

facts concerning the subject in controversy before them, and to that end they shall have power to send for persons and papers, to compel the attendance of witnesses, to administer oaths, and to examine witnesses on oath ; they shall determine all questions which may be submitted to them by a majority vote, and shall assess whatever damages, if any, they may adjudge due by reason of any false or erroneous inspection, and from their finding or award there shall be no appeal ; all damages shall be assessed upon the basis of the market value of the particular grade of tobacco on the date of the reclamation ; and no claims on tobacco shipped to any point in the United States shall be considered or allowed after the expiration of six months from the date of its inspection, nor after the expiration of nine months from the date of its inspection, if shipped to any foreign country ; nor shall any claim be allowed upon tobacco which shall have changed by fermentation.

1888, art. 48, sec. 25. 1886, ch. 101, sec. 11 c. 1898, ch. 314.

**25.** The inspector shall pay the amount of any award made in writing and under seal by any committee of arbitration duly constituted, as heretofore provided, to the party or parties thereto entitled, within thirty days after the date thereof, and shall take the receipt of the claimant or his agent for the same, which said receipt together with said award signed and sealed by said committee of arbitration, or a majority of them, shall be returned by the inspector to the comptroller of the treasury in the inspector's next ensuing report thereafter and shall be a voucher for money expended.

Ibid. sec. 26. 1872, ch. 36, sec. 12. 1886, ch. 101.

**26.** If any inspector shall upon examination of any hogshead of tobacco have reason to suspect that the same is trash or false packed, he shall cause the same to be shaken out and repacked, and shall charge for so doing the sum of two dollars per hogshead, the same to be paid by the owner or his agent ; and if any inspector shall find that the package, cask or hogshead containing said tobacco is constructed of green or unseasoned timber, it shall be his duty to uncase said tobacco and furnish a new and dry package, cask or hogshead for the same at the cost and expense of the owner of said tobacco or his agent ; said cost and expense not to exceed, however, the sum of one dollar for each package, cask or hogshead so furnished.