CHAP. 95.—An act to fix the pay of letter-carriers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the more equitable compensation of letter-carriers there shall be in all cities which contain a population of seventy-five thousand or more two classes of letter carriers, to be fixed by the Postmaster-General.

SEC. 2. The salaries of carriers of the first-class, who shall have been in service at least one year, shall be one thousand dollars per annum. second classes. and the salaries of the carriers of the second class shall be eight hundred dollars per annum. In all cities containing a population of less than seventy-five thousand there shall be one class of letter-carriers, who shall receive a salary of eight hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

SEC. 3. Upon the recommendation of the postmaster of any city, the Postmaster-General may establish a third grade of letter-carriers, known as auxiliaries, who shall be paid at the rate of four hundred dollars per annum.

SEC. 4. Appointments of letter-carriers in cities having two or more classes shall be made to the class having the minimum rate of pay, and promotions from the lower grades in said cities shall be made to the higher grades to fill vacancies, after one or more years' service, on certificate of the postmaster to the efficiency and faithfulness of the candidate during the preceding year: Provided, however, That at no time shall the number of carriers in the first class, receiving the maximum class. salary of one thousand dollars, be more than two-thirds or less than onehalf the whole number of carriers actually in service in the city in which they are employed : Provided, further, That no boxes for the collection of mail-matter by carriers shall be placed inside of any building except a buildings. public building or railroad-station.

SEC. 5. Letter-carriers shall be employed for the free delivery, of mailmatter, as frequently as the public convenience may require, at every place containing a population of fifty thousand within the delivery of its post-office, and may be so employed at every place containing a popula-tion of not less than twenty thousand within its corporate limits, and at post-offices which produced a gross revenue for the preceding fiscal year of not less than twenty thousand dollars: Provided, This act shall not affect the free delivery in towns and cities where it is now established. SEC. 6. All laws inconsistent herewith are repealed.

Approved, February 21, 1879.

CHAP. 96.—An act donating to the board of education of school district number one, Arapahoe County, Colorado, block numbered one hundred and forty-three, in the east division of the city of Denver, Colorado, for common-school purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That block numbered one hundred and forty-three, in the east division of the city of Denver, in the Donation of for school in. county of Arapahoe and State of Colorado, be, and the same is hereby, donated and set apart to the board of education of school district number one, Arapahoe County, in the State of Colorado, upon the following conditions, namely: The said board of education shall cause to be erected and maintained thereon a public school building or buildings, to be used solely for educational purposes, and attendance at which, with full and equal rights and privileges, shall be free to all the residents of the city of Denver, in said county, with restrictions only as to the number and age of attendants and the grade of scholarship, under such rules and regulations as may be legally adopted for the control and management of said school or schools; and the above conditions shall be binding forever, under the penalty of the reversion of said block to the United States.

SEC. 2. That the said board of education shall cause to be erected upon said real estate a superstructure for the purpose aforesaid, which shall cost not less than twenty-five thousand dollars; and the donation

Feb. 21, 1879.

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