

March 3, 1877. [No. 6.] Joint resolution authorizing the President to designate and set apart a site for the colossal statue of "Liberty enlightening the world" and to provide for the permanent maintenance and preservation thereof.

Preamble.

Whereas, the President has communicated to Congress the information that citizens of the French Republic propose to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of our independence by erecting at their own cost a colossal bronze statue of "Liberty enlightening the world" upon a pedestal of suitable proportions to be built by private subscription upon one of the islands belonging to the United States in the harbor of New York, and

Preamble.

Whereas it is proper to provide for the care and preservation of this grand monument of art and of the abiding friendship of our ancient ally: Therefore,

Statue of "Liberty enlightening the world" accepted.

*Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President of the United States be and he is hereby authorized and directed to accept the colossal statue of "Liberty enlightening the world" when presented by citizens of the French Republic, and to designate and set apart for the erection thereof, a suitable site upon either Governors or Bedloes Island, in the harbor of New York; and upon the completion thereof shall cause the same to be inaugurated with such ceremonies as will serve to testify the gratitude of our people for this expressive and felicitous memorial of the sympathy of the citizens of our sister Republic; and he is hereby authorized to cause suitable regulations to be made for its future maintenance as a beacon, and for the permanent care and preservation thereof as a monument of art, and of the continued good will of the great nation, which aided us in our struggle for freedom.

Site for.

Inauguration of.

Approved, March 3, 1877.

March 3, 1877. [No. 7.] Joint resolution to amend the joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of War to issue arms, approved July third, eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

Arms for Territories, etc.  
1876, Res. 13,  
*Ante*, 214.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the joint resolution approved July third, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, authorizing the Secretary of War to issue arms to the Territories and the States bordering thereon, be, and the same is hereby, amended by inserting, after the words "each of said Territories," the words "and ammunition for the same, not to exceed fifty ball-cartridges for each arm."

Approved, March 3, 1877.

March 3, 1877. [No. 8.] Joint resolution to appoint a commission to examine into the matter of contracts made by and between the United States and the Moline Water Power Company as to the water power at Moline, Illinois, and to report to Congress as to same.

Preamble.

Whereas, the Moline Water Power Company, of Moline in the State of Illinois, complains that certain contracts made with said Company by the United States, through the Secretary of War, acting under the authority of Congress have not been carried out in good faith in developing and maintaining the water power at said town of Moline as required by said contracts, and that by reason of such failure said Company has sustained and is sustaining large damages, therefore,

Commission to examine Moline Water Power Company contracts.

*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 required to appoint a commission to consist of three competent Civil Engineers, one of whom shall be the Chief of Engineers of the United States Army, whose duty it shall be to examine into the subject matter of said contracts, made by and between the United States, as aforesaid, and the said Water Power Company, as to