  

CHAP. CXL.—An Act to provide for granting an honorable Discharge to Coal-heavers and Firemen in the Naval Service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That honorable discharges may be granted to coal-heavers and firemen in the naval service of the United States in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as such discharges are now granted to seamen, ordinary seamen, landsmen, and boys.

Approved, June 7, 1864.

June 8, 1864.  

CHAP. CXIII.—An Act to create an additional Supervising Inspector of Steamboats and two local Inspectors of Steamboats for the Collection District of Memphis, Tennessee, and two local Inspectors for the Collection District of Oregon, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be designated and appointed, in the mode prescribed by law, and who shall be paid the same annual compensation as is now paid, one additional supervising inspector of steamboats, and two local inspectors of steamboats, at Portland, in the collection district of Oregon, and two for the collection district of Memphis, Tennessee, at an annual compensation of seven hundred dollars, to be paid as provided by law, as in case of other like inspectors; and said inspectors shall perform the duties and be subject to the provisions of the steamboat act of August thirtieth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That so much of said act as provides for the appointment of two local inspectors of steamboats in the district of Wheeling, on the Ohio River, and for their compensation, is hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That each engineer and pilot, licensed according to the provisions of said act, shall pay for every certificate granted by any inspector or inspectors, the sum of ten dollars, to be accounted for in the mode provided by law.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the forty-second section of the act of August thirty, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, be so construed as to require the inspection of the hull and boiler, in the manner prescribed by that act, of every vessel propelled in whole or in part by steam, and engaged as a ferry-boat, tug or towing-boat, or canal-boat, in all cases where, under the laws of the United States, such vessels may be engaged in the commerce with foreign nations, or among the several states.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That all engineers and pilots of ferry-boats, tug-boats, towing-boats, or canal-boats, subject to inspection by this act, shall be classified and licensed in the same manner as are pilots and engineers by said act of August thirty, eighteen hundred and fifty-two.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That, in lieu of the fees for inspection required by the thirty-first section of the act of August thirty, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, the following shall be paid: For each vessel of one hundred tons or under, twenty-five dollars, and in addition thereto for each one hundred tons, over the first one hundred tons, five dollars.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That all parts of the act aforesaid, which are suspended by or are inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved, June 8, 1864.

June 8, 1864.  

CHAP. CXIV.—An Act to punish and prevent the Counterfeiting of Coin of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if any person
or persons, except as now authorized by law, shall hereafter make, or
cause to be made, or shall utter or pass, or attempt to utter or pass, any
coins of gold or silver, or other metals or alloys of metals, intended for
the use and purpose of current money; whether in the resemblance of
coins of the United States or of foreign countries, or of original design,
every person so offending shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by fine
not exceeding three thousand dollars, or by imprisonment for a term not
exceeding five years, or both, at the discretion of the court, according to
the aggravation of the offence.

APPROVED, June 8, 1864.

CHAP. CXV.—An Act to provide for the Payment of the second Regiment, third Brigade,
Ohio Volunteer Militia, during the Time they were mustered into the Service of the United
States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the second regiment, third
brigade, Ohio volunteer militia, mustered into the service of the United
States at Cincinnati, Ohio, on the fourth day of September, eighteen hun-
dred and sixty-two, notwithstanding irregularity may have occurred in the
manner of their mustering into the service of the United States, be paid
for the time the officers and men were in the service, respectively, after
being so mustered, not, however, to exceed the period of thirty days.

APPROVED, June 8, 1864.

CHAP. CXVI.—An Act to provide for the Execution of Treaties between the United
States and foreign Nations respecting Consular Jurisdiction over the Crews of Vessels of such
foreign Nations in the Waters and Ports of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That, in all cases where it
may have been or shall hereafter be stipulated by treaty or convention
between the United States and any foreign nation to the effect that the
consul-general, consuls, vice-consuls, or consular or commercial agents of
the two nations, respectively, shall have exclusive jurisdiction of contro-
versies, difficulties, or disorders arising at sea or in the waters or ports of
the one nation, between the master or other officer or officers and any of
the crew, or between any of these last themselves, of any ship or vessel
belonging to the other nation, such stipulations shall be executed and
enforced within the jurisdiction of the United States as hereinafter de-
clared: Provided, That before this act shall take effect as to the ships
and vessels of any particular nation having such treaty with the United
States, the President of the United States shall have been satisfied that
similar provisions have been made for the execution of such treaty by
the other contracting party, and shall have issued his proclamation to that
effect, declaring this act to be in force as to such nation.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That in all cases within the pur-
view of this act the consul-general, consul, or other consular or commer-
cial authority of such foreign nation charged with the appropriate duty
in the particular case, may make application to any court of record of the
United States, or any judge thereof, or to any commissioner appointed
under the laws of the United States, to take bail or affidavits, or for other
judicial purposes whatsoever, setting forth that such controversy, diffi-
culty, or disorder has arisen, briefly stating the nature thereof, and when
and where the same occurred, and exhibiting a certified copy or extract
of the shipping-articles, roll, or other proper paper of the ship or vessel,
to the effect that the person in question is of the crew or ship’s company
of such ship or vessel; and further stating and certifying that such person
has withdrawn himself, or is believed to be about to withdraw himself,
from the control and discipline of the master and officers of the said ship