Pay of inspectors of customs in certain ports may be increased until July 1, 1865. [Extended to July 1, 1866. *Post*, p. 460.]

Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized to increase the compensation of inspectors of customs in such ports as he may think it advisable so to do, and may designate, by adding to the present compensation of said officers a sum not exceeding one dollar per day. But the increase hereby authorized shall not extend beyond July first, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.

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Chap. LXXII. — *An Act in Reference to Donation Claims in Oregon and Washington.*

Subdivision of donation claims in Oregon and Washington.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever it shall appear that two donation settlers in the state of Oregon or Washington territory shall hold their conterminous improvements in such a manner as may require a half quarter section to be divided into two equal parts by a line north and south or east and west, it shall and may be lawful for the commissioner of the general land-office to issue patents recognizing for each claimant such subdivisions; this enactment to include cases existing at the date of this act, where the claim may be proved and established according to law.

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Chap. LXXIII. — *An Act for the Relief of Postmasters who have been robbed by confederate Forces or Rebel Guerrillas.*

Postmasters without fault robbed by guerrillas, &c., of stamps, &c., to be credited with the amount.

1865, ch. 89, § 2.

Post, p. 505.

When money is to be refunded.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where loyal postmasters have been robbed by confederate forces or rebel guerrillas, of post-office stamps, stamped envelopes, or of money received and collected for, belonging to, and held for the government of the United States, and where such robbery has not been caused by the default or negligence of the postmaster, the Postmaster-General shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to credit such postmaster, in the settlement of his accounts, with the amount of which he may have been so robbed. And in cases where no such credit has been allowed, and the postmaster has been required to and has accounted for and paid over to the Post-Office Department the sum or sums of which he may have been so robbed, as aforesaid, the Postmaster-General is authorized to refund the same to such postmaster.

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May 3, 1864.

Chap. LXXIV. — *An Act to aid the Indian Refugees to return to their Homes in the Indian Territory.*

Appropriation for refugee and destitute Indians in the southern superintendency.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the removal and temporary relief of the refugee and destitute Indians in the southern superintendency, viz: for expenses of transportation and subsistence by the way to the Indian territory, fifty-two thousand dollars; for temporary subsistence in the Indian country of refugee and destitute Indians, to the close of the present fiscal year, one hundred and fifty-three thousand dollars; for seeds, ploughs, and necessary agricultural implements, to enable them to raise a crop the present season, eighteen thousand dollars.

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