May 4, 1870. [No. 41.] *Joint Resolution authorizing the Sale of certain Lands at Springfield, Massachusetts, and for other Purposes.*

Certain land in Springfield, Mass., may be sold to Horace Kibbe.

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 to sell to Horace Kibbe, of Springfield, Massachusetts, at its full value, to be determined by the superintendent and paymaster, jointly, with the approval of the Secretary of War, of the national armory in said Springfield, a small detached piece of land belonging to, but of no use or value to the public, lying at the junction of Federal and Armory streets in said Springfield, and containing about forty-three square rods, on the condition that the said Kibbe shall grant all that portion of said lot lying to the south of the north line of Grant Street to the city of Springfield, for use as a public park forever. And on full payment of the appraised value thereof, and compliance with the condition before stated, the Secretary of War shall execute all necessary deeds for the conveyance of the lot to the purchaser thereof.

Byers Street, Springfield, Mass., to be a public highway. See Pub. Res. No. 69. *Post*, p. 379.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved*, That *Ryers* [Byers] Street, heretofore opened on the public land at Springfield, Massachusetts, shall be, and is hereby declared to be, a public highway or thoroughfare for general use.

APPROVED, May 4, 1870.

May 4, 1870. [No. 42.] *Joint Resolution for the Return of Evidence of honorable Discharge to Officers and enlisted Men.*

Evidence of honorable discharge to be returned to officers and enlisted men.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where it has become necessary for any officer or enlisted man of the army to file his evidence of honorable discharge from the military service of the United States, to secure the settlement of his accounts, the accounting officer with whom it has been filed shall, upon application by said officer or enlisted man, deliver to him such evidence of honorable discharge, *providing* [provided] his accounts shall have been duly settled; and provided that the fact, date, and amount of such settlement shall first be clearly written across the face of such evidence of honorable discharge, and attested by the signature of the accounting officer.

Proviso.

APPROVED, May 4, 1870.

May 4, 1870. [No. 43.] *Joint Resolution making an Appropriation to defray the Expenses of the Committee on Education and Labor, incurred in Pursuance of Investigations ordered by the House of Representatives.*

Appropriation for expenses of committee on education and labor.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congsess assembled, That the sum of three thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses to be incurred by the committee on education and labor, in conducting the investigation ordered by the House of Representatives by resolution of April sixth, eighteen hundred and seventy.

APPROVED, May 4, 1870.

May 5, 1870. [No. 47.] *A Resolution authorizing the Postmaster-General to prescribe an earlier Time for the Execution of Contracts by accepted Bidders, and for other Purposes.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS in the instructions appended to an advertisement issued by the Postmaster-General on the thirtieth day of September, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, inviting proposals for carrying the mails of the United States for four years from the first July, eighteen hundred and seventy, in the States of California, Oregon, and Nevada, and in the Territories of Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, and Arizona, it is stipulated that the contracts are to be executed by or before the

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