CHAP. 12.—An act to provide an American register for the steamer Jamaica, of New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Navigation is hereby authorized and directed to cause the foreign-built steamer Vertumnus, owned at the port of New York, State of New York, by Gerhard Wessels, an American citizen, and rebuilt by him at Brooklyn, New York, to be registered as a vessel of the United States under the name of Jamaica.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to authorize and direct the inspection of said steam-vessel, steam-boiler, steam-pipes, and the appurtenances of said boiler, and cause to be granted the proper and usual certificate issued to steam-vessels of the merchant marine, without reference to the fact that said steam-boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances were not constructed pursuant to the laws of the United States, and were not constructed of iron stamped pursuant to said laws; and the tests to be applied on the inspection of said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances will be the same in all respects as to strength and safety as are required in the inspection of boilers constructed in the United States for marine purposes, save that the fact that said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances not being constructed pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the United States, and are of unstamped iron, shall not be an obstacle to the granting of the usual certificate if said boiler, steam-pipes, and appurtenances are found to be of sufficient strength and safety.

Approved, February 13, 1890.

CHAP. 13.—An act to modify existing laws relating to duties on imports and the collection of the revenue.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on and after the passage and approval of this act the following amendments to, and provision for, existing laws shall take effect, as follows:

Section six of the act of March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, entitled "An act to reduce internal-revenue taxation, and for other purposes," providing a substitute for title thirty-three of the Revised Statutes of the United States, is hereby amended as to the following section or part of section or schedule in such substituted title as follows:

Import duty on hat materials modified.

Section 2502, Schedule N, strike out the clause of this schedule commencing with the words "hats, and so forth, materials for," and insert in lieu thereof the following: Braids, plaits, flats, willow sheets, and squares fit only for use in making or ornamenting hats, bonnets, and hoods, composed of straw, chip, grass, palmleaf, willow, hair, whalebone, or any vegetable material, not specially enumerated or provided for twenty per centum ad valorem.

Repeal.

SEC. 2. All laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, February 18, 1890.

CHAP. 14.—An act to constitute Albany, New York, a port of immediate transportation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the privileges of the seventh section of the act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An act to amend the statutes in relation