THIRTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS. Sess. II. Ch. 22, 23. 1865.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in lieu of any bonds authorized to be issued by the first section of the act entitled "An act to provide ways and means for the support of the government," approved June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, that may remain unsold at the date of this act, the Secretary of the Treasury may issue, under the authority of said act, treasury notes of the description and character authorized by the second section of said act: Provided, That the whole amount of bonds authorized as aforesaid, and treasury notes issued and to be issued in lieu thereof, shall not exceed the sum of four hundred millions of dollars; and such treasury notes may be disposed of for lawful money, or for any other treasury notes or certificates of indebtedness of, or certificates of deposit issued under any previous act of congress; and such notes shall be exempt from taxation by or under state or municipal authority.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That any bonds known as five-twenties, issued under the act of twenty-fifth February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, remaining unsold to an amount not exceeding four millions of dollars, may be disposed of by the Secretary of the Treasury in the United States, or, if he shall find it expedient, in Europe, at any time, on such terms as he may deem most advisable: Provided, That this act shall not be so construed as to give any authority for the issue of any legal tender notes, in any form, beyond the balance unissued of the amount authorized by the second section of the act to which this is an amendment.

APPROVED, January 28, 1865.

CH. XXIII. — An Act making Appropriations for the Service of the Post-Office Department during the fiscal Year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, for the service of the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, out of any moneys in the treasury arising from the revenues of the said department, in conformity to the act of the second of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six: —

For transportation of the mails, (inland,) seven million eight hundred thousand dollars.

For ship, steamboat, and way letters, eight thousand dollars.

For compensation to postmasters, three million one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

For clerks for post-offices, one million three hundred thousand dollars.

For payment to letter-carriers, four hundred thousand dollars.

For wrapping paper, seventy-five thousand dollars.

For twine, seventeen thousand dollars.

For office stamps, six thousand dollars.

For letter balances, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation to blank agents and assistants, seven thousand dollars.

For office furniture, two thousand dollars.

For advertising, sixty-eight thousand dollars.

For postage stamps and stamped envelopes, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

For mail depredations and special envelopes, seventy thousand dollars.

For mail-bags, sixty thousand dollars.

For mail locks and keys, eight thousand dollars.

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Treasury notes may be issued in lieu of bonds.

Bonds and notes not to exceed $400,000,000 how disposed of;

exempt from taxation.

SEC. 2. Certain five-twenties may be sold.

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No additional legal tender notes authorized hereby.

Post-office appropriation.

Transportation of mails.

Ship, &c., letters.

Postmasters.

Clerks.

Letter-carriers.

Wrapping paper, twine, stamps, &c.

Blank agents, &c.

Advertising.

Postage stamps and envelopes.

Special agents.

Mail bags, locks and keys.