

Assistant appraisers may be required to work more than usual business hours.

crease of importation, or from any other cause, there shall be found upon the floors of the public stores in the city of New York an accumulation of merchandise awaiting appraisement, it shall be the duty of the appraiser, under regulations established by the Secretary of the Treasury, to direct the assistant appraisers, and others associated with them in this branch of the public business, to devote time beyond the usual business hours, in each day, during daylight, to their respective duties, to the end that the business of appraisement may be faithfully and more promptly despatched.

Aids to the revenue to have pay of inspectors of customs.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That all aids to the revenue or others performing the duties of inspectors of customs in any collection district, shall be paid the same per diem compensation as inspectors of customs.

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CHAP. CCLXXXV. — *An Act for the Relief of Sufferers by Fire at Portland.*

Certain imports at Portland, Me., to be free of duty.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That on all goods, wares, and merchandise which may be sent from places without the limits of the United States, as gratuitous contributions to the relief of sufferers by the fire which occurred at Portland, Maine, July fourth and fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, shall, when imported at the port of Portland and consigned to the proper authority for distribution, be admitted free of duty.

Drawback of import duties on materials used in buildings erected on the ground burned over.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be allowed and paid, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe, on all materials actually used in buildings erected on the ground burned over by said fire, a drawback of the import duties paid on the same: *Provided*, That said materials shall have been imported at the port of Portland during the term of one year from and after said fifth day of July, 1866.

Proviso.

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CHAP. CCLXXXVI. — *An Act to prevent the Wearing of Sheath Knives by American Seamen.*

Seamen in merchant service not to wear sheath knives.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the existing regulation for the government of the navy of the United States, prohibiting the wearing of sheath knives on shipboard is hereby extended and made applicable to all seamen in the merchant service.

Persons offering to ship as seamen to be notified of law.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the master or other officer in command of any ship or vessel registered, enrolled, or licensed under the laws of the United States, and of the owner or other person entering into contract for the employment of a seaman or other subordinate upon any such ship or vessel, to inform every person offering to ship himself of the provisions of this law, and to require his compliance therewith, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each omission, to be sued for and recovered in the name of the United States of America, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, one half for the benefit of the informer and the other half for the benefit of the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen.

Penalty.

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