

CHAP. XXIX. — *An Act to provide for the Admission of Paintings, Statuary, and Photographs for Exhibition free of Duty.* March 5, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all paintings, statuary, and photographic pictures imported into the United States for exhibition by any association duly authorized under the laws of the United States or any State for the promotion and encouragement of science, art, or industry, and not intended for sale, shall be admitted free of duty, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe: *Provided,* That bonds shall be given for the payment to the United States of such duties as are now imposed by law upon any and all of such articles as shall not be re-exported within six months after such importation.

Certain paintings, &c., to be admitted free of duty.

Bonds for payment of duties, &c.

APPROVED, March 5, 1872.

CHAP. XXX. — *An Act transferring certain Powers and Duties to the Department of Justice, and providing a Seal therefor.* March 5, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all and singular the powers conferred and duties enjoined by existing laws upon the Secretary of the Interior relating to the imprisonment or discharge of convicted offenders against the laws of the United States, or to the reform school and jail in the District of Columbia, be, and the same are hereby, transferred to the Department of Justice.

Certain powers, &c., as to convicts, transferred to the Department of Justice. See *Post*, p. 118.

SEC. 2. That the seal heretofore provided for the office of the Attorney-General shall be the seal of the Department of Justice, with such change in the device as the President of the United States shall approve, and all books, papers, documents, and records in said Department of Justice may be copied and certified under seal in the same manner as those in the State Department, and with the same force and effect.

Seal of the Department of Justice; authentication of records.

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CHAP. XXXI. — *An Act supplementary to the Act entitled "An Act to prevent the Extermination of Fur-bearing Animals in Alaska."* March 5, 1872.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint one agent and three assistant agents, who shall be charged with the management of the seal fisheries in Alaska, and the performance of such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Secretary of the Treasury; and the said agent shall receive the sum of ten dollars each day, one assistant agent the sum of eight dollars each day, and two assistant agents the sum of six dollars each day while so employed; and they shall also be allowed their necessary travelling expenses in going to and returning from Alaska, for which expenses vouchers shall be presented to the proper accounting officers of the treasury, and such expenses shall not exceed in the aggregate six hundred dollars each in any one year: *Provided,* That such agents shall never be interested, directly or indirectly, in any lease of the right to take seals, nor in any proceeds nor profits thereof, neither as owner, agent, partner, or otherwise.

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Secretary of Treasury to appoint agent and assistants to manage the seal fisheries in Alaska;

their pay and travelling expenses.

Agents not to be interested in right to take seals.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to erect a dwelling-house upon each of the islands of St. Paul and St. George, for the use of said agents, the cost of both not to exceed six thousand dollars.

Dwelling-houses for agents.

SEC. 3. That the said agents be, and they are hereby, empowered to administer oaths in all cases relating to the service of the United States, and to take testimony in Alaska for the use of the government in any matter concerning the public revenues.

Agents may administer certain oaths and take testimony.

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