

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.

[No. 19.] Joint Resolution Extending the provisions of section seventy-nine of "An Act providing for the public printing and binding and the distribution of public documents," approved January twelfth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, so as to include monographs, bulletins, and reports of the Geological Survey published in eighteen hundred and ninety-four and succeeding years.

February 26, 1896.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of section seventy-nine of "An Act providing for the public printing and binding and the distribution of public documents," approved January twelfth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, which section reads as follows: "There shall be distributed of monographs, bulletins, and reports of the United States Geological Survey, now in possession of said Survey, being publications prior to the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four, one copy of every such publication to every public library which shall be designated to the superintendent of documents, as follows: Two public libraries to be designated by each of the Senators from the States, respectively, two public libraries by the Representative in Congress from each Congressional district, and two public libraries by the Delegate from each Territory; such public libraries to be additional to those to which said publications are distributed under existing law," shall be extended to the monographs, bulletins, and reports of the Geological Survey which were published during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four, and to those which have been published since that year, and to those which may be published in the future: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to interfere with the distribution of memoirs and reports, so far as the same is provided for by the joint resolution "To distribute copies of special memoirs and reports of the United States Geological Survey," approved March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven.

Geological Survey.
Distribution of publications.
Vol. 28, p. 621.

Provido.
Distribution of memoirs not affected.

Vol. 24, p. 647.

Approved, February 26, 1896.

[No. 20.] Joint Resolution Calling upon the Secretary of War for certain information in relation to the harbor at Manitowoc, in the State of Wisconsin.

March 2, 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, requested to furnish the House with such information as he may have in his possession as to (first) the plans of the proposed project for the establishment of a channel of the depth of from twenty to twenty-one feet in the harbor of the city of Manitowoc, in the State of Wisconsin; (second) the approximate cost of such project; and (third) whether the same could not be advantageously adopted as a needed addition to or extension of the existing Government improvements at that harbor.

Manitowoc, Wis.
Plans for improving harbor to be furnished the House.

Approved, March 2, 1896.

[No. 22.] Joint Resolution Directing the Secretary of War to submit estimates for work upon Newtown Creek, New York.

March 11, 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 submit estimates for work upon Newtown Creek, New York, with a view to secure a depth of eighteen feet and a width of one hundred and twenty-five feet at low water from its mouth to the head of navigation, in accordance with the plans heretofore submitted.

Newtown Creek, N. Y.
Estimates for improving to be submitted.

Approved, March 11, 1896.