Governor's Island, &c. not affected.

exceeding fifty thousand dollars: Provided, however, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the storage or keeping of ord-nance stores or other property at Governor's Island, or the use in any way for the purposes of the government of any property or building which actually belongs to the United States.

APPROVED, February 21, 1868.

Feb. 22, 1868. [No. 12.] A Resolution to authorize the Secretary of War to employ Counsel in certain

Secretary of War may employ counsel to defend officers, &c. against suits for certain acts under reconstruction laws.

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 to employ counsel for the defence of the General of the army, Major-General George G. Meade, and Brevet Brigadier-General Thomas H. Ruger, provisional governor of Georgia, and any other officer or person intrusted with the enforcement of the reconstruction acts, or either of them, against any suit or proceedings, in any court, in relation to their official acts.

SCHUYLER COLFAX,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

B. F. WADE,

President of the Senate pro tempore.

Endorsed by the President: "Received February 11, 1868."

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing resolution having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

Feb. 28, 1868. [No. 13.] A Resolution directing that the Government of Great Britain be supplied with certain Volumes of the Narrative of the exploring Expedition.

Volumes of Narrative of Exploring Expedition for British Government.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the librarian of Congress be, and is hereby, directed to deliver to the Secretary of State a set of Dana's Crustacea, being volumes thirteen and fourteen of the narrative of the exploring Expedition under Captain Wilkes; and that the Secretary of State is hereby directed to deliver them to the government of Great Britain.

APPROVED, February 28, 1868.

March 2, 1868. [No. 14.] Joint Resolution authorizing the Transmission through the Mails, free of Postage, of certain Testimonials by the Adjutant-Generals of the several States.

Medals, &c. awarded by States to soldiers may be sent by mails free of postage.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the adjutant-generals of the several States and Territories be authorized to transmit through the mails, free of postage, any medals, certificates of thanks, or other test-imonials, awarded, or which may be awarded, by the legislatures of said States and Territories to the soldiers thereof, under such regulations as the Postmaster-General may direct.

APPROVED, March 2, 1868.

March 2, 1868. [No. 15.] Joint Resolution authorizing the Comptroller of the Currency to revoke the Appointment of Receiver for the Farmers' and Citizens' National Bank of Williamsburg, New York, and to restore said Bank to its Owners under certain Conditions.

Appointment of receiver for Currency be authorized, with the approval of the Secretary of the