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[No. 18.] Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of War to loan tents to the citizens' committee of the city of Cincinnati for the use of the thirty-second national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

March 19, 1898.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized, at his discretion, to loan to the citizens' committee having charge of the arrangements for the thirty-second national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, to be held in the city of Cincinnati in September, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and to deliver to William B. Melish, the executive director of said committee, for the use of said committee, the following, namely: Sibley tents, common A tents, and flood-sufferers' tents, with poles, ridges, and pins for each, under such restrictions as is usual in such cases, and with the proviso that no expense shall be caused the United States by the delivery and return of such property; the same to be delivered to said executive director at such time prior to the date of said encampment as may be agreed upon between the Secretary of War and said executive director; the number of said tents so loaned not to exceed fifteen hundred.

Grand Army of the Republic.
Loan of tents for use of thirty-second national encampment.
No expense to United States.
Date of delivery.
Number.

Approved, March 19, 1898.

[No. 19.] Joint Resolution Providing for the temporary admission free of duty of naval and military supplies procured abroad.

April 1, 1898.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That such guns, ammunition, and other naval and military supplies as may be purchased abroad by this Government for the national defense prior to January first, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, shall be admitted at any port of entry in the United States free of duty.

National defense.
Admission free of duty of ammunition, etc.

Approved, April 1, 1898.

[No. 20.] Joint Resolution Granting permission for the erection of a monument or statue in Washington City, District of Columbia, in honor of the late Albert Pike.

April 9, 1898.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That permission be, and is hereby, granted the Supreme Council of the Inspectors-General of the Thirty-Third Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America to erect a monument or statue to the memory and in honor of Albert Pike, in such place in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, other than the Capitol or Library grounds, as shall be designated by the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, the Joint Committee on the Library, and the committee of the Supreme Council of said rite appointed by it for that purpose. The said monument or statue shall not cost less than ten thousand dollars, and to be presented to the people of the United States by said Supreme Council.

District of Columbia.
Albert Pike monument.
Permission to erect etc.

Approved, April 9, 1898.

[No. 21.] Joint Resolution Relative to suspension of part of section three hundred and fifty-five of Revised Statutes, relative to erection of forts, fortifications, and so forth.

April 11, 1898.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in case of emergency when, in the opinion of the President, the immediate erection of any temporary fort or fortification is deemed important and urgent, such temporary

Erection of fortifications in cases of emergency.