

Dec. 23, 1869. [No. 5.] *Joint Resolution relating to Steamboats and other Vessels owned in the loyal States.*

Claims for steamboats, &c. not debarred by act 1867, ch. 57, Vol. xiv. p. 397, if, &c.

[Amended, Pub. Res. No. 50. Post, p. 600. See also Vol. xvii. p. 12.]

*Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act of February nineteenth, [twenty-first] eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "An act to declare the sense of an act entitled 'An act to restrict the jurisdiction of the Court of Claims,'" and so forth, and so forth, shall not apply to nor be construed to debar the settlement of claims for steamboats or other vessels taken without consent of the owner, or impressed into the military service of the United States, during the late war, in States or parts of States declared in insurrection: Provided, That the claimants were loyal at the time their claims originated, and remained loyal thereafter, and were residents of loyal States, and such steamboats or other vessels were in the insurrectionary districts by proper authority, viz.: charter, contract, impressment, or in conformity with rules or regulations established by the Secretary of the Treasury and approved by the President of the United States.*

APPROVED, December 23, 1869.

Dec. 23, 1869. [No. 6.] *Joint Resolution of Tribute to the Memory of George Peabody, deceased.*

Preamble.

Whereas, in the death of George Peabody, a native of the United States, and late a resident of England, our country and the world have sustained an irretrievable loss; and whereas the Queen of Great Britain, the authorities of London, and the Emperor of France have made extraordinary provision for the transfer of his remains to his native land: Therefore,

The President to make suitable preparation for the reception of the body of George Peabody.

*Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be authorized to make such preparation for the reception of the body of our distinguished philanthropist as is merited by his glorious deeds, and in a manner commensurate with the justice, magnanimity, and dignity of a great people.*

Appropriation.

*And be it further resolved, That the expenses incurred by such ceremonial as the President may adopt in the premises shall be paid by any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.*

APPROVED, December 23, 1869.

Feb. 2, 1870. [No. 7.] *A Resolution to extend the Port of Entry of the Collection District of New Orleans.*

Port of entry of New Orleans extended.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the limits of the port of New Orleans as a port of entry be enlarged and extended so as to include all that portion of the parish of Jefferson, left bank, in the State of Louisiana, lying between the Mississippi river and Lake Pontchartrain, and between the upper line of the parish of Orleans, left bank, and a line running parallel thereto, commencing at the Mississippi river, at the upper line of the city of Carrollton, and extending to Lake Pontchartrain.*

Resolution when to take effect.

*SEC. 2. And be it further resolved, That this resolution shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.*

APPROVED, February 2, 1870.

Feb. 3, 1870. [No. 8.] *A Resolution authorizing the Passport Clerk at the Department of State to administer Oaths and Affirmations on Applications for Passports.*

Passport clerk in State Depart-

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the clerk in the Department of State who may from time to time be assigned to the duty of*