

Feb. 25, 1865. [No. 20.] *Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue American Registers to British Schooners "Minnie Williams" and "E. M. Baxter."*

Registers to
issue to the
schooners "Min-
nie Williams,"
and "E. M. Bax-
ter."

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 is hereby authorized and directed to issue American registers to the British-built schooners "Minnie Williams" and "E. M. Baxter," said vessels being now owned by a citizen of Buffalo, New York.

APPROVED, February 25, 1865.

Feb. 28, 1865. [No. 23.] *Joint Resolution in Relation to the Distribution of Books and Documents.*

Distribution of
certain books and
documents.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the undistributed portions of the books and documents heretofore printed or purchased for its use by order of either house of congress, previous to the thirty-seventh congress, and now deposited in the Interior Department and elsewhere, be distributed to members of the present congress, under the direction of the joint committee on printing; and said committee is hereby directed to divide the books in question into parcels equal in number to the whole number of senators, representatives, and delegates from territories, and as nearly equal in value and importance as possible, and to distribute them to the senators, representatives, and delegates by such method as may be found most feasible and proper.

APPROVED, February 28, 1865.

March 2, 1865. [No. 24.] *Joint Resolution to provide for the Publication of a full Army Register.*

Full army
register to be
published.

Copies may be
sold.

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 required to cause to be printed and published a full roster or roll of all general, field, line, and staff officers of volunteers who have been in the army of the United States at any time since the beginning of the present rebellion, including all informal organizations which have been recognized or accepted and paid by the United States, showing whether they are yet in the service, or have been discharged therefrom, and giving casualties and other explanations proper for such register. And, to defray in whole or in part the expenses of this publication, an edition of twenty-five thousand copies of such enlarged register shall be published and may be sold to officers, soldiers, or citizens, at a price which shall not more than cover the actual cost of paper, printing, and binding, and shall not in any case exceed one dollar per volume.

APPROVED, March 2, 1865.

March 2, 1865. [No. 25.] *Joint Resolution authorizing a Contract with William H. Powell for a Picture for the Capitol.*

Contract with
William H. Pow-
ell for picture.

Expense not to
exceed \$25,000.

Mode of pay-
ment.

*Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the joint committee on the library be, and they are hereby, directed to enter into a contract with William H. Powell, of the State of Ohio, to paint a picture for the United States, to be placed at the head of one of the grand staircases in the Capitol, illustrative of some naval victory; the particular subject of the painting to be agreed on by the committee and the artist: *Provided*, That the entire expense of said picture shall not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, and two thousand dollars shall be paid to said William H. Powell, in advance, to enable him to prepare for the work, the remainder of said instalments at intervals of not less than one year, the last instalment to be retained until the picture is completed and put up.*

APPROVED, March 2, 1865.