

March 13, 1896.

[No. 23.] Joint Resolution To print the Annual Report of the General Superintendent of the Life-Saving Service.

Life-Saving Service.  
Edition of Annual  
Report not limited.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section eighty-nine, second proviso, of the Act of January twelfth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, an Act providing for the public printing and binding, and so forth, be, and is hereby, amended by inserting after the words "tide tables' coast pilots," the words "Annual Report of the General Superintendent of the Life-Saving Service,".

Approved, March 13, 1896.

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[No. 24.] Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to distribute the medals and diplomas awarded by the World's Columbian Commission to the exhibitors entitled thereto.

World's Columbian  
Exposition.  
Distribution of medals  
and diplomas.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to distribute the medals and diplomas of the World's Columbian Exposition to the several exhibitors entitled thereto, as designated and certified by the report of the Executive Committee on Awards to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and the Bureau of the Mint, and to this end the Secretary of the Treasury may adopt any method, or create any and all agencies, which to him may seem proper and necessary for the distribution of said medals and diplomas. But in case any of the exhibitors cannot be found who may be entitled to medals and diplomas, then, in every such case, such medals and diplomas shall be retained by the Secretary of the Treasury until they are called for by the exhibitors entitled thereto, or by persons authorized to receive the same. And the said Secretary in the distribution of the medals and diplomas may transmit the same through the mails free of charge. And the sum of fifteen thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of carrying out this resolution, and for the purposes hereof the said Secretary may temporarily employ, under such regulations as he may prescribe, the force now engaged in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in connection with the preparation of said diplomas, or so much of said force as may be necessary, said appropriation to be immediately available.

To be sent free in  
the mails.Appropriation for  
expenses.

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[No. 25.] Joint Resolution Granting the county of Cole, Missouri, permission to use certain rooms in the United States building at Jefferson City, Missouri.

Jefferson City, Mo.  
Use of public building  
for county courts,  
one year.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That full permission be, and the same is hereby, granted to the county of Cole, State of Missouri, to occupy the United States court room and two jury rooms connected therewith in the United States building at Jefferson City, Cole County, Missouri, during the months of March, July, and November, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, and March, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, for the purpose of holding sessions of the circuit court of said Cole County therein, and that during said occupation concurrent jurisdiction, so far as it is necessary, over said building be, and is hereby, ceded to the State of Missouri and to said county of Cole, so that the sessions of said court in said building and rooms may be, during said period, fully legalized: *Provided,* That said rooms shall be kept in good repair at the expense of said county of Cole, and at the end of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, the use of said rooms shall be relinquished to the United States by said county, the premises to be in as good condition as before their occupancy by said circuit court of Cole

Provisos.  
Repairs, etc.

County: *Provided further*, That the sessions of said circuit court of Cole County shall in no way interfere with the sessions of the circuit and district courts of the United States: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized in his discretion at any time to terminate this permit and the possession hereby granted of said premises upon thirty days' notice to the judges of the county court of said county.

Not to interfere with Federal sessions.

Prior termination of use.

Approved, March 13, 1896.

[No. 26.] Joint Resolution Directing the Secretary of War to submit a plan and estimate for the further improvement of Conneaut Harbor, in the State of Ohio.

March 13, 1896.

*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, directed to submit a plan and estimate for the further improvement of Conneaut Harbor, in the State of Ohio, and to transmit the same to Congress at as early a date as practicable.

Conneaut, Ohio.  
Plan for improving harbor to be submitted.

Approved, March 13, 1896.

[No. 27.] Joint Resolution Authorizing and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to purchase and distribute seeds, bulbs, and so forth, as has been done in preceding years.

March 14, 1896.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of Agriculture be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to purchase and distribute valuable seeds for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six, as has been done in preceding years; and as the public exigency requires that the valuable seeds, bulbs, trees, shrubs, vines, cuttings, and plants, to be purchased may be ready for distribution at the earliest possible date, the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby directed to procure them by open purchase or contract at the places and in the manner in which such articles are usually bought and sold: *Provided*, That the said Secretary shall not, in said purchase, pay more than a reasonable and fair price for such commodities or for any of them.

Seeds, etc.  
Secretary of Agriculture directed to purchase and distribute.

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*Proviso.*  
Price.

Received by the President, March 3, 1896.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

[No. 28.] Joint Resolution For the return to the State of New Hampshire of the flag of the Eleventh Regiment of New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry.

March 16, 1896.

*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 return to the State of New Hampshire the regimental flag of the Eleventh Regiment of New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry.

Regimental flag.  
To be returned to New Hampshire.

Approved, March 16, 1896.

[No. 29.] Joint Resolution Authorizing the National Dredging Company to proceed with the work of dredging the channel of Mobile Harbor, under the direction of the Secretary of War.

March 16, 1896.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the National Dredging Company, the contractor under the continuing contract for the improvement

Mobile, Ala.  
Dredging of harbor to continue under present contract.