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to alter, amend, or repeal the said acts hereinbefore mentioned; and this act shall be subject to alteration, amendment, or repeal, as, in the opinion of Congress, justice or the public welfare may require. And nothing herein contained shall be held to deny, exclude, or impair any right or remedy in the premises now existing in favor of the United States.

Existing remedies.

SEC. 13. That each and every of the provisions in this act contained shall severally and respectively be deemed, taken, and held as in alteration and amendment of said act of eighteen hundred and sixty-two and of said act of eighteen hundred and sixty-four respectively, and of both said acts.

Amending effect of this act.

Approved, May 7, 1878.

CHAP. 106.—An act to amend a joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of War to issue arms, approved July third, eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

May 16, 1878.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a joint resolution, approved July third, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, entitled "Joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of War to issue arms", be amended as follows, by inserting in the fifth line, after the word "States" and before the word "each", the words "and Territories", and by striking out after the word "each" in said fifth line, and before the word "provided" in the sixth line, the words "and not more than five hundred to each of said Territories": *Provided*, That the quota to the States now authorized by law shall not hereby be diminished.

Issue of arms to Territories.
1876, res. 13.
19 Stat., 214,
Amended.

Approved, May 16, 1878.

CHAP. 107.—An act to regulate the advertising of mail lettings, and for other purposes.

May 17, 1878.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That before making any contract for inland mail transportation, other than by railroads and steamboats, except for temporary service, as provided for in an act approved August eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, amendatory of sub-sections two hundred and forty-six and two hundred and fifty-one of section twelve of an act approved June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, the Postmaster-General shall cause to be published, in not exceeding ten newspapers published in the State or Territory in which such service is to be let, one of which shall be published at the seat of government of such State or Territory, once a week, for six consecutive weeks, preceding the time of letting, a notice in displayed type, not to exceed six inches of space in one column of a newspaper of the following purport:

Mail lettings, how advertised.
1876, ch. 260.
19 Stat., 129.

MAIL LETTINGS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Form of notice.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
Washington, D. C. ——, —, 18—.

Proposals will be received at the Contract Office of this Department until —, A. M. of ———, ——, 18—, for carrying the mails of the United States, upon the routes, and according to the schedule of arrival and departure specified by the Department, in the State (or Territory) of ———, from —— 18—, to —— 18—. Lists of routes, with schedules of arrivals and departures, instructions to bidders, with forms for contracts and bonds and all other necessary information will be furnished upon application to the Second Assistant Postmaster-General.

——— ———,
Postmaster-General.