with by such owners or master; and in case such owners or master shall neglect or refuse to comply with provisions of this section, he or they shall furthermore forfeit and pay for each offence one hundred dollars, and such fine shall be a lien upon the vessel until paid.

SEC. 9. And be it further enacted, That informers shall be entitled to one half of any penalty or fine collected under this act, or the said act of March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, upon their information.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That all steamers and other vessels belonging to a citizen or to citizens of the United States, and bound from any port in the United States to any other port therein, or to any foreign port, or from any foreign port to any port in the United States, shall, before clearance, receive on board all such bullion, coin, United States notes and bonds and other securities as the government of the United States or any department thereof, or any minister, consul, vice-consul, or commercial or other agent of the United States abroad shall offer, and shall securely convey and promptly deliver the same to the proper authorities or consignees on arriving at the port of destination, and shall receive for such service such reasonable compensation as may be allowed to other carriers in the ordinary transactions of business.

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Appropriation, on board certain gold, &c.

Repealing clause.

Either party may abrogate these provisions by two years’ notice.

Appropriation for testing certain submarine inventions.

PROVIDED, however, That the above provisions are made upon the express condition that they may be abrogated by either congress or the publishers of the Congressional Globe and Appendix at any time after giving two years notice for that purpose.

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Of the Secretary of the Navy to experiment upon such devices for submarine operations as may be recommended as worthy of practical test by a commission of competent naval officers and scientific men, now or hereafter to be organized for their examination.

Approved, July 4, 1864.

CHAP. CCLII. — An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to provide for the Education of Naval Constructors and Steam Engineers, 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 the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to provide, by regulations to be issued by him, for the education of such midshipmen or others at the Naval Academy as show a peculiar aptitude therefor as naval constructors, or civil and steam engineers, and may form a separate class for this purpose, to be styled cadet engineers, or otherwise afford to such persons all proper facilities for such a scientific mechanical education as will fit them for such professions.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That, upon the recommendation of the academic board, such persons connected with the scientific and mechanical class as graduate therein with credit, may be immediately appointed as assistant naval constructors or warranted as engineers.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That cadet engineers, not to exceed fifty in number, shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Navy: Provided, That no person, other than midshipmen, shall be eligible for such appointment who shall not produce satisfactory evidence of mechanical skill and proficiency, and that he has been employed at least two years in the actual fabrication of steam machinery.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That cadet engineers, when appointed, shall be under eighteen years of age, and shall have passed a mental and physical examination. They shall be admitted to the Naval Academy, where they shall be examined from time to time, according to the regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy; and if found deficient at any examination, or dismissed for misconduct, they shall not be continued in the academy, or in the service, except upon recommendation of the academic board.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the academic course of cadet engineers shall be two years, and their pay the same as that of midshipmen.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That the number of chief engineers shall not exceed one for each first and second rate vessel in the navy, with such first, second, and third assistant engineers, or those acting as such, as the wants of the service actually require. And that, from and after the passage of this act, the annual pay of the engineer officers of the navy, on the active list, shall be as follows: —

Every chief engineer on duty, for the first five years after the date of his commission, two thousand two hundred dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

After fifteen years after the date of his commission, three thousand dollars.

Every chief engineer on leave or waiting orders, for the first five years after the date of his commission, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, one thousand six hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission, one thousand seven hundred dollars.