

may be inconsistent with such regulations; and all quartermasters, surgeons, or other officers or persons, who are, or may be, required by such regulations to take charge of the effects of deceased officers or soldiers, shall continue to do so in accordance with said regulations, except so far as the same may conflict with the provisions of this act; and are not required to account for or to deliver such effects, or the proceeds thereof, to the agent above referred to until the same shall be specially demanded by him, under order of the Secretary of War, as hereinbefore provided.

Approved, February 3, 1865.

[Text from enrolled act in Duke University Library.]

No. 46. An Act to increase the maximum rates of compensation allowed to railroad companies for the transportation of the mails of the Confederate States.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That so much of the 4th section of an act, approved May 9, 1861, as fixes the maximum rates of compensation that may be allowed to railroad companies for the transportation of Confederate States mails, be, and the same is hereby amended, so that from and after the first day of January, 1865, the following rates may be allowed, viz: On first class roads, not exceeding \$225 per mile per annum; on second class roads, not exceeding \$150 per mile per annum; and on third class roads, not exceeding \$75 per mile per annum—the amount of compensation to be determined by the importance and value of the services to be performed; *Provided*, That, if one-half of the services on any railroad is required to be performed in the night time, it shall be lawful for the Postmaster General to pay 25 per cent in addition to the above named maximum rates of pay.

Approved, February 3, 1865.

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