

ing to the laws now in force for violation of the revenue acts; and all laws forfeitures and penalties. for the mitigation and remittance of penalties and forfeitures, shall be applied in similar cases.

SEC. 7. That it shall be lawful for the President, or such officers as he may designate, to employ any portion of the military or naval forces of the Confederacy, or of the militia, to prevent the illegal departure of any ship, vessel or other water craft, or for detaining, taking possession of, and keeping in custody the same, or any wagon, cart, or other vehicle hereinbefore mentioned, their teams and drivers, and their products aforesaid, and to suppress and disperse any assembly of persons who may resist the execution of this act, or oppose the fulfillment, by the officers, of the duties imposed by the same.

President may employ military or naval force to prevent violations of this act.

SEC. 8. That this act shall expire on the day of the ratification of a treaty of peace with the United States.

When this act to expire.

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CHAP. XXV.—An Act to prohibit dealing in the paper currency of the enemy.

Feb. 6, 1864.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That no broker, banker, or dealer in exchange, or person concerned in trade as a merchant, or vendor of merchandise of any description, or any other person, except within the lines of the enemy, shall buy, sell, take, circulate, or in any manner trade in any paper-currency of the United States: *Provided*, That the purchase of postage stamps shall not be considered a violation of this act.

Dealing in the paper currency of the United States prohibited.

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SEC. 2. That any person violating the provisions of this act shall be subject to indictment and prosecution in the Confederate Court holden for the district in which the offence was committed, and shall, upon conviction, forfeit the amount so bought, sold, circulated or used, or a sum equal thereto; and shall be, moreover, subject to a fine of not more than twenty thousand dollars nor less than five hundred, and be imprisoned not less than three months, nor more than three years, at the discretion of said court; and it shall be the duty of the judges of the several Confederate Courts to give this act specially in charge to the grand jury.

Prosecution of offender.

Forfeiture, fine and imprisonment.

Judges to give this act specially in charge to grand juries.

SEC. 3. That this act shall not be construed to apply to any person acting in behalf of the Government of the Confederate States, by special authority from the President, or any of the heads of Departments.

Act not to apply to persons acting in behalf of Gov't.

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CHAP. XXVI.—An Act to authorize Commanders of Corps and Departments to detail Field Officers as members of military courts, under certain circumstances.

Feb. 6, 1864.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That commanders of corps and departments be, and they are hereby, authorized to detail field officers, as members of military courts, whenever any of the judges of said courts shall be disqualified by consanguinity or affinity, or unable, from sickness or other unavoidable cause, to attend said courts.

Detail of field officers as members of military courts.

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