

benefit of said act, approved March third, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, the same as if he had been discharged from the service by reason of wounds received in battle, or had served out the full period of his enlistment.

APPROVED, February 25, 1865.

March 2, 1865. [No. 26.] *Joint Resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to advance to Paul S. Forbes two hundred and fifty thousand Dollars additional out of the Sum to be paid him under his Contract for building a Steam Screw Sloop-of-War.*

Advance of
\$250,000 to Paul
S. Forbes.

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 to pay to Paul S. Forbes, of the city of New York, the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, in addition to the sums heretofore paid, to apply on his contract of the date of May twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, for building a steam screw sloop-of-war, the same being an advance payment on the contract, to aid in the completion of said sloop-of-war: Provided, That no part of said sum shall be paid without the assent in writing of the sureties of said Paul S. Forbes: And provided further, That nothing in this resolution contained shall be so construed as in any manner to affect or vary said contract, except as to the time of making said payment.

APPROVED, March 2, 1865.

March 3, 1865. [No. 38.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Mrs. Lucy A. Rice, late of Richmond, Virginia.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS Mrs. Lucy A. Rice, late of Richmond, Virginia, by her courage and patriotic devotion in saving Colonel Streight and his party, and enabling them to make their escape from the hands of the rebels, has deserved well of the country,

Gift of \$1500
to Lucy A. Rice.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to said Lucy A. Rice, her heirs or administrators, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 3, 1865.

March 3, 1865. [No. 39.] *A Resolution authorizing the Acceptance of a Sword of Honor from the Government of Great Britain, by Captain Henry S. Stellwagen, of the United States Navy.*

Captain Stell-
wagen of the
navy may re-
ceive a sword of
honor from gov-
ernment of Great
Britain.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Captain Henry S. Stellwagen, of the navy of the United States, be, and he hereby is, authorized to accept the sword of honor recently presented to him by the government of Great Britain as a mark of their gratitude for the assistance rendered by him, while in command of the frigate Constellation, to the British brigantine Mersey when in a disabled condition.

APPROVED, March 3, 1865.

March 3, 1865. [No. 40.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Garrett R. Barry, a Paymaster in the United States Navy.*

Garrett R.
Barry released
as surety of
John De Bree.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Paymaster Garrett R. Barry, United States navy, be, and he is hereby, released from his liability as surety of John De Bree, formerly paymaster in the navy of the United States.

APPROVED, March 3, 1865.