

while assigned to duty, where they shall receive the full pay and allowances appropriate to their rank.

Approved, January 27, 1865.

[Text from enrolled act in Duke University Library.]

SECRET

No. 44. Joint Resolution directing the transfer of certain funds from the Navy Department to the Treasury.

Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America, That the Secretary of the Navy be directed to cause to be transferred to the Treasury Department two hundred and fifty thousand pounds sterling of the fund to the credit of the Navy Department: *Provided*, There be such an amount remaining after discharging existing liabilities abroad, and in case there be not so much, then any balance that may so remain.

Approved, January 27, 1865.

[Copy from *Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies*, Ser. II, Vol. II, pp. 793-794.]

No. 44¹/₂. An Act to authorize newspapers to be mailed to soldiers free of postage.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That all newspapers directed to any officer, musician, or private, engaged in the actual service of the Confederate States, may be transmitted through the mails, free of postage: *Provided*, That, in all such cases, the address shall contain a description of the party to whom such newspapers shall be sent, stating his military title, if an officer, or the company and regiment to which he belongs, if a musician or private: and *provided*, also, That this act shall not be construed to extend to newspapers transmitted by carriers or express companies, or received through them.

January 31, 1865.

[Text from enrolled act in Duke University Library. This act was passed over the veto of President Davis, Jan. 31, 1865. See *Journal*, IV, 496-497, 502; VII, 522-524. The number given it indicates that it was noted in the "Register" after the title of the next act was entered there.]