[No. 17.] *Joint Resolution in Regard to the Publication of postal Conventions made with foreign Countries.* March 1, 1869.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of State be authorized and directed to cause the several postal conventions made with foreign countries, under the provisions of the act of March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, or which may hereafter be made, to be published in the same manner, and upon the same terms, as is prescribed for the publication of the treaties and laws of the United States.

Postal conventions to be published, &c. 1851, ch. 20, § 2. Vol. ix. p. 587. 1851, ch. 48, § 2. Vol. ix. p. 645. *Ante*, p. 40.

APPROVED, March 1, 1869.

[No. 19.] *A Resolution providing for the Reporting and Publication of the Debates in Congress.* March 3, 1869.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the joint committee of Congress on public printing is hereby authorized to contract, on behalf of the general government, with Rives and Bailey for the reporting and publication of the debates in Congress for the term of two years, on and from the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine: *Provided*, That, before the United States shall be called on to pay for any reporting or publication of the debates, the accounts therefor shall be submitted to the joint committee on public printing or to such other officer or officers of Congress as they may designate, and on their or his approbation thereof, as being in all respects according to the contracts, it shall be paid for from the treasury of the United States, after having passed the proper accounting officers thereof.

Contract to be made with Rives and Bailey for reporting, &c. debates in Congress for two years.

Proviso.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved*, That in case the joint committee on public printing are unable to conclude a satisfactory contract with the said Rives and Bailey, or that they be unable to fulfil any contract that they may make, the joint committee on printing be authorized to have the debates reported and printed under the direction of the congressional printer at the government printing office.

Debates to be reported, &c. under direction of congressional printer, if &c.

SEC. 3. *And be it further resolved*, That for the purpose aforesaid there be appropriated and paid, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Appropriation.

APPROVED, March 3, 1869.

[No. 20.] *A Resolution for printing the Medical and Surgical History of the Rebellion.* March 3, 1869.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be printed at the government printing office five thousand copies of the first part of the Medical and Surgical History of the Rebellion, compiled by the surgeon-general under the direction of the Secretary of War, and five thousand copies of the Medical Statistics of the Provost-Marshal's Bureau, compiled and to be completed by Surgeon J. H. Baxter, as authorized by an act of Congress, approved July twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, which also provides that the editions of both publications thus ordered shall be disposed of as Congress may hereafter direct.

"Medical, &c. History of the Rebellion" and "Medical Statistics of the Provost Marshal's Bureau" to be printed. 1866, ch. 296. Vol. xiv. p. 310.

APPROVED, March 3, 1869.

[No. 21.] *A Resolution giving the Assent of the United States to the Construction of the Newport and Cincinnati Bridge.* March 3, 1869.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress be, and the same is hereby, given to the erection of a bridge over the Ohio river from the city of Cincinnati, Ohio, to the city of Newport,

Consent of Congress given to the erection of a bridge over the Ohio river from Cincinnati, O., to Newport, Ky.

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