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[No. 49.] Joint Resolution Instructing the Secretary of War to return to the State of Ohio the flags of certain regiments of Ohio Volunteer Infantry. Also to restore to the State of New York the flag carried by the One hundred and thirteenth New York Volunteer Infantry.

Return to States of certain flags used in rebellion, etc.

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, instructed to return to the State of Ohio the regimental flags of the Twenty-first, Fifty-eighth, and Sixtieth Regiments of Ohio Volunteer Infantry, upon request of the Governor of said State.

That the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to turn over and deliver to the State of New York the flag now in his custody that was carried by the One hundred and thirteenth New York State Volunteer Infantry (Seventh Heavy Artillery), that was raised and enlisted in the United States service from the State of New York during the rebellion.

Approved, June 15, 1898.

June 16, 1898.

[No. 50.] Joint Resolution Directing the Secretary of War to submit estimates for work upon Wallabout Channel, New York.

Wallabout Channel, New York. Estimates for work on, etc.

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 and directed to submit estimates for work on Wallabout Channel, New York, with a view to secure a depth of twenty feet and a width of three hundred feet at mean low water from its entrance to the timber causeway, in accordance with the plans heretofore submitted, and that the Secretary of War be, and is hereby, requested to submit his opinion as to the advisability of the proposed improvement.

Approved, June 16, 1898.

June 25, 1898.

[No. 51.] Joint Resolution To authorize and direct the Secretary of the Treasury to refund and return to the Chicago, Milwaukee and Saint Paul Railway Company fifteen thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars and seventy-six cents, in accordance with the decision of the Secretary of the Interior dated March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway. Preamble.

Whereas the Chicago, Milwaukee and Saint Paul Railway Company, in eighteen hundred and eighty, being duly authorized by the Secretary of the Interior, entered into negotiations with the Sioux Indians for right of way for a railroad through the Sioux Reservation in Dakota Territory; and

Whereas an agreement was entered into by said railway company and certain chiefs and headmen of the Sioux Nation of Indians, and pending the ratification of said agreement the said railway company deposited or paid to the Secretary of the Interior fifteen thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars and seventy-six cents, to be applied as said right of way, depot grounds, and so forth, in case the same were obtained for said company; and

Whereas the Secretary of the Interior deposited said money in the Treasury of the United States and sent said agreements to Congress for ratification, which said agreements were never ratified and none of the lands or rights of way were ever secured by said railway company; but all of the said lands remained a part of the reservation until ceded by the said Indians subsequently to the United States; and

Whereas application was made to the Secretary of the Interior for the return of said money to said company, and on March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, the said Secretary decided that said fifteen thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars and seventy-six cents should be returned to said company, and ordered an account to