July 14, 1870. [No. 122.] *A Resolution authorizing the Postmaster-General to continue to use in the postal Service a certain Invention and Device for the Post-marking of Mail Packages and for the more permanent Cancellation of Postage-Stamps, and to make a just and equitable Compensation for the past and future Use of the same by the Post-Office Department.*

Right to the invention, &c. for post-marking mail packages, &c. and cancellation of postage-stamps, to be investigated, and pay for the use thereof, &c.

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 and directed to investigate the right and title of claimants to the invention, device, or instruments for the post-marking and postage-stamp cancel[l]ing in the postal service, patented on the fourteenth day of April, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, reissued the twenty-third day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and again reissued the third day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, and now and for many years past in general use in the postal service of the United States; and to ascertain and determine upon a fair, just, and equitable compensation for the use of the said invention and device from the date of its use by the Post-Office Department, and also to ascertain and determine upon a fair and equitable compensation for its future use and value to the Post-Office Department and government while the said letters-patent shall continue, and to whom it should be paid under the said letters-patent and reissues thereof; and to report the amount thus ascertained and determined to Congress at its next session.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

July 14, 1870. [No. 123.] *A Resolution for the Relief of Captain John Faunce, and others, Officers of the Revenue Cutter Harriet Lane.*

Payment to Captain John Faunce and other officers of the Harriet Lane of certain difference of pay.

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 and directed to pay to the officers of the revenue cutter Harriet Lane, and to the heir or heirs of such as may have died since the transfer of the said vessel to the Secretary of the Navy for the purpose of the Paraguay expedition, the difference of pay between that at that time allowed the officers of the revenue service and the sum of eighteen hundred dollars per annum for captain, fifteen hundred dollars per annum for first lieutenant, and one thousand dollars per annum each for second and third lieutenants, while they were employed on said revenue cutter in regular naval service.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

July 14, 1870. [No. 124.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of I. Edwards Clarke, and the Heirs and legal Representatives of John T. Peabody, deceased.*

Payment to I. Edwards Clarke and the heirs, &c. of John T. Peabody.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to I. Edwards Clarke, late marshal of the United States provisional court of the State of Louisiana, the sum of six thousand one hundred and one dollars and sixty-six cents; and to the heirs and legal representatives of John T. Peabody, deceased, late clerk of said court, the sum of three thousand four hundred and three dollars and thirty-three cents, in full satisfaction for all services, claims, and expenditures of said officers in behalf of the United States.

APPROVED, July 14, 1870.

July 14, 1870. [No. 125.] *A Resolution authorizing the Secretary of War to donate certain Buildings to the Saint Aloysius Relief Society of Washington, District of Columbia.*

Certain buildings in Washington given to the

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be authorized and directed to donate to the Saint Aloysius Relief Society, of Washington, District of Columbia, for charitable purposes, the two frame

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