

PUBLIC ACTS OF THE FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS

OF THE

UNITED STATES,

Passed at the first session, which was begun and held at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the first day of December, 1873, and was adjourned without day on Tuesday, the twenty-third day of June, 1874.

ULYSSES S. GRANT, President. HENRY WILSON, Vice-President and President of the Senate. MATT. H. CARPENTER was elected President of the Senate, *pro tempore*, on the eleventh day of December, 1873, and so acted until the end of the session. JAMES G. BLAINE, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHAP. 1.—An act to provide for the redemption of the loan of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight. Dec. 17, 1873.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That for the purpose of redeeming the bonds issued under the act entitled "An act to authorize a loan not exceeding the sum of twenty millions of dollars," approved June fourteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, as amended March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, called the loan of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, it is hereby declared to be the pleasure of the United States to pay all the coupon bonds of said loan on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, at which date the interest thereon shall cease, and coin in the Treasury sufficient to redeem said coupon bonds is hereby appropriated for that purpose.

Redemption of loan. 1858, ch. 165, vol. xi, p. 365.
1859, ch. 82, § 6, vol. xi, p. 430.
Coupon bonds made payable Jan. 1, 1874.
Interest to cease when.
Appropriation of coin.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury may issue an equal amount, at par of principal and interest, of five-per-centum bonds of the funded loan under the act for refunding the national debt, approved July fourteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy, and the act amendatory thereof, approved January twentieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, for any of the bonds of the loan of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight which the holders thereof may on or before February first, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, elect to exchange for the five-per-centum bonds of the said funded loan, with interest from said January first: *Provided,* That no commissions or allowances whatever shall be paid for the exchange of bonds hereby authorized, and no interest shall be allowed on the new bonds for any time for which interest is paid on the bonds exchanged.

5 per cent. bonds may be issued in exchange for any bonds of loan of 1858.
1870, ch. 256, vol. xvi, p. 272.
1871, ch. 23, vol. xvi, p. 399.
No commissions, &c., to be allowed on exchanges.

Approved, December 17, 1873.

CHAP. 3.—An act making appropriations for extraordinary expenses of the naval service. Dec. 31, 1873.

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 they are hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to meet extraordinary expenses in the naval service during the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, namely:

Appropriation for extraordinary expenses of navy for year ending June 30, 1874.

Pay of navy.	For pay of the navy, three hundred thousand dollars.
Contingent expenses.	For contingent expenses of the Navy Department, twenty-five thousand dollars.
Navigation.	For the Bureau of Navigation, twenty thousand dollars.
Ordnance.	For the Bureau of Ordnance, five hundred thousand dollars.
Equipment and Recruiting.	For the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting, five hundred thousand dollars.
Yards and Docks.	For the Bureau of Yards and Docks, twenty thousand dollars.
Provisions and Clothing.	For the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing, three hundred thousand dollars.
Steam-Engineering.	For the Bureau of Steam-Engineering, three hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars.
Construction and Repair.	For the Bureau of Construction and Repair, two million dollars.

Approved, December 31, 1873.

Jan. 5, 1874.

CHAP. 5.—An act to establish a post route from the village of L'Anse, in the county of Houghton and State of Michigan, to Huron Bay, in said county and State.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a post route from the village of L'Anse, in the county of Houghton and State of Michigan, to Huron Bay, in said county and State, be, and the same is hereby, established.

Approved, January 5, 1874.

Jan. 6, 1874.

CHAP. 6.—An act relating to the limitation of steam pressure of vessels used exclusively for towing and carrying freight on the Mississippi river and its tributaries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the better security of life on vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam," &c., approved February twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, so far as they relate to the limitation of steam pressure of steamboats used exclusively for towing and carrying freight on the Mississippi river and its tributaries, are hereby so far modified as to substitute for such boats one hundred and fifty pounds of steam pressure in place of one hundred and ten pounds, as provided in said act for the standard pressure upon standard boilers of forty-two inches diameter, and of plates of one-quarter of an inch in thickness; and such boats may, on the written permit of the supervising inspector of the district in which such boats shall carry on their business, be permitted to carry steam above the standard pressure of one hundred and ten pounds; but not exceeding the standard pressure of one hundred and fifty pounds to the square inch.

Approved, January 6, 1874.

Jan. 8, 1874.

CHAP. 7.—An act to so amend the laws relative to internal revenue as to allow distillery warehouses to be continued in use after changes have occurred in the management of the business

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when from death or from any other cause there shall be a change in the person, firm or company engaged in the business of distilling at any distillery, and the person, firm or company that by reason of such change ceases to carry on said business at such distillery has at the time of such change spirits in the