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CHAP. 100.—An Act To prohibit the importation and use of opium for other than medicinal purposes.

Opium.
Importation prohibited.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That after the first day of April, nineteen hundred and nine, it shall be unlawful to import into the United States opium in any form or any preparation or derivative thereof: *Provided*, That opium and preparations and derivatives thereof, other than smoking opium or opium prepared for smoking, may be imported for medicinal purposes only, under regulations which the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to prescribe, and when so imported shall be subject to the duties which are now or may hereafter be imposed by law.

Proviso.
Opium, etc., for medicinal purposes excepted.

Duties.

Penalty for violation.

SEC. 2. That if any person shall fraudulently or knowingly import or bring into the United States, or assist in so doing, any opium or any preparation or derivative thereof contrary to law, or shall receive, conceal, buy, sell, or in any manner facilitate the transportation, concealment, or sale of such opium or preparation or derivative thereof after importation, knowing the same to have been imported contrary to law, such opium or preparation or derivative thereof shall be forfeited and shall be destroyed, and the offender shall be fined in any sum not exceeding five thousand dollars nor less than fifty dollars, or by imprisonment for any time not exceeding two years, or both.

Possession, proof of guilt.

Whenever, on trial for a violation of this section, the defendant is shown to have, or to have had, possession of such opium or preparation or derivative thereof, such possession shall be deemed sufficient evidence to authorize conviction unless the defendant shall explain the possession to the satisfaction of the jury.

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CHAP. 101.—An Act Making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and nine.

Urgent deficiencies appropriations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and nine, namely:

Treasury Department.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Bureau of Engraving and Printing, land for new building.
Ante, p. 319.

Washington, District of Columbia, Bureau of Engraving and Printing: For the purchase of land, in addition to the amount appropriated by Act of May twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and eight, one hundred and forty-six thousand three hundred and four dollars and forty cents.

Ithaca, N. Y. Post-office.

Ithaca, New York, post-office: For completion of building, two thousand dollars.

District of Columbia.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Removal of snow and ice.
Vol. 28, p. 809.

For cleaning snow and ice from cross walks and gutters, under the Act approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, five thousand dollars, one-half of which shall be paid out of the revenues of the District of Columbia and one-half from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Night schools.
Salaries of teachers, etc.

For additional amount required, fiscal year nineteen hundred and nine, for salaries of teachers and janitors of night schools, including teachers of industrial, commercial, and trade instruction; and teachers and janitors of night schools may also be teachers and janitors of day schools, five thousand five hundred dollars, one-half of which shall be paid out of the revenues of the District of Columbia and one-half from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

One-half from District revenues.