

[No. 4.] *A Resolution in relation to the Census returns from the State of California.* Jan 7, 1853.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be required to append the census returns of the State of California, made by that State, to the report thereof, now in course of preparation at the Census Office.*

Census returns of California.

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

[No. 5.] *A Resolution allowing in certain cases to the owners of Steamers further time to make the necessary preparations to bring their Vessels within the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the better Security of the Lives of Passengers on board of vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam, and for other purposes,'" Approved August thirtieth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two.* Jan. 7, 1853.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any Inspector of Steamers, appointed under the act aforesaid, if not furnished seasonably with the necessary means of discharging his duty, or who shall be satisfied when an enrolled, licensed or registered steamer is inspected by him, and found deficient in the requirements made by said act, that such omissions are not occasioned by any fault or neglect of the owner or master, he may grant, upon application therefor, or of his own accord, such further reasonable time after said act goes into effect, as he may deem sufficient with due diligence to make all necessary preparations to make any such vessel, her machinery and equipment conform to the provisions of said act: *Provided*, The time so allowed shall in no case exceed ninety days after the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-three.*

Extension of time for procuring the requirements of the steamboat act 1852, ch. 106. See post, No. 13.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved*, That no such vessel so allowed further time for preparation, shall be liable to seizure or to any penalty under said act during the time specified, for any deficiency intended to be covered by the extension of time granted by such inspector.

Seizure during such extension of time.

APPROVED, January 7, 1853.

[No. 6.] *A Resolution for the Appointment of Regents in the Smithsonian Institution.* Jan. 13, 1853.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the vacancies in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution of the class "other than members of Congress," be filled by the appointment of Alexander Dallas Bache, a member of the National Institute, and resident in the City of Washington, and John MacPherson Berrien, of the State of Georgia.*

A. D. Bache, and J. M. Berrien, appointed Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

APPROVED, January 13, 1853.

[No. 8.] *A Resolution Explanatory of the Appropriation for the Improvement of the Mouth of the Sekonk River and Harbor of Providence, Rhode Island.* Jan. 20, 1853.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the clause in the "Act making appropriations for the improvement of certain harbors and rivers," approved thirtieth of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, making an appropriation "for removing a rock near the mouth of the Sekonk River, harbor of Providence, Rhode Island," be construed to authorize the removal of any rock or other obstructions at the crook or the entrance or mouth of Sekonk River, harbor of Providence, and State of Rhode Island.*

Removal of obstructions in Sekonk River.

APPROVED, January 20, 1853.