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CHAP. XXXII. — *An Act to prevent loaning Money upon United States Notes.*

Banking associations not to loan money upon United States notes, nor withhold them from use, &c.

Penalty.
1864, ch. 106.
Vol. xiii. p. 116.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no national banking association shall hereafter offer or receive United States notes or national bank notes as security or as collateral security for any loan of money, or for a consideration shall agree to withhold the same from use, or shall offer or receive the custody or promise of custody of such notes as security, or as collateral security, or consideration for any loan of money; and any national banking association offending against the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof in any United States court having jurisdiction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, and by a further sum equal to one third of the money so loaned; and the officer or officers of said bank who shall make such loan or loans shall be liable for a further sum equal to one quarter of the money so loaned; and the prosecution of such offenders shall be commenced and conducted as provided for the punishment of offences in an act to provide a national currency, approved June third, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and the fine or penalty so recovered shall be for the benefit of the party bringing such suit.

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CHAP. XXXIII.— *An Act to locate and establish an Assay Office in the Territory of Idaho.*

Assay office to be established at Boise City, Idaho.

Officers.

Salaries.

Officers and clerks to take oath.
1862, ch. 128.
Vol. xii. p. 502.

Bond.

Director of mint to conduct the business.

Regulations, returns, charges, &c.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a United States assay office be located and established at Boise City, in the Territory of Idaho, for the assaying of gold and silver. For the carrying on of the business of said office the following officers shall be appointed, as soon as the public interest shall require their service, upon the nomination of the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, namely: One superintendent, one assayer, and one melter and refiner, and two clerks, and the superintendent may employ as many subordinate workmen and laborers, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, as may be required. The salaries of the said officers and clerks shall be as follows: To the superintendent, the sum of two thousand dollars; to the assayer, the sum of eighteen hundred dollars; to the melter and refiner, eighteen hundred dollars; to the clerks, one eighteen hundred dollars, and one sixteen hundred dollars; to the subordinate workmen and laborers such wages and allowances as are customary, according to their respective stations and occupations.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the officers and clerks to be appointed under this act, before entering upon the execution of their offices, shall take an oath or affirmation before some judge of the United States or of the supreme court of said Territory, as prescribed by the act of July second, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and each become bound to the United States of America, with one or more sureties, to the satisfaction of the director of the mint or of one of the judges of the supreme court of Idaho Territory and of the Secretary of the Treasury, with the condition of the faithful performance of the duties of their offices.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the general direction of the business of said assay office of the United States shall be under the control and regulation of the director of the mint at Philadelphia, subject to the approbation of the Secretary; and for that purpose it shall be the duty of the said director to prescribe such regulations, and to require such returns periodically and occasionally, and to establish such charges for parting, assaying, melting, and refining, as shall appear to him to be necessary for the purpose of carrying into effect the intention of this act in establishing said assay office.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That said assay office shall be a place of deposit for such public moneys as the Secretary of the Treasury may direct. And the superintendent of said assay office who shall perform the duties of treasurer thereof, shall have the custody of the same, and also perform the duties of assistant treasurer; and for that purpose shall be subject to all the provisions contained in an act [entitled] "An act to provide for the better organization of the treasury, and for the collection, safe-keeping, transfer and disbursement of the public revenue," approved August sixth, eighteen hundred and forty-six, which relates to the treasury of the branch mint of New Orleans.

Assay office to be place of deposit for public moneys. 1846, ch. 90. Vol. ix. p. 59.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the superintendent of said assay office be authorized, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, and on terms to be prescribed by him, to issue in payment of the gold dust and bullion deposited for assay and coinage, or bars, drafts, or certificates of deposit, in sums of not less than one hundred dollars, payable at the treasury, or any sub-treasury of the United States, to any depositor electing to receive payment in that form.

Certificates of deposit to be issued in payment of gold dust, &c.;

where payable.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the United States treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended in the construction of said assay office, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed, on the passage of this act, to order the immediate construction of said assay office.

Appropriation for construction of assay office.

Construction to be commenced at once.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That all the laws and parts of laws now in force for the regulation of the United States assay office at New York, and for the government of the officers and persons employed therein, and for the punishment of all offences connected with said assay office, or with the mint of the United States, shall be, and they are hereby, declared to be in full force in relation to the assay office by this act located and established, so far as the same may be applicable thereto.

Laws of the United States extended hereto.

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CHAP. XXXIV.—*An Act to give an additional Term of the United States Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas.*

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That instead of one term a year, as now prescribed by law, the circuit court of the United States for the eastern district of Arkansas shall hereafter be held on the second Mondays of April and October in each year.

Terms of circuit court in Arkansas.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall be in force from and after the passage thereof.

When act takes effect.

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CHAP. XXXV.—*An Act to authorize the Importation of Machinery, for Repair only, free of Duty.*

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That machinery for repair may be imported into the United States without payment of duty, under bond to be given in double the appraised value thereof, to be withdrawn and exported after said machinery shall have been repaired; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary to protect the revenue against fraud, and secure the identity and character of all such importations when again withdrawn and exported, restricting and limiting the export and withdrawal to the same port of entry where imported, and also limiting all bonds to a period of time of not more than six months from the date of the importation.

Machinery imported for repair only, to be free of duty. Rules, &c.

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