

Feb. 8, 1867. [No. 13.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of certain Settlers on the Sioux Reservation, in the State of Minnesota.*

Certain settlers on the Sioux reservation may enter their lands at the minimum price, &c.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That those persons who settled and made improvements upon lands now included in the Sioux reservation in Minnesota, and filed notice of their claims in the proper local land office, before the boundaries of said reservation were definitely surveyed and located, shall be, and are hereby authorized to enter the lands thus settled upon, as in other cases of pre-emption, upon the payment of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre therefor, under such rules and regulations as may be provided by the Secretary of the Interior.

APPROVED, February 8, 1867.

Feb. 18, 1867. [No. 18.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Paul S. Forbes, under his Contract with the Navy Department for building and furnishing the Steam Screw Sloop-of-War "Idaho."*

The steam screw sloop-of-war "Idaho," to be accepted from Paul S. Forbes, in discharge of his contract, for the money already paid him.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, instructed to accept the steam screw sloop-of-war "Idaho," of the contractor, Paul S. Forbes, at the price of five hundred and fifty thousand dollars, already paid said Forbes, and which shall be in full discharge of his contract with the Navy Department on account of said steamship.

APPROVED, February 18, 1867.

Feb. 18, 1867. [No. 19.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Charles Clark, Marshal of the United States for the District of Maine.*

Allowance to Charles Clark in settlement of accounts, for public money lost by fire.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized, in the settlement of the accounts of Charles Clark, marshal of the United States for the district of Maine, to allow him credit for such sum of public money as was in his charge as marshal, not to exceed three thousand and twenty-eight dollars, as he may be satisfied was burned in said marshal's office, in the custom-house building at Portland, Maine, on the fourth day of July last.

APPROVED, February 18, 1867.

Feb. 18, 1867. [No. 20.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of James Keenan.*

In settlement of accounts of James Keenan, payment to be made for loss on exchange.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is directed, in the settlement of the accounts of James Keenan, late consul at Hong Kong, China, to pay his legal representatives the amount of exchange to which he would have been entitled for loss, had he drawn the several balances due him on the adjustment of his accounts.

APPROVED, February 18, 1867.

Feb. 22, 1867. [No. 24.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of Ober, Nanson, and Company, Merchants, of New York.*

Preamble. Ober, Nanson, and Company.

WHEREAS, Ober, Nanson, and Company, of the city of New York, did, on October eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, deposit in the post-office of the city of New York a sealed package, containing twelve hundred compound-interest notes of the United States, each of the denomination of fifty dollars, dated September one, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, and falling due September one, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, amounting to sixty thousand dollars, which notes are described as follows:—

- \$ 5000, letter D, numbers 272,801 to 272,900 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter A, numbers 276,201 to 276,300 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter C, numbers 270,801 to 270,900 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter A, numbers 268,601 to 268,700 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter C, numbers 268,601 to 268,700 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter C, numbers 268,301 to 268,400 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter C, numbers 275,501 to 275,600 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter D, numbers 270,501 to 270,600 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter C, numbers 275,301 to 275,400 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter D, numbers 276,201 to 276,300 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter A, numbers 275,601 to 275,700 inclusive ;
- 5000, letter A, numbers 275,901 to 276,000 inclusive ;

which package was directed to Ober, Atwater, and Company, merchants of the city of New Orleans, and was registered, and receipt given by the postmaster at New York, dated October eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, and was despatched through the United States mail, on the steamship "Republic," to its place of destination, as certified by the postmaster of New York ; and whereas said steamship "Republic," with the United States mails thereon, containing said sealed package, was sunk and lost in the sea on the twenty-fifth day of October, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, at a point about one hundred and forty miles east of Savannah, Georgia, and no part of the mail on board was saved or recovered :

Therefore,
Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to pay said Ober, Nanson, and Company, or their assigns or legal representatives, the amount of said notes, supposed to be lost as aforesaid, with the interest thereon to the time of their maturity, at any time within six months after the maturity thereof : *Provided,* That there shall not appear, before such payment, evidence satisfactory to the Secretary of the Treasury, that said notes have not been lost and destroyed : *Provided, further,* That the Secretary of the Treasury shall require of said Ober, Nanson, and Company, their assigns or legal representatives, to execute and deliver such bond of indemnity, with adequate sureties, as he may deem necessary, before such payment is made.

Secretary of the Treasury to pay to Ober, Nanson, and Company the amount of certain compound interest notes, supposed to be lost, with interest.

Proviso.
 Bond of indemnity.

APPROVED, February 22, 1867.

[No. 25.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of Stephen E. Jones.*

Feb. 22, 1867.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the paymaster-general is hereby directed to pay to Stephen E. Jones the full pay and allowances of a first lieutenant of cavalry for the period during which he actually served as aid-de-camp on the staff of General Nelson and General George H. Thomas, prior to his muster into the United States service.

Payment to Stephen E. Jones.

APPROVED, February 22, 1867.

[No. 29.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Martha McCook.*

Feb. 25, 1867.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay or cause to be paid, out of any moneys appropriated for the payment of pensions, to Mrs. Martha McCook, widow of the late Major McCook, of Jefferson county, Ohio, in consideration of the services of her husband and eight sons to the country in the late war for the Union, four of whom perished of wounds received in battle when in the line of their duty, an annuity, from and after the passage of this resolution, and during her natural life, of two hundred and fifty dollars per annum, to be paid semi-annually.

Annuity to Mrs. Martha McCook.

APPROVED, February 25, 1867.