

CHAP. XXII. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide Ways and Means for the Support of the Government, and for other Purposes," approved June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.*

Jan. 28, 1865.  
1864, ch. 172.  
Ante, p. 218.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in lieu of any bonds authorized to be issued by the first section of the act entitled "An act to provide ways and means for the support of the government," approved June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, that may remain unsold at the date of this act, the Secretary of the Treasury may issue, under the authority of said act, treasury notes of the description and character authorized by the second section of said act: *Provided,* That the whole amount of bonds authorized as aforesaid, and treasury notes issued and to be issued in lieu thereof, shall not exceed the sum of four hundred millions of dollars; and such treasury notes may be disposed of for lawful money, or for any other treasury notes or certificates of indebtedness or certificates of deposit issued under any previous act of congress; and such notes shall be exempt from taxation by or under state or municipal authority.

Treasury notes may be issued in lieu of bonds.

Bonds and notes not to exceed \$400,000,000 how disposed of; exempt from taxation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That any bonds known as five-twenties, issued under the act of twenty-fifth February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, remaining unsold to an amount not exceeding four millions of dollars, may be disposed of by the Secretary of the Treasury in the United States, or, if he shall find it expedient, in Europe, at any time, on such terms as he may deem most advisable: *Provided,* That this act shall not be so construed as to give any authority for the issue of any legal tender notes, in any form, beyond the balance unissued of the amount authorized by the second section of the act to which this is an amendment.

Certain five-twenties may be sold.  
1862, ch. 33.  
Vol. xii. p. 345.

No additional legal tender notes authorized hereby.

APPROVED, January 28, 1865.

CHAP. XXIII. — *An Act making Appropriations for the Service of the Post-Office Department during the fiscal Year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.*

Jan. 28, 1865.

*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, for the service of the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, out of any moneys in the treasury arising from the revenues of the said department, in conformity to the act of the second of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six: —

Post-office appropriation.

For transportation of the mails, (inland,) seven million eight hundred thousand dollars.

Transportation of mails.

For ship, steamboat, and way letters, eight thousand dollars.

Ship, &c., letters.

For compensation to postmasters, three million one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

Postmasters.

For clerks for post-offices, one million three hundred thousand dollars.

Clerks.

For payment to letter-carriers, four hundred thousand dollars.

Letter-carriers.

For wrapping paper, seventy-five thousand dollars.

Wrapping paper, twine, stamps, &c.

For twine, seventeen thousand dollars.

For office stamps, six thousand dollars.

For letter balances, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For compensation to blank agents and assistants, seven thousand dollars.

Blank agents, &c.

For office furniture, two thousand dollars.

For advertising, sixty-eight thousand dollars.

Advertising.

For postage stamps and stamped envelopes, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Postage stamps and envelopes.

For mail depredations and special agents, seventy thousand dollars.

Special agents.

For mail-bags, sixty thousand dollars.

Mail bags, locks and keys.

For mail locks and keys, eight thousand dollars.

Balances to foreign countries. For payment of balances due to foreign countries, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Foreign mail transportation. For miscellaneous payments, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.  
For foreign mail transportation, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

APPROVED, January 28, 1865.

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Jan. 30, 1865. CHAP. XXIV. — *An Act to amend the Charter of the "Washington Gas-Light Company."*

Price of gas in Washington, D. C.  
1860, ch. 211.  
Vol. xii. p. 107.  
1862, ch. 143.  
Vol. xii. p. 534.  
1848, ch. 96.  
Vol. ix. p. 722.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That so much of the acts of June twenty-five, eighteen hundred and sixty, and July eleven, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, as relate to the price of gas furnished by the "Washington Gas-Light Company," be, and the same are hereby, repealed; and the act incorporating the "Washington Gas-Light Company" is hereby so amended as to prohibit the said company from receiving, on and after the first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, for the benefit of its stockholders, a greater price for gas than forty cents per hundred cubic feet, subject to a discount of ten per centum on all bills for gas furnished to the general government, and five per centum on all bills for gas furnished to other consumers, if paid at the office of the company within seven days from the rendition thereof.

APPROVED, January 30, 1865.

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Jan. 30, 1865. CHAP. XXV. — *An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Metropolitan Railroad Company, in the District of Columbia," approved July first, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.*

1864, ch. 190,  
§ 17.  
*Ante*, p. 329.

Time for completing portion of road extended.

Proviso.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section seventeen of the act to incorporate the Metropolitan Railroad Company, of the District of Columbia, approved July first, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to extend the time for the completion of their railroad line, except that part thereof between Seventeenth Street and the Capitol, for one year from the passage of this act: *Provided, however,* That the line from Seventeenth Street and the Capitol be completed, equipped, and running, within thirty days from the passage of this act.

APPROVED, January 30, 1865.

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Jan. 30, 1865. CHAP. XXVI. — *An Act to amend the Act entitled "An Act to amend and extend the Charter of the Franklin Insurance Company," approved second March, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight.*

Charter of Franklin Insurance Company extended for twenty years.

Acts legalized.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the act to amend and extend the charter of the Franklin Insurance Company, passed on the second day of March, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, be, and the same is hereby, extended and continued in force for the period of twenty years, from the ninth day of April, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, the time at which such amendatory act expired; and that all proceedings had by the said Franklin Insurance Company, and all legal rights accrued or acquired, and all legal obligations entered into by said company between the ninth day of April, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, and the date of this act be, and the same are hereby, made valid for all legal purposes.

Increase of capital stock.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the Franklin Insurance Company are hereby authorized to increase their capital stock to an amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

APPROVED, January 30, 1865.