

curators of scientific institutions without payment of internal tax for, &c. upon giving bond, &c.

Conditions of bond.

Penalty for violation of conditions of bond.

porated or chartered scientific institutions to withdraw alcohol in specified quantities from bond without payment of the internal revenue tax on the same, or on the spirits from which the alcohol has been distilled for the sole and exclusive purpose of preserving specimens of anatomy, physiology, or of natural history belonging to said institutions: *Provided*, That the said curators, on applying for such permit, shall file a bond for double the amount of the tax on the alcohol to be withdrawn, with two good and sufficient sureties, who shall not be officers of the institution making application; said bond and sureties to be approved by the commissioner of internal revenue; and conditioned that the whole quantity of alcohol so withdrawn from bond shall be used for the purpose above specified and for no other, and that the curators shall comply with such other requirements and regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe. And if any alcohol so obtained shall be used by any curator or other officer of said institution for any purpose other than that above specified, then the said curators, officers or sureties, shall pay the tax on the whole amount of alcohol withdrawn from bond, together with a like amount as a penalty in addition thereto.

APPROVED, February 18, 1867.

Feb. 18, 1867. [No. 15.] *A Resolution in Relation to Ocean Mail Service between San Francisco, in California, and Portland, in Oregon.*

Ocean mail service between San Francisco and Portland, Oregon.

Cost not to exceed.
Bids and contracts.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ ocean mail service between San Francisco, in California, and Portland, in Oregon, not less than three times per month, in continuation of the service from New York, via Panama, to San Francisco: *Provided*, That the cost of said service shall not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars per annum. And it is hereby made the duty of the Postmaster-General, after the passage of this resolution, to advertise for bids for the performance of the service herein provided for, for at least thirty days in at least one newspaper published at San Francisco and one paper published at Portland, Oregon, and to contract therefor with the lowest responsible bidder.

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Feb. 18, 1867. [No. 16.] *Joint Resolution in Relation to the Pensions of Widows of Revolutionary Soldiers.*

Pensions of widows of revolutionary soldiers to be increased, and from what date.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the pensions of widows of revolutionary soldiers whose names are now upon the pension rolls, and who were married to revolutionary soldiers prior to January first, eighteen hundred, be, and the same are hereby, increased to and shall be paid at the same rate as the deceased soldiers would be entitled under existing laws, if now living; such increase and payment to be made from the thirtieth day of September, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.

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Feb. 18, 1867. [No. 17.] *Joint Resolution for the Purchase of David's Island, New York Harbor.*

David's Island to be purchased.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase, for the government of the United States, David's Island, in Long Island Sound, at the sum of thirty-eight thousand five hundred dollars, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the lease of Simeon Leland, dated April thirteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and renewed March thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, by which the said island was leased to the United States, and is now occupied by the same

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