

stroyed or lost, with the rolls and papers necessary to a regular and exact settlement of such accounts, to fix a day when such wreck, destruction, or loss shall be deemed and taken to have occurred.

Accounts of petty officers, seamen, &c., on such vessel, how to be settled.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the proper accounting officers of the treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized, in settling the accounts of the petty officers, seamen, and others, not officers, on board of any vessel in the employ of the United States, which by any casualty, or in action with the enemy, has been or may be sunk or otherwise destroyed, together with the rolls and papers necessary to the exact ascertainment of the several accounts of the same at the date of such loss, to assume the last quarterly return of the paymaster of any such vessel as the basis for the computation of the subsequent credits to those on board, to the date of such loss, if there be no official evidence to the contrary. Where such quarterly return has, from any cause, not been made, the said accounting officers are hereby authorized to adjust and settle said accounts on principles of equity and justice; and to allow and pay to each person, not an officer, employed on a vessel so sunk or otherwise destroyed, and whose personal effects have been lost, a sum not exceeding sixty dollars as compensation for loss of his personal effects.

Compensation to be paid for loss of personal effects.

If such petty officer or seaman is dead, payment to be made to his widow, &c., and from what money.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That in case of the death of such petty officer, seaman, or other person, not an officer, such payment shall be made to the widow, child or children, father, mother, brothers and sisters, (jointly,) in that order of preference, under such rules as the second comptroller of the treasury may prescribe; such credits and gratuity to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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CHAP. CCXLIX. — *An Act further to regulate the Carriage of Passengers in Steamships and other Vessels.*

Term "contiguous territory" not to extend to certain ports. 1855, ch. 213, § 1. Vol. x. p. 715.

Provisions of § 11 of act of 1855, ch. 213, extended. Vol. x. p. 719.

Three copies of inspectors' certificates to be given masters, &c.

1852, ch. 106, § 25. Vol. x. p. 71.

One to be kept in a conspicuous place in the vessel.

Penalty.

List of passengers to be open to inspection.

After clearance and before sailing, master to file

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the term "contiguous territory," in the first section of the act entitled "An act to regulate the carriage of passengers in steamships and other vessels," approved March three, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, shall not be held to extend to any port or place connecting with any inter-oceanic route through Mexico.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of the eleventh section of said act be, and the same are hereby, extended to all vessels whose passengers, or any part of them, are or shall be bound from or to any of the ports or places therein mentioned, by way of any overland route or routes through Mexico or Central America.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That hereafter there shall be delivered to masters or owners of vessels three copies of the inspectors' certificates directed to be given them by collectors or other chief officers of the customs, by the twenty-fifth section of the act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam,' and for other purposes," approved August thirty, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, one of which copies shall be placed, and at all times kept, by said masters or owners, in some conspicuous place in the vessel, where it will be most likely to be discovered by steerage passengers, and the others as now provided by law; and the penalty for neglecting or refusing to place and keep up such additional copy shall be the same as is provided by the said twenty-fifth section in the other cases therein mentioned.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the list of passengers required to be kept by section thirty-five of the said act of August thirty, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, shall also be open to the inspection of any passenger during all reasonable hours; and that after any clearance is granted, but before the vessel shall be allowed to depart, the master or other person in

charge of such vessel, carrying passengers, shall file with the collector, or other officer of the customs granting the clearance, a list, verified by the oath of the master, or other agent, or owner of the vessel, of all passengers received, or to be received, on the vessel so cleared, for conveyance during the proposed voyage, designating cabin and *and* steerage passengers distinctly; and on the receipt by such customs officer on the full list so verified, a departure permit shall be given, without which no vessel conveying passengers shall go to sea; and such departure permit shall be shown to the pilot of each vessel before he shall have authority to take the vessel to sea; and any pilot who shall, without such authority being shown to him, pilot a vessel to sea, shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars, and a revocation of his license.

sworn passenger list with collector.

Departure permit;

to be shown pilot.
Penalty upon pilot, if, &c.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the master or commander of any vessel carrying passengers from any port or ports in the United States to any port or place in Mexico or Central America shall, immediately on arriving at such last-mentioned port or place, deliver to the United States consul, vice-consul, or commercial agent at such port two copies of the list of passengers required to be kept on such vessel by said section thirty-five of the act of August thirty, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, embracing all the passengers on board the vessel at any time during its voyage up to its said arrival, and duly verified by the oath of such master or commander, and by the inspection of the consul, vice-consul, or commercial agent, previous to or at the landing of the passengers; one of which copies the said consul, vice-consul, or commercial agent shall file in his office, and the other of which he shall transmit, without delay, to the collector of the port in the United States from which the vessel last cleared. And if such master or commander shall refuse or neglect to comply with the requirements of this section, or shall knowingly make a false return of the list of passengers, he, together with the owner or owners of said vessel, shall be subject to a fine of not less than ten thousand dollars, and such fine shall be a lien upon the vessel until paid.

Master of passenger vessel, &c., at port in Mexico, &c., to give to consul two copies of lists of passengers.

Disposition of the copies.

Penalty for neglect.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of section twelve of the act entitled "An act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam," approved July seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, be, and the same are hereby, extended to the owner or owners of any steamboat or other vessel propelled in whole or in part by steam, and to all public officers, by, or in consequence of, whose fraud, connivance, misconduct, or violation of law, the life or lives of any person or persons on board such steamboat or vessel may be destroyed.

Provisions of § 12 of act of 1838, ch. 191, extended.
Vol. v. p. 306.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That if the owner or owners, master, commander, or other person in charge of any steamboat or other vessel, shall wilfully present, or cause to be presented, any false or fraudulent list or lists of its passengers, or copies thereof, to any consul, vice-consul, commercial agent, collector, or other custom-house officer, or of the departure permit to any pilot, he or they shall be held guilty of misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be imprisoned for a term not exceeding two years; and the vessel shall be liable to seizure and forfeiture.

Penalty upon owner, &c., for presenting false lists of passengers.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be prepared a synopsis of such of the laws relating to the carriage of passengers, and their safety on vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam, as he shall think expedient, and have the same printed in convenient form to be framed under glass, and give to any such vessel two copies, on application of its owners or master, who shall, without unnecessary delay, have the same framed under glass, and place and keep them in conspicuous places in such vessel, in the same manner as is provided by law in regard to certificates of inspectors; and no clearance shall be issued to such vessel until the collector or other chief [officer] of the customs shall be satisfied that the provisions of this section shall have been complied

Synopsis of passenger laws to be printed, &c.;

to be kept in conspicuous place on board vessel.

Clearance not to be issued until, &c.

Forfeiture.

Informers entitled to half of penalty, &c.

Steamers bound to or from foreign ports shall receive on board certain gold, &c.

with by such owners or master; and in case such owners or master shall neglect or refuse to comply with provisions of this section, he or they shall furthermore forfeit and pay for each offence one hundred dollars, and such fine shall be a lien upon the vessel until paid.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That informers shall be entitled to one half of any penalty or fine collected under this act, or the said act of March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, upon their information.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That all steamers and other vessels belonging to a citizen or to citizens of the United States, and bound from any port in the United States to any other port therein, or to any foreign port, or from any foreign port to any port in the United States, shall, before clearance, receive on board all such bullion, coin, United States notes and bonds and other securities as the government of the United States or any department thereof, or any minister, consul, vice-consul, or commercial or other agent of the United States abroad shall offer, and shall securely convey and promptly deliver the same to the proper authorities or consignees on arriving at the port of destination, and shall receive for such service such reasonable compensation as may be allowed to other carriers in the ordinary transactions of business.

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CHAP. CCL. — *An Act to pay, in Part, for publishing the Debates of Congress, and for other Purposes.*

Set of Congressional Globe and Appendix for each senator, &c.

Pay to publishers of Globe and Appendix for extra pages.

Appropriation,

how disbursed.

Repealing clause.

Either party may abrogate these provisions by two years' notice.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the secretary of the Senate and the clerk of the House of Representatives be, and they are hereby, directed to purchase from the publishers of the Congressional Globe and Appendix, for each senator, representative, and delegate in the present and each succeeding congress, who has not heretofore received the same, one complete set of the Congressional Globe and Appendix.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be paid to the publishers of the Congressional Globe and Appendix, by the secretary of the Senate and the clerk of the House of Representatives, out of the contingent funds of the two houses, according to the number of copies of the Congressional Globe and Appendix taken by each, one cent for every five pages exceeding three thousand pages for a long session, or fifteen hundred pages for a short session, including the indexes and the laws of the United States for this and each future congress.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of ninety-eight thousand five hundred and forty-four dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purposes herein named for the present congress; and that thirty thousand four hundred and twenty-four dollars of the same be disbursed by the secretary of the Senate, and the remainder by the clerk of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith be, and the same are hereby, repealed: *Provided, however*, That the above provisions are made upon the express condition that they may be abrogated by either congress or the publishers of the Congressional Globe and Appendix at any time after giving two years' notice for that purpose.

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CHAP. CCLI. — *An Act making an Appropriation for testing Submarine Inventions.*

Appropriation for testing certain submarine inventions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose of testing submarine batteries and other inventions, to be applied under the direction