

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That no more than one Purser doing duty at any navy-yard shall at the same time be entitled to the pay fixed by law for that service.

Pay of pursers at navy-yards.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the term "persons," mentioned in the second and third sections of an act passed March second, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, entitled "An act to provide for the enlistment of boys for the naval service, and to extend the term of enlistment of seamen," shall be construed to include marines.

2d and 3d secs. act of 2d March 1837, ch. 21, extended to marines.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the accounting officers of the Treasury Department be authorized and directed, in the settlement of the account of Rodman M. Price, as purser of the United States steam-ship Missouri, to credit him with such portion of the amount of the slops, small stores, and money, with which he stands charged on the books of the Fourth Auditor of the Treasury, as they shall be satisfied was consumed or lost by the burning of said vessel; not, however, to exceed the sum of twelve thousand and sixty dollars; and that the said Rodman M. Price be, and he is hereby, exonerated from all liability on account of the provisions which were lost with said vessel.

Settlement of R. M. Price's account as purser of the Missouri.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of erecting marine hospitals upon the sites owned by the United States at Pittsburg in Pennsylvania, Louisville in Kentucky, and at Cleveland in Ohio, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Erection of marine hospitals at Pittsburg, Louisville, and Cleveland.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That in all cases where proposals for any contract or contracts, to be made by any of the Executive Departments or Bureaus, and in all cases where notices of any description, issuing from the same, are now required by law to be advertised, the same shall be advertised by publication in the two newspapers, in the city of Washington, having the largest permanent subscription, and at the discretion of the Executive in any third paper that may be published in said city: *Provided*, That the charges for such publications shall not be higher than such as are paid by individuals for advertising in said papers: *And provided also*, That the same publications shall be made in each of said papers equally, as to frequency.

Publication for proposals, &c. by Executive Departments.

APPROVED, March 3, 1845.

STATUTE II.
March 3, 1845.

CHAP. LXXVIII.—*An Act relating to revenue cutters and steamers.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no revenue cutter or revenue steamer shall hereafter be built (excepting such as are now in the course of building and equipment) nor purchased, unless an appropriation be first made, by law, therefor.

No revenue cutter or steamer to be built, &c. without an appropriation therefor.

J. W. JONES,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIE P. MANGUM,

President pro tempore of the Senate.

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,
March 3, 1845.

The President of the United States having returned to the Senate, in which it originated, the bill entitled "An act relating to revenue cutters and steamers," with his objections thereto, the Senate proceeded, in pursuance of the Constitution, to reconsider the same; and,

Resolved, That the said bill do pass, two thirds of the Senate agreeing to pass the same.

Attest:

ASBURY DICKINS,
Secretary of the Senate.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES,
 March 3, 1845.

The House of Representatives having been notified by the Senate that the bill entitled "An act relating to revenue cutters and steamers," had been returned by the President, with his objections, to the Senate, in which it originated, and that the Senate having proceeded, in pursuance of the Constitution, to reconsider the same, had "*Resolved*, That the said bill do pass, two thirds of the Senate agreeing to pass the same," the House of Representatives proceeded, in pursuance of the Constitution, to reconsider the said bill, and

Resolved, That the said bill do pass, two thirds of the House of Representatives agreeing to pass the same.

Attest :

B. B. FRENCH,
 Clerk of the Ho. Reps. U. S.

RESOLUTIONS.

Jan. 23, 1845.

No. 1. *A Resolution explanatory of "An act making appropriations for the payment of revolutionary and other pensions of the United States for the fiscal year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five."*

Claims pending at the passage of this resolution, not affected by the pension appropriation act.

Act of April 30, 1844, ch. 15.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the payment of revolutionary and other pensions of the United States for the fiscal year ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five," shall not be so construed as in any way to affect the claims of those widows whose application for a pension, or an arrear of pension, at the passage of this resolution, shall have been made and filed in the Pension Office, awaiting the decision of the Commissioner of Pensions thereon.

APPROVED, January 23, 1845.

Feb. 13, 1845.

No. 3. *A Resolution to suspend a part of the third section of the joint resolution of the eleventh of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, relating to armories.*

Suspended in case of the naval depot at Memphis.

Act of March 3, 1843, ch. 93.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of the third section of the joint resolution of the eleventh of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty one, as requires the consent of the State before the expenditure of any public money, upon any site or land purchased by the United States, for the purpose of armories, arsenals, posts, fortifications, navy-yards, custom-houses, light-houses, or other public buildings of any kind, be, and the same is hereby, suspended, so far as the same is applicable to the naval depot at Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, until after the adjournment of the first session of the legislature of said State which may be held after the passage of this resolution.

APPROVED, February 13, 1845.

Feb. 20, 1845.

No. 4. *Joint Resolution authorizing the Postmaster General of the United States to contract with railroad companies, in certain cases, without advertising for proposals therefor.*

Authority to contract with any railroad.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster General be, and he hereby is, authorized to make and enter into contracts with any railroad company for the transmission of the mail, without advertising for bids on such railroads, as now required by law.

APPROVED, February 20, 1845.