

[No. 63.] *Joint Resolution explanatory of "An Act to suppress Insurrection, to punish Treason and Rebellion, to seize and confiscate the Property of Rebels, and for other Purposes."* July 17, 1862.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the provisions of the third clause of the fifth section of "An act to suppress insurrection, to punish treason and rebellion, to seize and confiscate the property of rebels, and for other purposes," shall be so construed as not to apply to any act or acts done prior to the passage thereof; nor to include any member of a State legislature, or judge of any State court, who has not in accepting or entering upon his office, taken an oath to support the constitution of the so-called "Confederate States of America"; nor shall any punishment or proceedings under said act be so construed as to work a forfeiture of the real estate of the offender beyond his natural life.

Construction of portions of act of 1862, ch. 195.

*Ante*, p. 589.

APPROVED, July 17, 1862.

[No. 64.] *Joint Resolution to amend Section seventy-seven of "An Act to provide Internal Revenue to support the Government and to pay Interest on the Public Debt," and for other Purposes.* July 17, 1862

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section seventy-seven of an act entitled "An act to provide internal revenue to support the government and to pay interest on the public debt," be, and the same is hereby, amended by striking out the word "May" and inserting "August."

Act 1862, ch. 119, § 77, amended.

*Ante*, p. 467.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved,* That all the sections of an act entitled "An act to provide internal revenue to support the Government and to pay interest on the public debt," which require any matter or thing to be done on or before the first day of July or August, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall be so amended and changed that said matters or things may be so done on or before any other day in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two not later than the first day of October eighteen hundred and sixty-two, which may be fixed and determined upon by the Secretary of the Treasury, if in his judgment a later day should be so fixed in order to put said act into practical operation, and all parts of said act having reference to the said dates of the first days of July and August, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall be taken and construed as having reference to the said day which may be so fixed and determined upon: *Provided,* That the Secretary of the Treasury shall give public notice of the day so fixed and determined upon, in such manner as he may deem expedient.

Act so amended that certain acts need not be done before Oct. 1, 1862.

Secretary of the Treasury to determine time.

And give public notice.

APPROVED, July 17, 1862.

[No. 65.] *A Resolution in Relation to the Law of Prize.*

July 17, 1862.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That hereafter all moneys arising from the sale of property under the prize laws of the United States, whether under interlocutory or final decree, shall be paid by the marshal into the treasury of the United States for safe-keeping immediately after the day of sale, instead of the registry of the court, less the costs and disbursements sworn to by the marshal and taxed by the court; and every clerk of a United States court now having any such moneys in hand shall immediately pay the same into the treasury of the United States, less the costs and disbursements to be sworn to and taxed as aforesaid, and upon a final decree of condemnation or restitution, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, and he is hereby authorized to pay over the same upon the order of the proper court, and no more shall be retained by any clerk from money received and paid over by him under this resolution as commissions or otherwise, than one per centum upon the first

Prize moneys to be paid into the treasury of the United States.