

of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to carry out the provisions of this act.

Approved, March 11, 1865.

[Text from *Journal*, VII, 669, 679; IV, 658.]

No. 138. Joint Resolution for the relief of postmasters in certain cases.

*Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America*, That the Postmaster General be, and he is hereby authorized to direct the Auditor of the Treasury for the Post-office Department to allow the proper credits to postmasters for the value of postage stamps furnished to such postmasters by the Postoffice Department, and of which they may have been deprived by the act of the public enemy, upon satisfactory proof of the facts as to the amount of postage stamps of which they were so deprived, and that such postmasters exercised all reasonable diligence and foresight to guard against such deprivation, and that the loss of such postage stamps was the result of surprise, or other circumstances, which rendered it unavoidable.

Approved, March 11, 1865.

[Text from original resolution in The National Archives.]

No. 139. An Act to regulate the payment of clerks employed at the Post-office in the cities of Richmond and Petersburg.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the Postmaster General be and he is hereby authorized, in case the commissions and boxrent of the postoffice in the city of Richmond shall be insufficient to pay the necessary clerk hire, the maximum compensation of the Postmaster and expenses of said office, to direct the payment of such additional amount as may be necessary out of the revenues of said office; *Provided*, That the provisions of this act shall also apply to the city of Petersburg.

Approved, March 11, 1865.

[Text from original bill and amendment in The National Archives.]