

Jan. 20, 1817.  
ch. 4.  
Distribution  
of land laws.

pared and printed under the authority of the act entitled "An act to authorize a new edition of the collection of laws respecting the public lands," shall be distributed in the manner following; that is to say: one copy shall be delivered to the President of the United States, the Vice President, and to each member of the Senate, House of Representatives, and delegate from territories; fifteen copies shall be delivered to the secretary of the Senate, and thirty copies to the clerk of the House of Representatives, for the use of said houses, respectively; one copy shall be delivered to each of the judges of the supreme court and clerk thereof, to each of the judges of the district courts, and to each of the clerks, marshals, and attorneys, of each district; one copy shall be delivered to the Secretary of State, to the Secretary of the Treasury, to the Secretary of War, to the Secretary of the Navy, to the Attorney General, to the director of the mint, to the first and second comptrollers of the treasury; to the first, second, third, fourth, and fifth auditors, and register of the Treasury; to the Treasurer; to the Postmaster General, and the two assistant postmasters general, and to the commissioner of the general land office; two copies shall be delivered to the legislatures of the several states and territories, respectively; and one copy shall be delivered to each of the governors of the several states and territories; and one copy shall be delivered to each of the judges of the courts of the several territories; one copy shall be delivered to the surveyor general of the United States, the surveyor of the lands of the United States south of Tennessee, to the surveyor of the public lands in the northern part of the late Mississippi territory, and the surveyor of the public lands in the territories of Illinois and Missouri; to each of the principal deputy surveyors one copy; there shall be delivered one copy to each of the registers and receivers of public moneys in the land offices established, or that may hereafter be established, in the several states and territories; and fifty copies shall be placed in the hands of the Secretary of the Treasury, to be distributed among the officers and clerks in his department, as he may think proper; two hundred and fifty copies shall be placed in the library, and remain there under the same regulations as the other laws of the United States; and the remainder shall be placed in the library, and each member of Congress hereafter elected shall, so long as any remain, exclusive of the two hundred and fifty copies before mentioned, be entitled to one copy at the commencement of that session of Congress next succeeding his election.

Fifty copies in the hands of the Secretary of the Treasury, for distribution.

250 copies in the library, &c. Remainder in the library for members of Congress, as elected.

APPROVED, March 9, 1818.

March 18, 1818.

VI. RESOLUTION directing the judges of the Supreme Court to be furnished with Wait's state papers.

One set of Wait's edition of state papers to be distributed to each of the judges of the Supreme Court.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of State cause to be distributed one set of state papers and public documents, printed by T. B. Wait and Sons, in pursuance of acts of Congress heretofore passed, to the chief justice, and to each of the judges of the Supreme Court of the United States.

APPROVED, March 18, 1818.

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VII. RESOLUTION authorizing the transportation of certain documents free of postage.

Members of Congress, &c. authorized to

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the members of Congress, the delegates from territories, the secretary of the Senate, and the clerk

of the House of Representatives, be, and they are hereby authorized to transmit, free of postage, the message of the President of the United States, of the fourteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and the documents accompanying the same, printed by order of the Senate and by order of the House of Representatives, to any post-office within the United States and the territories thereof.

transmit the President's message of 14th March, 1818.

APPROVED, March 19, 1818.

VIII. RESOLUTION directing the publication and distribution of the journal and proceedings of the convention which formed the present constitution of the United States.

March 27, 1818.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the journal of the convention which formed the present constitution of the United States, now remaining in the office of the Secretary of State, and all acts and proceedings of that convention, which are in the possession of the government of the United States, be published under the direction of the President of the United States, together with the secret journals of the acts and proceedings, and the foreign correspondence of the Congress of the United States, from the first meeting thereof down to the date of the ratification of the definitive treaty of peace between Great Britain and the United States, in the year seventeen hundred and eighty-three, except such parts of the said foreign correspondence as the President of the United States may deem it improper at this time to publish. And that one thousand copies thereof be printed, of which one copy shall be furnished to each member of the present Congress, and the residue shall remain subject to the future disposition of Congress.

Journal, &c. of the convention which formed the constitution of the United States, to be published under the direction of the President.

Secret journals of acts and proceedings, and foreign correspondence, of Congress, prior to the peace of 1783, to be also published.

Distribution.

APPROVED, March 27, 1818.

IX.—RESOLUTION directing the distribution of the laws of the fourteenth Congress among the members of the fifteenth Congress.

March 27, 1818.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That the secretary of the Senate and clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to procure from the Secretary of State as many copies of the laws of the fourteenth Congress as shall be necessary, and to distribute one copy thereof to each senator, representative, and delegate from the territories, of the fifteenth Congress who have not been supplied therewith.

Distribution.

APPROVED, March 27, 1818.

X. RESOLUTION directing the Secretary for the Department of State to prepare an index to the acts and resolutions of Congress, after the close of every session.

April 3, 1818.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That after the close of each session of Congress, an alphabetical index of the acts and joint resolutions passed at the preceding session shall be prepared, printed, and distributed, therewith, under the direction of the Secretary for the Department of State.

An alphabetical index of the acts and resolutions to be prepared, printed, and distributed, therewith.

APPROVED, April 3, 1818.