

Resolution to
be communi-
cated.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved*, That the Secretary of the Navy be directed to communicate the foregoing resolution to Commodore Ringgold, and through him to the officers and men under his command.

APPROVED, March 7, 1864.

March 17, 1864.

[No. 20.] *Joint Resolution to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to anticipate the Payment of Interest on the Public Debt, and for other Purposes.*

Secretary of
Treasury may
anticipate the
interest on the
public debt.

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 authorized to anticipate the payment of interest on the public debt, by a period not exceeding one year, from time to time, either with or without a rebate of interest upon the coupons, as to him may seem expedient; and he is hereby authorized to dispose of any gold in the treasury of the United States not necessary for the payment of interest of the public debt: *Provided*, That the obligation to create the sinking fund according to the act of February twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall not be impaired thereby.

Proviso.
1862, ch. 33.
Vol. xii. p. 345.

APPROVED, March 17, 1864.

March 25, 1864.

[No. 21.] *A Joint Resolution authorizing the Issue of a Register to the Steamer "Mohawk."*

Register to
issue to steamer
Mohawk.

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 is hereby, authorized to issue an American register to the Canadian-built steamer "Mohawk," now owned by Warren Chapman, George Parmelee, and Matthias Teetzel, of Saint Joseph, in the State of Michigan: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall in anywise affect any legal proceedings now pending in regard to the said steamer "Mohawk."

Proviso.

APPROVED, March 25, 1864.

April 19, 1864.

[No. 22.] *Joint Resolution tendering the Thanks of Congress to Admiral Porter.*

Thanks of
congress to
Admiral Porter.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the thanks of congress be, and they are hereby, tendered to Admiral David D. Porter, commanding the Mississippi squadron, for the eminent skill, endurance, and gallantry exhibited by him and his squadron, in coöperation with the army, in opening the Mississippi River.

APPROVED, April 19, 1864.

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[No. 23.] *Joint Resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to sell at Public Auction Lot Number Thirteen, in the Village of Sackett's Harbor, New York.*

Secretary of
Navy may sell a
lot of land at
auction in Sack-
ett's Harbor,
New York.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered, at his discretion, to sell at public auction, after proper advertisement, and to convey, by quit-claim or otherwise, lot number thirteen, in the village of Sackett's Harbor, New York, the same not being wanted for use by the United States.

APPROVED, April 19, 1864.

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[No. 24.] *Joint Resolution relative to the Accounts of the Petty Officers, Seamen, and others of the Crew of the United States Gunboat "Cincinnati."*

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the treasury be, and they are hereby, authorized, in settling the