

- Stamp tax.      SEC. 3. That all opium prepared for smoking manufactured in the United States shall be duly stamped in such a permanent manner as to denote the payment of the internal-revenue tax thereon.
- General laws applicable.      SEC. 4. That the provisions of existing laws covering the engraving, issue, sale, accountability, effacement, cancellation, and the destruction of stamps relating to tobacco and snuff, as far as applicable, are hereby made to apply to stamps provided for by the preceding section.
- Punishment for violations.      SEC. 5. That a penalty of not less than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not less than five years, or both, in the discretion of the court, shall be imposed for each and every violation of the preceding sections of this Act relating to opium by any person or persons; and all opium prepared for smoking wherever found within the United States without the stamps required by this Act shall be forfeited and destroyed.
- Seizures, etc.      SEC. 6. The provisions of the Act of October first, eighteen hundred and ninety (Twenty-sixth Statutes, page fifteen hundred and sixty-seven), in so far as they relate to the manufacture of smoking opium, are hereby repealed.
- Former provisions repealed.      Vol. 23, p. 620.

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CHAP. 11.—An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to codify, revise, and amend the laws relating to the judiciary," approved March third, nineteen hundred and eleven, being chapter two hundred and thirty-one of Thirty-sixth Statutes at Large.

Judicial Code.  
Removal of causes from State to district courts.  
Vol. 36, p. 1095, amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act entitled "An Act to codify, revise, and amend the laws relating to the judiciary," approved March third, nineteen hundred and eleven, being chapter two hundred and thirty-one of Thirty-sixth Statutes at Large, be amended by inserting at the conclusion of section twenty-eight, chapter three, of said Act, the following:

Damages in interstate transportation.  
Not removable unless over \$3,000.

Vol. 24, p. 386; Vol. 34, p. 593; Vol. 35, p. 648; Vol. 36, p. 555.

"*And provided further,* That no suit brought in any State court of competent jurisdiction against a railroad company, or other corporation, or person, engaged in and carrying on the business of a common carrier, to recover damages for delay, loss of, or injury to property received for transportation by such common carrier under section twenty of the Act to regulate commerce, approved February fourth, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended June twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and six, April thirteenth, nineteen hundred and eight, February twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and nine, and June eighteenth, nineteen hundred and ten, shall be removed to any court of the United States where the matter in controversy does not exceed, exclusive of interest and costs, the sum or value of \$3,000."

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[H. R. 9321.]  
[Public, No. 49.]

CHAP. 12.—An Act To amend the Act approved May ninth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, as amended by the Act of June eleventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

Postmasters.  
Claims for losses.  
Vol. 25, p. 135.  
Vol. 29, p. 458, amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act authorizing the Postmaster General to adjust certain claims of postmasters for loss by burglary, fire, or other unavoidable casualty, approved May ninth, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, as amended by the Act of June eleventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows: