RESOLUTIONS.

[No. 1.] A Resolution for increasing the Bond of the Superintendent of Public Printing

Whereas the amount of money which can be advanced to the superintendent of the public printing, under existing laws, is not sufficient to enable him to meet the current expenditures of his office: therefore —

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the said superintendent be required to furnish a new bond in the penal sum of forty thousand dollars.

Approved, December 18, 1862.

[No. 2.] A Resolution in Relation to certain Maps.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, with a view of expediting the issue of the annual report of the general land-office, the public printer is hereby authorized to contract for the lithographing of the maps of the several states and territories which may accompany the same, except in regard to the connected map accompanying the last annual report of the public lands east and west of the Mississippi, in regard to which the commissioner of the general land-office is hereby authorized to procure an engraved plate thereof, to be perfected by adding from time to time the further surveys that may be made.

Approved, January 6, 1863.

[No. 8.] Joint Resolution to grant the Use of a Portion of Judiciary Square for a Free Library and Reading-Room for Soldiers.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to grant to John A. Fowle and Elida B. Rumsey the use of a portion of the land owned by the United States, and known as “Judiciary Square,” to erect thereon, free from charge to the United States, a suitable building for a soldiers' free library and reading-room for soldiers: Provided, That the same can be done without prejudice to the public interests, and provided that all expenses shall be borne by said Fowle and Ramsev, and that all benefits and privileges of such library and reading-room be granted to our soldiers free of charge, and that said building be removed whenever the Secretary of the Interior shall require the same to be done.

Approved, January 13, 1863.

[No. 9.] Joint Resolution to provide for the immediate Payment of the Army and Navy of the United States.

Whereas it is deemed expedient to make immediate provision for the payment of the army and navy: therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treas-
ury be, and he is hereby, authorized, if required by the exigencies of the public service, to issue on the credit of the United States the sum of one hundred millions of dollars of United States notes, in such form as he may deem expedient, not bearing interest, payable to bearer on demand, and of such denominations not less than one dollar, as he may prescribe, which notes so issued shall be lawful money and a legal tender, like the similar notes heretofore authorized in payment of all debts, public and private, within the United States, except for duties on imports and interest on the public debt; and the notes so issued shall be part of the amount provided for in any bill now pending for the issue of treasury notes, or that may be passed hereafter by this Congress.

APPROVED, January 17, 1863.


Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide for the imprisonment of persons convicted of crime by the criminal court of the District of Columbia," approved the sixteenth day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, be, and are hereby, made applicable to all persons who had been convicted of crime by the criminal court of the District of Columbia and sentenced to confinement in the penitentiary prior to the date of the act herein named, and subsequent to the transfer legalized by the fourth section thereof, and their transfer to the penitentiary at Albany, in the State of New York, in the present month, by order of the President of the United States, is likewise hereby legalized and declared valid; and the said persons so transferred shall continue in confinement in said prison until the expiration of their several terms of imprisonment, or until they shall be legally discharged or removed.

APPROVED, January 28, 1863.

[No. 11.] Joint Resolution tendering the Thanks of Congress to Commander John L. Worden, of the United States Navy.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in pursuance of the recommendation of the President of the United States, and to enable him to advance Commander John L. Worden one grade, in pursuance of the ninth section of the act of Congress of sixteenth July, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, that the thanks of Congress be, and they are hereby, tendered to Commander John L. Worden for highly distinguished conduct in conflict with the enemy in the remarkable battle between the United States iron-clad steamer "Monitor," under his command, and the rebel iron-clad frigate "Merrimac," in March, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

APPROVED, February 3, 1863.

[No. 13.] Joint Resolution tendering the Thanks of Congress to Commodore Charles Henry Davis and other Officers of the Navy, in Pursuance of the Recommendation of the President of the United States.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the thanks of Congress be, and they are hereby, given to the following officers of the United States navy, upon the recommendation of the President of the United States, viz:—

Commodore Charles Henry Davis, for distinguished services in conflict.