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PUBLIC ACTS OF THE FIFTIETH 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 fifth day of December, 1887, *and was adjourned without day on Saturday, the twentieth day of October,* 1888.

GROVER CLEVELAND, President; JOHN J. INGALLS, President of the Senate *pro tempore;* JOHN G. CARLISLE was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives December fifth, 1887; SAMUEL S. COX was elected Speaker *pro tempore* January seventeenth, 1888; Mr. CARLISLE resumed the duties of Speaker February sixth; SAMUEL S. COX was elected Speaker *pro tempore* February twenty-third; Mr. CARLISLE resumed the duties of Speaker March fourteenth; JAMES H. BLOUNT was elected Speaker *pro tempore* June twenty-eighth; Mr. CARLISLE resumed the duties of Speaker June thirtieth; BENTON MCMILLIN was elected Speaker *pro tempore* July thirty-first; Mr. CARLISLE resumed the duties of Speaker August fourth; SAMUEL S. COX was elected Speaker *pro tempore* September seventeenth; Mr. CARLISLE resumed the duties of Speaker September twenty-fourth.

CHAP. 1.—An act to amend the law concerning the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries. January 20, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section four thousand three hundred and ninety-five of the Revised St tutes of the United States be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows: Fish Commissioner. R. S., sec. 4395, p. 851, amended.

That there shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a person of scientific and practical acquaintance with the fish and fisheries to be a Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, and he shall receive a salary at the rate of five thousand dollars a year, and he shall be removable at the pleasure of the President. Said Commissioner shall not hold any other office or employment under the authority of the United States or any State. Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries. Salary. Not to hold any other office.

Approved, January 20, 1888.

CHAP. 2.—An act relating to permissable marks, printing or writing, upon second, third, and fourth-class matter, and to amend the twenty-second and twenty-third sections of an act entitled "An act making appropriations for the service of the Post-Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, and for other purposes. January 20, 1888.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That mailable matter of the second-class shall contain no writing, print, or sign thereon or therein in addition to the original print, except as herein provided, to wit: the name and address of the person to whom the matter shall be sent, index figures of subscription book either printed or written, the printed title of the publication and the place of its publication, the printed or written name and address without addition of advertisement of the publisher or sender, or both, and written or printed words or figures, or both, indicating the date on which the subscription to such matter will end, the correction of any typographical error, a mark except by written or printed words, to designate a work or passage to which it is desired to call attention; the words "sample copy" when the matter is sent as such, the words "marked copy" when the matter contains a marked item or article, and publishers or news agents may inclose in their publications, bills, Permissible marks on mail matter. Vol. 20, p. 360, 361. Second-class mail matter.