

March 2, 1867.

[No. 62.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Dempsey Reece, of Indiana.*

Dempsey
Reece to be dis-
charged from
contract when,
&c.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be authorized and required to receive proposals for carrying the United States mail on route No. 12068, between Newcastle and Mechanicburg, in the State of Indiana; and when such bid shall be accepted, Dempsey Reece, the present contractor, shall be discharged from any further performance of his contract.

When this
resolution takes
effect.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved,* That this joint resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

APPROVED, March 2, 1867.

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[No. 63.] *Joint Resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to audit and settle the Accounts of John Sedgewick, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Third Collection District of California.*

Accounts of
John Sedgewick
to be audited
and settled.

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 be, and he is hereby, authorized to audit and settle the accounts of John Sedgewick, collector of internal revenue for the third collection district of California, for the fiscal year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, as to him may appear just and equitable.

APPROVED, March 2, 1867.

March 2, 1867.

[No. 64.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of Almanson Eaton, Receiver of Public Money for the Land Office at Stevens' Point, Wisconsin.*

Credit to be
allowed to Al-
manson Eaton
for public
money lost.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Treasury and the proper accounting officers in their departments, in settling the accounts of Almanson Eaton, receiver of public moneys for the district of lands subject to sale at Stevens' Point, Wisconsin, shall, upon satisfactory evidence being made and filed, allow and credit to said receiver the sum of two thousand and ninety-two dollars and seventy-two cents, public money, lost and destroyed by fire in the burning of the offices, books, papers, and the public money of the register and receiver at Stevens' Point, Wisconsin, on the night of the twenty-ninth of December, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-five.

APPROVED, March 2, 1867.

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[No. 65.] *Joint Resolution referring the Papers in the Case of F. A. Gibbons and F. X. Kelley to the Court of Claims.*

Papers in the
case of F. A.
Gibbons and F.
X. Kelley to be
referred back to
the court of
claims.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the papers in the case of Francis A. Gibbons and F. X. Kelley be referred back to the court of claims, and the court shall be authorized, if of opinion that the ends of justice will be subserved thereby, to grant a rehearing of the case on an amended petition, without prejudice to the claim by reason of the former decision of said court.

APPROVED, March 2, 1867.

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[No. 66.] *Joint Resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to audit and pay the Claim of John R. Beckley.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS divers horses, the property of John R. Beckley, mail contractor on mail routes number ninety-six hundred and thirty-four and number ninety-six hundred and nineteen, in the State of Kentucky, were, during the late war, captured by the rebel forces and guerillas, and lost to said contractor, while endeavoring to carry out his contract with the United States: Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to have the claim of said John R. Beckley audited, and to pay him the amount which shall be found due for the loss of property in carrying the mail, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided,* That said amount shall not exceed the sum of five thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars: *And provided further,* That it shall appear that said property was lost without any fault or negligence on the part of said John R. Beckley.

Claim of John R. Beckley to be audited and paid.
 Proviso.
 Further proviso.

APPROVED, March 2, 1867.

[No. 67.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of James I. Hudnall.*

March 2, 1867.

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 be, and he is hereby, directed, in the settlement of the accounts of James I. Hudnall, collector of the sixth congressional district of the State of Kentucky, to credit him with the sum of nineteen hundred dollars, in full for money lost by him in the town of Petersburg, Boone county, in the State of Kentucky, on the *ninth* [night] of the sixteenth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-six.

Credit to be allowed James I. Hudnall for public money lost.

APPROVED, March 2, 1867.

[No. 68.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Joseph R. Morris.*

March 2, 1867.

WHEREAS it appears from the records of the patent-office of the United States, at the city of Washington, that Joseph R. Morris, of the city of Houston, in the State of Texas, on the thirteenth day of April, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-one, filed his petition, affidavit, specification, and drawing, and made application for a patent for "a new and useful improvement in furnaces," and paid the customary fee on such application; that on the fifteenth day of April aforesaid, he deposited his model of said improvement according to law in the patent-office aforesaid; that on the eighth day of June thereafter, said invention was examined by the examiner, and a patent duly ordered to be issued; that on the eleventh day of June thereafter, a circular was issued by said patent-office to the effect that said patent was ordered to be issued in accordance with said application upon the payment of the final fee of twenty dollars: and whereas it appears that said Joseph R. Morris was prevented from obtaining his patent by the state of civil war which interdicted all communication between the State of Texas and the patent-office at the city of Washington: Therefore,

Preamble.
 Joseph R. Morris.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commissioner of patents be, and he is hereby, authorized to issue said patent to said Joseph R. Morris as of the date and with like effect as though the same had been issued on the eighth day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, except that said patent may be issued to run the usual number of years from the actual time of the issuance thereof, any law to the contrary hereof notwithstanding: *Provided,* That if, at or prior to the day when said patent shall actually be issued, any person or persons shall be actually using said improvement in furnaces, such person or persons shall not be made liable in damages for such prior use, or for the continuing use of such as have already been constructed.

Patent to issue to Joseph R. Morris.

APPROVED, March 2, 1867.

[No. 69.] *A Resolution for the Relief of certain Enlisted Men of the Seventh Regiment of West Virginia Volunteers.*

March 2, 1867.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War

Payment to William T. Con-