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.

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.

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.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be allowed and
paid, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall pre-
scribe, 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.

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CHAP. CCLXXXVI. — An Act to prevent the Wearing of Sheath Knives by Ameri-
can Seamen.

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 wear-
ing of sheath knives on shipboard is hereby extended and made appli-
cable to all seamen in the merchant service.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the mas-
ter 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.

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