PUBLIC ACTS OF THE FORTY-SIXTH CONGRESS
OF THE
UNITED STATES,
Passed at the second session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the
District of Columbia, on Monday, the first day of December, 1879, and was adjourned
without day on Wednesday, the sixteenth day of June, 1880.

RUTHERFORD B. HAYES, President: WILLIAM A. WHEELER, Vice-President, and
President of the Senate. ALLEN G. THURMAN was elected President of the Senate
pro tempore on the seventh of April, 1880. He was again chosen on the sixth day of
May, 1880. SAMUEL J. RANDALL was elected Speaker of the House of Represen-
tatives on the eighteenth day of March, 1880, and acted as such until the twenty-first
day of March, 1880, when he authorized JOSEPH C. S. BLACKBURN to act in his
stead as Speaker pro tempore for one day. On the twenty-sixth day of April, 1880,
Mr. BLACKBURN was appointed Speaker pro tempore, to act as such for three days;
and on the twenty-fourth day of May, 1880, Mr. BLACKBURN was again appointed
Speaker pro tempore, to act as such until the return of the Speaker.

CHAP. 1.—An act authorizing an allowance for loss by leakage or casualty of spirits
withdrawn from distillery warehouses for exportation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That where spirits are with-
drawn from distillery warehouses for exportation according to law, it
shall be lawful, under such rules and regulations and limitation as shall
be prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, with the ap-
proval of the Secretary of the Treasury, for an allowance to be made for
loss or leakage or loss by an unavoidable accident, and without any fraud or
negligence of the distiller, owner, exporter, carrier, or their agents or
employees, occurring during transportation from a distillery warehouse
to the port of export; nor shall any assessment be collected for such
loss or leakage where the same has not been paid on distilled spirits ex-
ported since the first day of May, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

SEC. 2. That where the spirits provided for in the preceding section
are covered by a valid claim of insurance in excess of the market value
thereof, exclusive of the tax, the tax upon such spirits shall not be re-
mitted to the extent of such excessive insurance.

Approved, December 20, 1879.

CHAP. 2.—An act relating to printing impressions from portraits and vignettes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treas-
ury at the request of a Senator, Representative, or Delegate in Congress,
the head of a department or bureau, art association, or library, be, and
he is hereby authorized to furnish impressions from any portrait or vig-
nette which is now, or may hereafter be, a part of the engraved stock
of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, at such rates and under such
conditions as he may deem necessary to protect the public interests.

Approved, December 22, 1879.

CHAP. 4.—An act making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pen-
sions of the United States for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred
and eighty-one.

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 out of any money in the Treasury not

Dec. 20, 1879.
Distilled spirits.

Sec. 2. That where the spirits provided for in the preceding section
are covered by a valid claim of insurance in excess of the market value
thereof, exclusive of the tax, the tax upon such spirits shall not be re-
mitted to the extent of such excessive insurance.

Approved, December 20, 1879.

Impressions of
portraits and vig-
nettes may be fur-
nished, &c.

Jan. 13, 1880.
Pensions, 1881.
Appropriations.