[No. 37.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of Mary A. Elliot.* Feb. 17, 1871.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States, in favor of the said Mary A. Elliot, hereby surrender, abandon, and forever release all right or claim they may have, by reason of any escheat, to lot numbered eleven, in square numbered four hundred and six, in the city of Washington, District of Columbia.

Release to Mary A. Elliot.

APPROVED, February 17, 1871.

[No. 38.] *A Resolution relative to the Steamship Meteor.* Feb. 17, 1871.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the memorial of Robert B. Forbes, John M. Forbes, W. H. Aspinwall, A. A. Low and brothers, Leonard W. Jerome, E. B. Ward, M. H. Simpson, James Lawrence, H. S. Russell, and Theodore Lyman, executors, Richard S. Rodgers, J. G. Cushing, W. B. Bacon, J. P. Boyley, James Davis, and J. F. Tuckerman, owners of the steamship Meteor, built to be tendered to the government for the pursuit of the rebel cruiser the Alabama, and wrongfully seized and detained at New York in eighteen hundred and sixty-five, by authority of the United States, and all papers relating thereto, be referred to the court of claims for examination, and the allowance of the amount of damages actually sustained by said owners by reason of such wrongful seizure and detention; the judgment rendered by said court to be paid out of the appropriations duly made to pay judgments rendered by said court: *Provided*, That said damages shall only include detention, deterioration, and actual expenditures, but excluding all damages for loss of market, or breaking up a voyage.

Claim of owners of the steamship Meteor to be referred to the court of claims.

Judgment of the court how to be paid.

Limit to damages.

APPROVED, February 17, 1871.

[No. 41.] *A Resolution prescribing the Oath to be taken by H. V. M. Miller, Senator elect from Georgia.* Feb. 23, 1871.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That H. V. M. Miller, of Georgia, on entering upon the discharge of the duties of any office or position to which he has been or may be elected or appointed, instead of the oath prescribed by the act of July two, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, may take and subscribe the oath prescribed by the act of Congress entitled "An act prescribing an oath of office to be taken by persons from whom legal disabilities shall have been removed," approved July eleven, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.

Form of oath to be taken by H. V. M. Miller.

1862, ch. 128. Vol. xii. p. 502.

1868, ch. 139. Vol. xv. p. 85.

APPROVED, February 23, 1871.

[No. 43.] *Joint Resolution for the Relief of John L. Thomas, Jr., and Edwin H. Webster, the present and former Collector of Customs at Baltimore, and late United States designated Depositaries.* Feb. 24, 1871.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed, in the settlement of the accounts of John L. Thomas, junior, and Edwin H. Webster, as collectors of customs of the district of Baltimore, and as late United States designated depositaries, to allow them such amounts as are shown to have been stolen or embezzled by their late deputy collectors, Richard N. Bowerman and Thomas J. Wilson, the Secretary of the Treasury being satisfied that such embezzlement or larceny did not occur through the negligence or default of said Thomas and said Webster: *Provided*, That in case any of the moneys so embezzled or stolen shall hereafter be recovered, the same shall inure to the benefit of the United States.

Allowances to be made to John L. Thomas, Jr., and Edwin H. Webster in settlement of accounts.

APPROVED, February 24, 1871.

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