

as a testimony of the high sense entertained by Congress of his judicious and distinguished conduct on that memorable occasion.

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to cause the foregoing resolutions to be communicated to Major-General Taylor, in such terms as he may deem best calculated to give effect to the object thereof.

APPROVED, May 9, 1848.

The President requested to cause these resolutions to be communicated to General Taylor.

[No. 8.] — *Joint Resolution in Relation to the Transportation and Discharge of the Military Forces of the United States at the Close of the War with Mexico.*

June 16, 1848.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on the restoration of peace with Mexico, by a treaty of peace duly ratified and proclaimed, all the military forces of the United States, whether volunteers, regulars, or the marine corps, who by law, or the terms of their engagement, are to be discharged at the close of the war, shall, under the direction of the President of the United States, be transported or marched, with the least practicable delay, to such posts or places in the United States as may be least expensive and most convenient to the troops — and at such places they shall be discharged from the service of the United States; and that until they shall respectively reach such places and be discharged, the officers and men shall be considered, paid, and treated as in the service of the United States, in the same manner as if the war had not closed.

APPROVED, June 16, 1848.

On the restoration of peace with Mexico, all the troops of the United States entitled to discharge to be transported to such places in the United States as may be least expensive and most convenient to them.

Until discharged, officers and men to be paid and treated as in the service of the United States.

*[No. 9.] — *Joint Resolution providing for Payment of the Regiment of Texas Mounted Troops called into the Service of the United States, under the Requisition of Colonel Curtis, in the Year eighteen hundred and forty-seven, and for other Purposes.*

June 16, 1848.

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 required to cause to be paid, out of any unexpended appropriations for the prosecution of the war between the United States of America and the republic of Mexico, the regiment of Texas mounted troops which was mustered into the service of the United States for six months, under the requisition of Colonel Curtis, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-seven, and discharged before joining the army, the pay and allowances of mounted men, from the time the several companies thereof arrived at San Antonio, the place of rendezvous, until they were mustered out of service, and the usual pay and travelling allowances from the time they left their homes until they reached San Antonio, and from the places where they were mustered out of service until they reached their homes; and the companies of Captains Smith and Hill, until they refused to be mustered out of service, or were disbanded by their respective captains; and also that he cause to be paid to the said regiment the full value of all horses which he shall be satisfied were lost by them for want of forage, during the periods herein specified: *Provided*, That nothing in the act approved second March, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, entitled "An Act to amend an act to provide for the payment of horses and other property lost and destroyed in the military service of the United States," approved eighteenth January, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, shall be construed to revive the proviso to the second section of the act approved the fifteenth of June, eighteen hundred and forty-four, entitled "An Act making an appropriation for the payment of horses

Certain Texas mounted troops mustered into service for six months in 1847, and discharged before joining the army, to receive the pay and allowances of mounted men from the time they arrived at San Antonio till mustered out of service or disbanded.

To be paid also for horses lost by them for want of forage.

Proviso.
1847, ch. 39.

1844, ch. 73.