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Third Assistant Postmaster-General.

OFFICE OF THE THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Stamps.

For manufacture of adhesive postage and special-delivery stamps, one hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

Distribution.

For rent of office for use of the agent of the Post-Office Department to supervise the distribution of stamps of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, six hundred dollars.

For pay of agents and assistants to distribute stamps, and expenses of agency, twelve thousand dollars.

Stamped envelopes, etc.

For manufacture of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, eight hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

Distribution.

For pay of agent and assistants to distribute stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, and expenses of agency, seventeen thousand eight hundred dollars.

Postal cards.

For manufacture of postal cards, one hundred and eighty-six thousand dollars.

Distribution.

For pay of agent and assistants to distribute postal cards, and expenses of agency, seven thousand eight hundred dollars.

Official, etc., envelopes.

For registered package, tag, official, and dead-letter envelopes, one hundred and five thousand dollars.

Ship, etc., letters.

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

Printing drafts, etc.

For engraving, printing, and binding drafts and warrants, one thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.

For miscellaneous items, five hundred dollars.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General.

OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Mail depredations.

For mail depredations and post-office inspectors, three hundred thousand dollars.

Rewards, etc.

For payment of rewards for the detection, arrest, and conviction of post-office burglars, robbers, and highway mail robbers, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Detailed estimates, money-order system.

The Postmaster-General shall for the fiscal year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and annually thereafter, submit in the annual estimates to Congress estimates in detail for all expenses of the money-order branch of the postal service.

Appropriation to meet deficiencies.

That if the revenues of the Post-Office Department shall be insufficient to meet the appropriations made by this Act, a sum equal to such deficiency of the revenues of said Department is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply said deficiencies in the revenues for the Post-Office Department for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved, June 9, 1896.

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CHAP. 387.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the protection of the salmon fisheries of Alaska."

Salmon fisheries, Alaska. Vol. 25, p. 1009, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved March second, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and entitled "An Act to provide for the protection of the salmon fisheries of Alaska," is hereby amended and reenacted as follows:

Obstructions in streams preventing ascent of salmon prohibited.

"That the erection of dams, barricades, fish wheels, fences, or any such fixed or stationary obstructions in any part of the rivers or streams of Alaska, or to fish for or catch salmon or salmon trout in any manner or by any means with the purpose or result of preventing or impeding the ascent of salmon to their spawning ground, is declared to be unlawful, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to remove such obstructions and to establish and enforce such regulations and surveillance as may be necessary to insure that this prohibition and all other provisions of law relating to the salmon fisheries of Alaska are strictly complied with.

"SEC. 2. That it shall be unlawful to fish, catch, or kill any salmon of any variety, except with rod or spear, above the tide waters of any of the creeks or rivers of less than five hundred feet width in the Territory of Alaska, except only for purposes of propagation, or to lay or set any drift net, set net, trap, pound net, or seine for any purpose across the tide waters of any river or stream for a distance of more than one-third of the width of such river, stream, or channel, or lay or set any seine or net within one hundred yards of any other net or seine which is being laid or set in said stream or channel, or to take, kill, or fish for salmon in any manner or by any means in any of the waters of the Territory of Alaska, either in the streams or tide waters, except Cook Inlet, Prince William Sound, Bering Sea, and the waters tributary thereto, from midnight on Friday of each week until six o'clock antemeridian of the Sunday following; or to fish for or catch or kill in any manner or by any appliances, except by rod or spear, any salmon in any stream of less than one hundred yards in width in the said Territory of Alaska between the hours of six o'clock in the evening and six o'clock in the morning of the following day of each and every day of the week.

Fishing prohibited above tide waters, except with rod or spear.

Nets, etc., in tide waters.

Total prohibition Saturdays.

No fishing at night except by rod or spear.

"SEC. 3. That the Secretary of the Treasury may, at his discretion, set aside any streams as spawning grounds, in which no fishing will be permitted; and when, in his judgment, the results of fishing operations on any stream indicate that the number of salmon taken is larger than the capacity of the stream to produce, he is authorized to establish weekly close seasons, to limit the duration of the fishing season, or to prohibit fishing entirely for one year or more, so as to permit salmon to increase: *Provided, however*, That such power shall be exercised only after all persons interested shall have been given a hearing, of which hearing due notice must be given by publication: *And provided further*, That it shall have been ascertained that the persons engaged in catching salmon do not maintain fish hatcheries of sufficient magnitude to keep such streams fully stocked.

Spawning grounds.

Close seasons.

Provisos.
Notice.

Hatcheries.

"SEC. 4. That to enforce the provisions of law herein, and such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may establish in pursuance thereof, he is authorized and directed to appoint one inspector of fisheries, at a salary of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum, and two assistant inspectors, at a salary of one thousand six hundred dollars each per annum, and he will annually submit to Congress estimates to cover the salaries and actual traveling expenses of the officers hereby authorized and for such other expenditures as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of the law herein.

Inspectors authorized.

"SEC. 5. That any person violating the provisions of this Act or the regulations established in pursuance thereof shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or imprisonment at hard labor for a term of ninety days, or both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court; and, further, in case of the violation of any of the provisions of section one of this Act and conviction thereof a further fine of two hundred and fifty dollars per diem will be imposed for each day that the obstruction or obstructions therein are maintained."

Punishment for violations.

Approved, June 9, 1896.

CHAP. 394.—An Act Changing the time for holding circuit court of the United States at Hartford, in the district of Connecticut.

June 10, 1896.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a term of the United States circuit court in the district of Connecticut shall be held at Hartford, in said district, on the second Tuesday of October, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, and thereafter in each year on the second Tuesday of October, and that after the third Tuesday of September, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, the term of said circuit court now by law provided to be held annually on the third Tuesday in September shall be discontinued.

Connecticut judicial district.
Terms, Hartford.
R. S., sec. 658, p. 120.

Approved, June 10, 1896.