

ship canal to connect lakes Erie and Ontario.

1866, ch. 138.
1867, ch. 144.
Vol. xiv. pp. 70, 418.

estimates of cost, to be made by an officer of engineers for a ship canal to connect lakes Erie and Ontario, or the navigable waters thereof, of suitable location and dimensions for military, naval, and commercial purposes, and that the expenses of the same be defrayed from the sums appropriated in the acts of June twenty-three, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and March two, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, for examinations and surveys relating to the improvement of harbors and rivers on the northwestern lakes.

APPROVED, March 22, 1867.

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1852, ch. 106, § 9.
Vol. x. p. 66.

[No. 10.] *A Resolution amending the ninth Section of "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the better Security of the Lives of Passengers on board of Vessels propelled in whole or in part by Steam,' and for other Purposes," approved August thirtieth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two.*

Friction-matches may be carried on board passenger steam-boats, and how.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fifth division of the ninth section of an act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled in whole or part by steam and for other purposes," approved August thirtieth, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-two, is so far amended that inspectors may, in the license therein provided for, exempt a steamer from the obligation to carry in a safe, chest, or apartment, composed of or lined with metal, compact packages of friction-matches, securely packed in strong, tight wooden chests or boxes, the covers of which shall be firmly fastened on by locks, screws, or other fastenings, and which shall be stowed in a safe part of the steamer designated in their license by the inspectors, and at a safe distance from any fire.

APPROVED, March 22, 1867.

March 25, 1867.

[No. 11.] *Joint Resolution fixing the Rate of Duty on Umbrellas, and on Wire Spiral Furniture Springs.*

Duty upon imported umbrellas, sun-shades, &c. and on wire spiral furniture springs.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this joint resolution, there shall be levied, collected, and paid upon umbrellas, parasols, and sun-shades, imported from foreign countries, when made of silk, no lower rate of duty than that now imposed upon piece and dress silks, namely, sixty per centum ad valorem; and when made of other materials than silk, the duty shall be fifty per centum ad valorem; and that wire spiral furniture springs, imported from foreign countries, manufactured of iron wire, shall be required to pay the same rate of duty as now imposed on iron wire, namely, two cents per pound, and fifteen per centum ad valorem.

APPROVED, March 25, 1867.

March 26, 1867.

[No. 12.] *A Resolution to terminate a Contract of a Member of Congress with the Post-Office Department of the United States of America.*

Preamble.
1808, ch. 48.
Vol. ii. p. 484.

WHEREAS it is declared by an act of Congress, approved April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and eight, that "No member of Congress shall directly or indirectly, himself or by any other person, in trust for him, or for his use or benefit, or on his account, execute, hold, or enjoy, in whole or in part, any contract or agreement, hereafter to be made, or entered into, with any officer of the United States * * * or to any benefit to arise therefrom," and so forth; and whereas the present contractor for route No. 14782, from Lincoln, California, to Portland, Oregon, has recently been elected United States Senator: Therefore,

Postmaster-General to cancel a certain contract for conveying the mail,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby, authorized to cancel the contract between the United States and the present contractor for the transportation of the mail on route No. 14782, between Lincoln, California and Portland, Oregon, an-