

for the state of Alabama to alter the plan for the improvement on the Tennessee river below Florence, by canalling instead of sluicing, so as to accomplish the object which Congress had in view in making the appropriation: *Provided*, That not more than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, including the sum already expended on that part of the river, shall be expended below the said town of Florence.

APPROVED, July 16, 1832.

Plan for improvement of Tennessee river authorized to be altered.
Proviso.

RESOLUTIONS.

I. RESOLUTION empowering the Secretary of the Navy to settle certain contracts, and to relinquish certain forfeitures.

Feb. 10, 1832.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be empowered to relinquish and pay all forfeitures on contracts made by the board of navy commissioners, when said forfeitures have arisen by the extension of the contracts, or where the contracts have been completed by the approbation of the board of navy commissioners, without any injury to the public service; and the Secretary of the Navy is empowered to fulfil all outstanding contracts where the time for their performance has been extended, or where the completion of said contracts has been prevented by unavoidable accident, and the public service has sustained no injury.

Contracts to be settled.

Outstanding contracts to be fulfilled.

APPROVED, February 10, 1832.

II. RESOLUTION concerning the recording of patents for useful inventions.

March 7, 1832.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of State, out of the proceeds arising from the fees on patents for useful inventions, discoveries, and improvements, procure the necessary books, stationery, and other accommodations for recording the patents issued and unrecorded, as well as those hereafter to be issued, and that he employ, and pay at a rate not exceeding twelve and a half cents for every hundred words, so many clerks as may be requisite, with convenient despatch, to record the same.

Patents to be recorded.

APPROVED, March 7, 1832.

III. RESOLUTION respecting the pay of the marine corps.

May 25, 1832.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the pay, subsistence, emoluments, and allowances of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates of the United States marine corps, shall be the same as they were previously to the first of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, and shall so continue until they shall be altered by law.

The pay of the marines to continue as previous to April 1, 1829.

APPROVED, May 25, 1832.

IV. RESOLUTION transferring certain duties, relating to pensions, from the Treasury to the War Department.

June 28, 1832.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That all the duties which devolve upon the Secretary of the Treasury by virtue of an act, approved the seventh of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, entitled "An act supplementary to the act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the army of the revolution," be, and the same are hereby, transferred to the Secretary of War.

Duties transferred from the Secretary of the Treasury to the Secretary of War.
Act of June 7, 1832, ch. 126.

APPROVED, June 28, 1832.