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**THE EXCISE TAX LAW.**

**SCHEDULE B.**

Agreement or contract, other than those specified in this schedule; any appraisement of value or damage, or for any other purpose; for every sheet or piece of paper upon which either of the same shall be written, five cents.

Bank check, draft, or order for the payment of any sum of money exceeding twenty dollars, drawn upon any bank, trust company, or any person or persons, companies, or corporations at sight or on demand, two cents.

Bill of exchange, (inland) draft, or order for the payment of any sum of money exceeding twenty and not exceeding one hundred dollars, otherwise than at sight or on demand, or any promissory note except bank notes issued for circulation, for a sum exceeding twenty and not exceeding one hundred dollars, five cents.

Exceeding one hundred dollars and not exceeding two hundred dollars, ten cents.

Exceeding two hundred dollars and not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars, fifteen cents.

Exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars and not exceeding five hundred dollars, twenty cents.

Exceeding five hundred dollars and not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, thirty cents.

Exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars and not exceeding one thousand dollars, forty cents.

Exceeding one thousand dollars and not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, sixty cents.

Exceeding fifteen hundred dollars and not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars, one dollar.

Exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars and not exceeding five thousand dollars, one dollar and fifty cents.

And for every twenty-five hundred dollars, or part of twenty-five hundred dollars in excess of five thousand dollars, one dollar.

Bill of exchange (foreign) or letter of credit, drawn in but payable out of the United States, if drawn singly, or otherwise than in a set of three or more, according to the custom of merchants and bankers, shall pay the same rates of duty as inland bills of exchange or promissory notes.

If drawn in sets of three or more: For every bill of each set, where the sum made payable shall not exceed one hundred and fifty dollars, or the equivalent thereof, in any foreign currency in which such bills may be expressed, according to the standard of value fixed by the United States, three cents.

Above one hundred and fifty dollars and not above two hundred and fifty dollars, five cents.

Above two hundred and fifty dollars and not above five hundred dollars, ten cents.

Above five hundred dollars and not above a thousand dollars, fifteen cents.

Above one thousand dollars and not above one thousand five hundred dollars, twenty cents.

Above one thousand five hundred dollars and not above two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, thirty cents.

Above two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars and not above three thousand five hundred dollars, fifty cents.

Above three thousand five hundred dollars and not above five thousand dollars, seventy cents.

Above five thousand dollars and not above seven thousand five hundred dollars, one dollar.

And for every two thousand five hundred dollars, or part thereof, in excess of seven thousand five hundred dollars, thirty cents.

Bill of lading or receipt, (other than charter-party) for any goods, merchandise, or effects, to be exported from a port or place in the United States to any foreign port or place, ten cents.

Express.—For every receipt or stamp issued, or issued by any express company, or carrier, or person whose occupation it is to act as such, for all boxes, bales, packages, articles, or bundles, for the transportation of which such company, carrier, or person, shall receive a compensation of not over twenty-five cents, one cent.

When such compensation exceeds the sum of twenty-five cents, and not over one dollar, two cents.

When one or more packages are sent to the same address at the same time, and the compensation therefor exceeds one dollar, five cents.

Bond.—For indemnifying any person who shall have become bound or engaged as surety for the payment of any sum of money, or for the due execution or performance of the duties of any office, and to account for money received by virtue thereof, fifty cents.

Bond of any description other than such as may be required in legal proceedings, and such as are not otherwise charged in this schedule, twenty-five cents.

Certificate of stock in any incorporated company, twenty-five cents.

Certificate of profits, or any certificate or memorandum showing an interest in the property or accumulations of any incorporated company, if for a sum not less than ten dollars and not exceeding fifty dollars, ten cents.

For a sum exceeding fifty dollars, twenty-five cents.

Certificate.—Any certificate of damage, or otherwise, and all other certificates or documents issued by any port warden, marine surveyor, or other person acting as such, twenty-five cents.

Certificate of deposit of any sum of money

in any bank or trust company, or with any banker or person acting as such—

If for a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, two cents.

For a sum exceeding one hundred dollars, five cents.

Certificate of any other description than those specified, ten cents.

Charter-party.—Contract or agreement for the charter of any ship or vessel, or steamer, or any letter, memorandum, or other writing between the captain, master, or owner, or person acting as agent of any ship or vessel, or steamer, and any other person or persons for or relating to the character of such ship or vessel, or steamer, if the registered tonnage of such ship or vessel, or steamer, does not exceed three hundred tons, three dollars.

Exceeding three hundred tons, and not exceeding six hundred tons, five dollars.

Exceeding six hundred tons, ten dollars.

Contract.—Broker's note, or memorandum of sale of any goods or merchandise, stocks, bonds, exchange, notes of hand, real estate, or property of any kind or description issued by brokers or persons acting as such, ten cents.

Conveyance.—Deed, instrument, or writing, whereby any lands, tenements, or other realty sold shall be granted, assigned, transferred, or otherwise conveyed to, or vested in, the purchaser or purchasers, or any other person or persons by his, her, or their direction, when the consideration or value exceeds one hundred dollars and does not exceed five hundred dollars, fifty cents.

When the consideration exceeds five hundred dollars and does not exceed one thousand dollars, one dollar.

Exceeding one thousand dollars and not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, two dollars.

Exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars and not exceeding five thousand dollars, five dollars.

Exceeding five thousand dollars and not exceeding ten thousand dollars, ten dollars.

Exceeding ten thousand dollars and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, twenty dollars.

And for every additional ten thousand dollars, or fractional part thereof, in excess of twenty thousand dollars, twenty dollars.

Despatch, telegraphic.—Any despatch or message, the charge for which for the first ten words does not exceed twenty cents, one cent.

When the charge for the first ten words exceeds twenty cents, three cents.

Entry of any goods, wares, or merchandise at any custom-house, either for consumption or warehousing, not exceeding one hundred dollars in value, twenty-five cents.

Exceeding one hundred dollars and not exceeding five hundred dollars in value, fifty cents.

Exceeding five hundred dollars in value, one dollar.

Entry for the withdrawal of any goods or merchandise from bonded warehouse, fifty cents.

Insurance, (life).—Policy of insurance, or other instrument by whatever name the same shall be called, whereby any insurance shall be made upon any life or lives—

When the amount insured shall not exceed one thousand dollars, twenty-five cents.

Exceeding one thousand and not exceeding five thousand dollars, fifty cents.

Exceeding five thousand dollars, one dollar.

Insurance, (marine, inland, and fire).—Each policy of insurance or other instrument, by whatever name the same shall be called, by which insurance shall be made or renewed upon property of any description, whether against perils by the sea or by fire, or other peril of any kind, made by any insurance company, or its agents, or by any other company or person, twenty-five cents.

Lease, agreement, memorandum, or contract for the hire, use, or rent of any land, tenement, or portion thereof.

If for a period of time not exceeding three years, fifty cents.

If for a period exceeding three years, one dollar.

Manifest for custom-house entry or clearance of the cargo of any ship, vessel, or steamer for a foreign port.

If the registered tonnage of such ship, vessel, or steamer does not exceed three hundred tons, one dollar.

Exceeding three hundred tons, and not exceeding six hundred tons, three dollars.

Exceeding six hundred tons, five dollars.

Mortgage of lands, estate, or property, real or personal, heritable or movable whatsoever, where the same shall be made as a security for the payment of any definite and certain sum of money lent at the time or previously due and owing or forborne to be paid, being payable: also any conveyance of any lands, estate, or property whatsoever, in trust to be sold or otherwise converted into money, which shall be intended only as security, and shall be redeemable before the sale or other disposal thereof, either by express stipulation or otherwise; or any personal bond given as security for the payment of any definite or certain sum of money exceeding one hundred dollars, and not exceeding five hundred dollars, fifty cents.

Exceeding five hundred dollars and not exceeding one thousand dollars, one dollar.

Exceeding one thousand dollars, and not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, two dollars.

Exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, and not exceeding five thousand dollars, five dollars.

Exceeding five thousand dollars, and not exceeding ten thousand dollars, ten dollars.

Exceeding ten thousand dollars, and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, fifteen dollars.

Exceeding twenty thousand dollars, and not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, twenty dollars.

Exceeding thirty thousand dollars, and not exceeding forty thousand dollars, twenty-five dollars.

Exceeding forty thousand dollars, and not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, thirty dollars.

Exceeding fifty thousand dollars, and not exceeding sixty thousand dollars, thirty-five dollars.

Exceeding sixty thousand dollars, and not exceeding seventy thousand dollars, forty dollars.

Exceeding seventy thousand dollars, and not exceeding eighty thousand dollars, forty-five dollars.

Exceeding eighty thousand dollars, and not exceeding ninety thousand dollars, fifty dollars.

Exceeding ninety thousand dollars, and not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, fifty-five dollars.

Exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, sixty dollars.

Exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, sixty-five dollars.

Exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, and not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, seventy dollars.

Exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, seventy-five dollars.

Exceeding ten thousand dollars, and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, fifteen dollars.

And for every additional ten thousand dollars, or fractional part thereof, in excess of twenty thousand dollars, ten dollars.

Passage ticket, by any vessel from a port in the United States to a foreign port, if less than thirty dollars, fifty cents.

Exceeding thirty dollars, one dollar.

Power of attorney for the sale or transfer of any stock, bonds, or scrip, or for the collection of any dividends or interest thereon, twenty-five cents.

Power of attorney or proxy for voting at any election for officers of any incorporated company or society, except religious, charitable, or literary societies, or public cemeteries, ten cents.

Power of attorney to receive or collect rent, twenty-five cents.

Power of attorney to sell and convey real estate, or to rent or lease the same, or to perform any and all other acts not hereinbefore specified, one dollar.

Probate of will, or letters of administration: Where the estate and effects for or in respect of which such probate or letters of administration applied for shall be sworn or declared not to exceed the value of two thousand five hundred dollars, fifty cents.

To exceed two thousand five hundred dollars, and not exceeding five thousand dollars, one dollar.

To exceed five thousand dollars, and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, two dollars.

To exceed twenty thousand dollars, and not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, five dollars.

To exceed fifty thousand dollars, and not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, ten dollars.

Exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, twenty dollars.

And for every additional fifty thousand dollars, or fractional part thereof, ten dollars.

Protest.—Upon the protest of every note, bill of exchange, acceptance, check or draft, or any marine protest, whether protested by a notary public or by any other officer who may be authorized by the law of any State or States to make such protest, twenty-five cents.

Warehouse receipt for any goods, merchandise, or property of any kind held on storage in any public or private warehouse or yard, twenty-five cents.

Legal documents: Writ, or other original process by which any suit is commenced in any court of record, either law or equity, fifty cents.

Provided, That no writ, summons, or other process issued by a justice of the peace, or is used in any criminal or other suits commenced by the United States or any State, shall be subject to the payment of stamp duties: And provided, further, That the stamp duties imposed by the foregoing schedule B on manifests, bills of lading, and passage tickets, shall not apply to steamboats or other vessels plying between ports of the United States and ports in British North America.

**SCHEDULE C.**

Medicines or preparations.—For and upon every packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, containing any pills, powders, tinctures, troches or lozenges, syrups, cordials, bitters, anodynes, tonics, plasters, liniments, salves, ointments, pastes, drops, waters, essences, spirits, oils, or other preparations or compositions whatsoever, made and sold, or removed for consumption and sale, by any person or persons whatever, wherein the person making or preparing the same has, or claims to have, any private formula or occult secret or art for the making or preparing the same, or has, or claims to have, any exclusive right or title to the making or preparing the same, or which are prepared, uttered, vended, or exposed for sale under any letters patent, or held out or recommended to the public by the makers, venders, or proprietors thereof as proprietary medicines, or as remedies or specifics, for any disease, diseases, or affections whatever affecting the human or animal body, as follows: where such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall not exceed, at the retail price or value, the sum of twenty-five cents, one cent.

When such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall exceed the retail price or value of twenty-five cents, and not exceed the retail price or value of fifty cents, two cents.

Where such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall exceed the retail price or value of fifty cents, and shall not exceed the retail price or value of seventy-five cents, three cents.

When such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall exceed the retail price or value of seventy-five cents, and shall not exceed the retail price or value of one dollar, four cents.

When such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall exceed the retail price or value of one dollar, for each and every fifty cents or fractional part thereof over and above the one dollar, as before mentioned, an additional two cents.

Perfumery and cosmetics.—For and upon every packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, containing any essence, extract, toilet, water, cosmetic, hair oil, pomade, hair-dressing, hair restorative, hair dye, toothwash, dentrifice, tooth paste, aroma or cachou; or any similar articles, by whatsoever name the same heretofore have been, now are, or may hereafter be called, known, or distinguished, used or applied, or to be used or applied as

perfumes or applications to the hair, mouth, or skin, made, prepared, and sold or removed for consumption and sale in the United States, where such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall not exceed at the retail price or value the sum of twenty-five cents, one cent.

Where such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall exceed the retail price or value of twenty-five cents, and shall not exceed the retail price or value of fifty cents, two cents.

Where such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall exceed the retail price or value of fifty cents, and shall not exceed the retail price or value of seventy-five cents, three cents.

Where such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall exceed the retail price or value of seventy-five cents, and shall not exceed the retail price or value of one dollar, four cents.

When such packet, box, bottle, pot, phial, or other enclosure, with its contents, shall exceed the retail price or value of one dollar, for each and every fifty cents or fractional part thereof over and above the one dollar, as before mentioned, an additional two cents.

Playing cards.—For and upon every pack of whatever number, when the price per pack does not exceed eighteen cents, one cent.

Over eighteen cents and not exceeding twenty-five cents per pack, two cents.

Over twenty-five and not exceeding thirty cents per pack, three cents.

Over thirty and not exceeding thirty-six cents per pack, four cents.

Over thirty-six cents per pack, five cents.

**HURRAH FOR CODFISH.**

When we see a young man dressed in the extreme of fashion, promenading the streets, flourishing a delicate walking stick, ogling the ladies, and turning up his interesting proboscis with an air of disdain at a neighbor's son or daughter, when we know that his father acquired the property which his fool of a son is making himself ridiculous upon, by collecting grease and ashes we are tempted to shout in his assinine ears, "Hurrah for codfish."

When we see a young woman whose highest ambition appears to be a desire to eclipse her neighbors in dress, and who makes it her constant boast that she never washed a dish or hemmed a shirt, because she regards it as a vulgar accomplishment, we feel an inclination to whisper in her ear, "Hurrah for codfish."

When we see a young man too proud to carry a bundle in the street when we know his father is a wood-sawyer, or when we see a young miss seated in the parlor perusing a novel while ma is doing the kitchen drudgery, we say to ourself, "Hurrah for codfish."

When we hear a lady protest that she cannot ride in an omnibus because it was intended for common folks, we cannot help exclaiming to ourself, "Hurrah for codfish."

When we see a lady arrayed in the costliest fabrics, treat with a contempt a school-mate whose clothing is not of so rich a texture, especially when we remember that some of the aforesaid lady's relatives are inmates of the poor house, and others of the State prison, we feel a strong desire to thunder in her ears, "Hurrah for codfish."

When we hear a man boasting of his ancestry, and taking unwonted pains to display his retented coat of arms, which he has stolen from some old book of heraldry, we laugh as we say to ourself, "Hurrah for codfish."

When we see an elegant carriage dashing through the street with heraldic devices emblazoned on its trappings, with a coachman and footman decked out in a sort of livery, and especially when we know that its aristocratic owner made his money by vending "purely vegetable pills," which were nothing more nor less than dried peas, we exclaim, "Hurrah for codfish."

In short, when we see people putting on haughty airs, because it has pleased Providence to endow them with a liberal share of this world's goods, or when we see the supercilious sneer of contempt upon the face of a person to show his or her estimation of one who works for a living, we feel a strong desire to show our estimation of them by exclaiming in their ears, "Hurrah for codfish."

We are thankful that aristocracy in this country has always been at a discount, and we hope it always will be, and can only pity the silly, contemptible man or woman who may be foolish enough to imagine for a moment that to be a member of an exclusive class, is the supreme height of human felicity though money, like charity, cover a multitude of sins.

**PRINTER'S LANGUAGE.**—Every profession has its technical terms, and of course the printers have a smattering which is only intelligible to the craft; the following is a specimen. It don't mean, however, as much as it would seem to the uninitiated:

"Jim, put General Beauregard on the galley and then finish the murder of that nigger you commenced yesterday. Set up the ruins of Guy-andott; distribute the small pox; you need not finish that mutiny; put the mumps in the paper this week. Pitch that pi into hell and go to the devil, and he will tell you how to dispose of the dead matter."

Not much wonder that Dr. Faustus was burnt for inventing such a satanical art.