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SEC. 4. That this Act take effect and be in force from and after the date of its approval. Effect.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

CHAP. 1486.—An Act Restoring James G. Field, naval surgeon, to the line of promotion.

March 3, 1905.
[S. 1786.]
[Public, No. 219.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to restore James G. Field, surgeon, United States Navy (not in the line of promotion), to the line of promotion in accordance with the date of his original commission of May twenty-third, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, to take rank next after Surgeon Eugene P. Stone: *Provided*, That the said Field shall be carried as additional to the number of the grade to which he shall be restored, or at any time thereafter promoted.

Navy.
James G. Field, surgeon.
Restored to line of promotion.

Proviso.
Promotions.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

CHAP. 1487.—An Act To fix the compensation of criers and bailiffs in the United States courts.

March 3, 1905.
[S. 2207.]
[Public, No. 220.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on and after the passage of this Act the per diem pay of all persons employed in any court of the United States under section seven hundred and fifteen of the Revised Statutes, now fixed by law at two dollars a day, shall be three dollars a day.

United States courts.
Criers', etc., pay increased.
R. S., sec. 715, p. 136, amended.

Approved, March 3, 1905.

CHAP. 1488.—An Act To amend section sixty-six of the Act of June eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, entitled "An Act to revise, consolidate, and amend the statutes relating to the Post-Office Department."

March 3, 1905.
[S. 3379.]
[Public, No. 221.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any postmaster, clerk, carrier, or other person in the postal service, employed in the Post-Office Department or elsewhere, notifies the Postmaster-General of his desire to execute a new bond, or whenever any of the sureties of such postmaster, clerk, carrier, or other person, notifies the Postmaster-General of his desire to be released from such suretyship, or whenever the Postmaster-General deems a new bond necessary or expedient, the execution of the new bond may be directed by the Postmaster-General. When accepted by the Postmaster-General the sureties of postmasters in the prior bond shall be released from responsibility for all acts or defaults of the postmaster which may be done or committed subsequent to the last day of the quarter in which such new bond shall be executed and accepted, and the sureties of other persons in the prior bond shall be released from responsibility for all acts or defaults of such persons which may be done or committed subsequent to the day such new bond becomes operative.

Postal service.
Execution of new bonds by officials.
R. S., sec. 3837, p. 751, amended.

Release of sureties.

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