

designate the distributees of their quota of said official Records or any part thereof, as authorized by the Act of Congress approved July thirty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, and the Joint Resolution approved March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, to the extent and in the manner and form provided in said Act.

Approved, January 30, 1896.

Vol. 28, pp. 190, 975.

[No. 12.] Joint Resolution Concerning the erection and completion (except heating apparatus) of the United States Post Office Building at Bloomington, Illinois.

February 5, 1896.

Whereas, A clause in the sundry civil appropriation Act of March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-five (18 Stat., 395) relating to public buildings, provides: "No change in said plan involving an increase of expense exceeding ten per centum of the amount to which said building was limited, shall be allowed or paid by any officer of the Government without the special authority of Congress;" and

Preamble.
Vol. 18, p. 395.

Whereas, During the last recess of Congress the contract for the erection and completion (except heating apparatus) of the United States Post Office building at Bloomington, Illinois, was let for an amount less than the estimated cost and it became advisable for the Secretary of the Treasury to so modify the drawings and specifications for said building as to provide fire-proof construction and improved design; now, 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 Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to construct and complete the above named building as may be shown and called for by modified drawings and specifications: *Provided,* That the present appropriation for said building and its site shall not be exceeded.

Bloomington, Ill.
Change in construction of public building authorized.

Proviso.
Limit not extended.

Approved, February 5, 1896.

[No. 13.] Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to use a portion of the appropriation for new iron roof for foundry at navy-yard, Washington, District of Columbia, in the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, and for other purposes," for repairs to the walls of said foundry.

February 7, 1896.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to use such part of the thirty-three thousand dollars appropriated for new iron roof for foundry in the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, and for other purposes," under the caption "Public works—Bureau of Yards and Docks, navy-yards and stations, Naval Academy, and New Naval Observatory," and under the subhead "Navy-Yard, Washington, District of Columbia," as may be necessary for repairs to the walls of said foundry.

Navy.
Repairs to foundry, Washington, D.C., authorized.
Vol. 28, p. 832.

Approved, February 7, 1896.

[No. 14.] Joint Resolution To supply the Department of State with documents.

February 7, 1896.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Public Printer be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to print, in addition to the usual number, and furnish the Department of State with twenty copies of each Senate and House of Representatives document and report.

Department of State.
Documents to be furnished.

Approved, February 7, 1896.

February 13, 1896.

[No. 16.] Joint Resolution Granting use of White Lot and Monument Grounds to "The Committee of Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-six."

District of Columbia.
Use of White Lot for
Christian Endeavor
Convention author-
ized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to grant to the committee known as "The Committee of Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-six," of which W. H. H. Smith is chairman, having charge in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, of the arrangements for the Fifteenth International Christian Endeavor Convention, permits for the temporary occupation and use, during July, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, of the reservation or public space known as the White Lot for the purpose of erecting three great tents and the necessary platforms, seatings, capable of seating about ten thousand persons each, for the meeting places of the Fifteenth International Christian Endeavor Convention, to be held July eighth to thirteenth, inclusive, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, and such smaller tents as may be required for the distribution of literature, together with such portions of the Monument Grounds as said committee may require, if in his opinion such use will inflict no serious or permanent injury upon such grounds, reservation, or public space: *Provided,* That said "Committee of Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-six" guarantee, at their own cost and expense, to restore and make good any temporary injury that may be inflicted to said grounds by reason of their use thereof.

Proviso.
Guarantee against
injury.

Approved, February 13, 1896.

February 20, 1896.

[No. 17.] Joint Resolution Making an appropriation to defray the joint expense of locating the boundary line between the Territory of Alaska and the British North American territory.

Alaskan boundary.
Appropriation for
share in expense of
making, etc.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in view of the expediency of forthwith negotiating a convention with Great Britain for marking convenient points upon the one hundred and forty-first meridian of west longitude, where it forms, under existing treaty provisions, the boundary line between the Territory of Alaska and the British North American territory, and to enable the President to execute the provisions of such convention without delay when concluded, the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available, under the direction of the President, to defray the share of the United States in the joint expense of locating said meridian and marking said boundary by an international commission.

Approved, February 20, 1896.

February 26, 1896.

[No. 18.] Joint Resolution Providing for certain surveys in the State of Florida.

Biscayne Bay, Fla.
Appropriation for
survey, etc.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, for a survey and plans for the improvement of the entrance to Biscayne Bay, Florida, as recommended by the Chief of Engineers in his letter of February 26th, 1895; and for a survey and plans for the construction of a breakwater at Palm Beach, Florida; and the Secretary of War is directed to report the result of such surveys, together with plans and estimates for contemplated improvements, to Congress at the earliest practicable moment.

Approved, February 26, 1896.