tors, deeds and titles for the lands so exchanged and disposed of to establish convenient boundaries.

Authorized to ratify the exchange made with the Wager family of land at Harper's Ferry.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved*, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to ratify and confirm an exchange of land at Harper's Ferry, in the State of Virginia, which has been made between the United States and the Wager family for the purpose of securing a more convenient access to the workshops of the United States armory at that place, and to give and receive deeds to and from the persons lawfully holding the land thus obtained from the United States, and the legal owners of the land, the occupancy of which was transferred to the United States in exchange therefor.

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No. 18. *Joint Resolution tendering the thanks of Congress to the British authorities at Gibraltar, and the commander, officers, and crew of her Britannic Majesty's ship Malabar.*

President to communicate to them the high sense of Congress of their zeal displayed on the burning of the Missouri.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be requested to communicate to the British Government, in such manner as he may deem proper, the high sense entertained by Congress of the generous zeal displayed by the British authorities at Gibraltar, and the commander, officers and crew of her Britannic Majesty's ship Malabar, in endeavoring to save from destruction the American steam frigate Missouri, and in preserving the lives of her officers and crew, as well as of the kindness and hospitality which characterized their treatment of the ship's company of that vessel, after her unfortunate destruction by fire.

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