

award in acknowledgment of the services of masters and crews of foreign vessels in rescuing American citizens from shipwreck.

Appointments made by reason of fitness, and not for political reasons.

SECTION TEN.—That the appointment of district superintendents, inspectors, and keepers and crews of life-saving stations shall be made solely with reference to their fitness, and without reference to their political or party affiliations.

SECTION ELEVEN.—That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, May 4, 1882.

May 4, 1882.

CHAP. 118.—An act to amend the laws with reference to elections in West Virginia

West Virginia.
Election of Representatives for the Forty-eighth Congress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on the second Tuesday of October, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, there shall be elected in each Congressional District in the State of West Virginia, one representative to represent said State of West Virginia in the Forty-eighth Congress.

SEC. 2.—That said election shall be conducted according to the laws now in force, except so far as the same relate to and fix the time of such election.

Approved, May 4, 1882.

May 4, 1882.

CHAP. 119.—An act making an immediate appropriation for the removal of obstructions at Hell Gate, New York.

Removal of obstructions from Hell Gate, N. Y.
Appropriation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of fifty thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the removal of obstructions in East River, Hell Gate, New York, the same to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, and to be immediately available.

Approved, May 4, 1882.

May 4, 1882.

CHAP. 120.—An act to repeal the discriminating duties on goods produced east of the Cape of Good Hope.

Repeal of discriminating duties on goods produced east of the Cape of Good Hope when imported from places west of the Cape of Good Hope, from and after January 1, 1883.

R. S., 2501, 459, repealed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section two thousand five hundred and one of the Revised Statutes of the United States which reads as follows:

“There shall be levied, collected and paid on all goods, wares, and merchandise of the growth or produce of the countries east of the Cape of Good Hope (except wool, raw cotton and raw silk, as reeled from the cocoon, or not further advanced than tram, thrown, or organzine,) when imported from places west of the Cape of Good Hope, a duty of ten per centum ad valorem in addition to the duties imposed on any such article when imported directly from the place or places of their growth or production”, be and the same is hereby repealed from and after the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty-three.

Approved, May 4, 1882.

May 6, 1882.

CHAP. 126.—An act to execute certain treaty stipulations relating to Chinese.

Preamble.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Government of the United States the coming of Chinese laborers to this country endangers the good order of certain localities within the territory thereof: Therefore,