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BY DELPHINE.

All hail to our nation, we'll honor the day
When Freedom in glory arose on the way;
When Liberty's banner waved high o'er the land,
And the voice of her sire was heard to command.
Arise from thy slumber,
O, nation, arise!
A voice as of thunder,
Descending the skies,
Calls, loudly appealing, to souls fraught with feeling,
Great Freedom adore, and be free evermore.

Let men hug the phantom that binds them in chains,
While the great heart of Freedom must weep o'er their pains;
Yet the day of redemption we soon shall behold,
'Tis dawning upon us as truth doth unfold.
Arouse from thy weeping,
And cast off thy fears,
For angels are keeping
And treasure thy tears;
And anon, like the ocean, in wildest commotion,
Life's billows shall break and the soul shall awake.

With forces united, who stand for the right,
For truth and for justice forever we'll fight;
Nor yield we the standard our fathers have reared,
'Til the world shall be free, and Freedom revered.
Awaken, O nation,
Time bids you rejoice;
From every mutation
Ascendeth the voice:
The day-star is dawning, secession take warning,
For God, who is free, gave to man liberty.

OFFICIAL.

LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES

Passed at the Second Session of the Thirty-seventh Congress.

[PUBLIC—No. 170.]

AN ACT requiring the commanders of American vessels sailing to foreign ports and persons prosecuting claims to take the oath of allegiance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the commanders of all American vessels sailing from ports in the United States to foreign ports, during the continuance of the present rebellion, and all persons prosecuting claims, either as attorney or on his own account, before any of the departments or bureaus of the United States, shall be required to take the oath of allegiance and to support the Constitution of the United States, (or affirm, as the case may be,) as required of persons in the civil service of the United States by the provisions of the act of Congress approved August sixth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the oath or affirmation herein provided for in the first section of this act may be taken before any justice of the peace, notary public, or other person who is legally authorized to administer an oath in the State or district where the same may be administered; and that any violation of such oath by any person or persons taking the same shall subject the offender to all the pains and penalties of wilful corrupt perjury; the shall be liable to be indicted and prosecuted to conviction for any such offence before any court having competent jurisdiction thereof.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 42.]

A RESOLUTION to suspend all payments under the act approved twenty-fifth of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, entitled "An act to secure to the officers and men actually employed in the Western Department, or Department of Missouri, their pay, bounty, and pension," and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretry of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to suspend all payments under the act approved twenty-fifth March, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, entitled "An act to secure to the officers and men actually employed in the Western Department, or Department of Missouri, their pay, bounty, and pension;" and that there shall be appointed by the President, immediately after the passage of this resolution, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, three commissioners, to examine all claims arising under the provisions of that act, and report the same, with the facts connected therewith, to the Secretary of War; said commissioners to have such compensation for their services as the Secretary of War may consider just and reasonable: *Provided*, That said commissioners shall be required to examine and report within sixty days after the passage of this resolution upon all such claims as may be presented by persons claiming to have been organized or employed in the State of Missouri, and to have performed service according to the provisions of the said recited act, whereupon payments shall be made, as recommended by said commissioners and as required by said act: *And provided further*, That within ninety days from the passage of this resolution, the said commissioners shall examine and report upon all other claims arising under the act aforesaid, when payments shall be made as herein prescribed.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 43.]

A RESOLUTION to provide for the presentation of "medals of honor" to the enlisted men of the army and volunteer forces who have distinguished or may distinguish themselves in battle during the present rebellion.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be and he is hereby authorized to cause two thousand "medals of honor" to be prepared with suitable emblematic devices, and to direct that the same be presented, in the name of Congress, to such non-commissioned officers and privates as shall most distinguish themselves by their gallantry in action, and other soldier-like qualities, during the present insurrection. And that the sum of ten thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of carrying this resolution into effect.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 44.]

A RESOLUTION in relation to contracts with the United States.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the several executive departments of the Government to publish in one of the daily newspapers of the city of Washington, on Tuesday of each week, a list of all contracts which shall have been solicited or proposed to each, respectively, during the week next preceding, which list shall state briefly the subject-matter of each contract so solicited or proposed to be made, its terms, the name of the proposed contractor and of all persons known to be interested therein, directly or indirectly, and of all person who solicit, request or recommend the making of any such contract: *Provided*, That the foregoing provision shall not be applicable to bids made in pursuance of advertisements for contracts or purchases made under existing laws, but shall apply to all proposed modifications of existing contracts.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 45.]

A RESOLUTION relating to the compensation of Senators elected or appointed to fill vacancies.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases of a vacancy in either House of Congress, by death or otherwise, of any member elected or appointed thereto, after the commencement of the Congress to which he shall have been elected, each person afterwards elected or appointed to fill such vacancy shall be compensated and paid from the time that the compensation of his predecessor ceased: *Provided*, that no member shall receive for his compensation more than three thousand dollars for any one year.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 46.]

JOINT RESOLUTION authorizing the Secretary of War to furnish extra clothing to sick, wounded, and other soldiers.

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 to furnish extra clothing to all sick, wounded, and other soldiers who may have lost the same by the casualties of war, under such rules and regulations as the department may prescribe, during the existence of the present insurrection.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 47.]

A RESOLUTION authorizing the State of Minnesota to change the line of certain branch railroads in said State, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS by an act of Congress approved March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, there was granted to the Territory of Minnesota lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from Stillwater, via St. Paul and St. Anthony, to a point between the foot of Big Stone lake and the mouth of Sioux Wood river, with a branch, via St. Cloud and Crow Wing, to the navigable waters of the Red River of the North, the northern terminus of which was fixed by the Legislature of said Territory at St. Vincent; and whereas it is now believed that the public interests require a change of location of a part of said branch road: Therefore—

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That, in lieu of that part of the railroad grant to Minnesota Territory, by act of Congress approved third March, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, which extends northwesterly from the intersection of the tenth standard parallel with the fourth guide meridian, there shall be granted to the State of Minnesota the alternate sections within six mile limits of such new branch line of route as the authorities of the State may designate, having its southwestern terminus at any point on the existing line between the Falls of Saint Anthony and Crow Wing, and extending in a northeasterly direction to the waters of Lake Superior, with a right of indemnity between the fifteen miles limits thereof, provided this resolution shall take effect from the filing in the General Land Office of the acceptance by the authorities aforesaid of such substitution; whereupon the land north of the intersection aforesaid in the grant as authorized by the said act of third March, eighteen hundred and fifty seven, being by said acceptance disencumbered of the railroad grant, shall be dealt with as other public lands of the United States.

Approved, July 12, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 48.]

A RESOLUTION to change the name of the schooner Sally McGee to that of Ocean Eagle.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the name of the schooner Sally McGee, late of Baltimore, Maryland, be and the same is hereby changed to that of the Ocean Eagle, of Perth Amboy, New Jersey, and that the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby directed to issue a register therefor.

Approved, July 14, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 49.]

JOINT RESOLUTION to declare the meaning of "An act to authorize the President of the United States, in certain cases, to take possession of railroads and telegraph lines, and for other purposes," approved January thirty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and to repeal a part of said act.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That an act entitled "An act to authorize the President of the United States in certain cases to take possession of railroads and telegraph lines, and for other purposes," approved January thirty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall not be so construed as to authorise the construction of any railroads, or the completion of any line of road, the greater part of which remained uncompleted at the time of the approval of said act, or to engage in any work of railroad construction; and so much of said act as authorized the President of the United States to extend and complete any railroad, is hereby repealed.

Approved, July 14, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 50.]

JOINT RESOLUTION to grant pensions to masters and other officers upon the gunboats in the service of the United States.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the masters serving on board of gunboats employed in the service of the United States shall be entitled to all the benefits, including bounty and pension, provided for in an act entitled "An act to grant pensions," passed during the present session of Congress, and the widows, mothers, and heirs of such officers shall be entitled to all the benefit of said act.

Approved, July 16, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 51.]

JOINT RESOLUTION tendering the thanks of Congress to Captain Andrew H. Foote, of the United States navy.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the thanks of Congress be, and the same are hereby, tendered to Captain Andrew H. Foote, of the United States navy, for his eminent services and gallantry at Fort Henry, Fort Donelson, and Island No. Ten, while in command of the naval forces of the United States.

And be it further resolved, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, requested to transmit a certified copy of the foregoing resolution to Captain Foote.

Approved, July 16, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 52.]

JOINT RESOLUTION requiring the Superintendent of the Metripolitan Police to pay over certain moneys collected for fines and penalties, to constitute a contingent fund for certain purposes.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Superintendent of Metripolitan Police of the District of Columbia shall pay over all such moneys as may be paid to him under the act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of fines and penalties collected by or paid the justices of the peace in the District of Columbia under the acts of Congress approved the third and fifth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and for other purposes(s), to the treasurer of the board of said Metripolitan Police, in whose hands the same shall constitute a "contingent fund" to be disbursed under the order, and for such purposes as the said board of police may direct.

Approved, July 16, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 53.]

A RESOLUTION regulating the employment of the convicts in the penitentiary of the District of Columbia for their improvement and benefit.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the warden of the penitentiary of the District of Columbia shall, so far as may be practicable, employ the convicts therein in the manufacture of shoes for the use of the army and navy, to be made as the War and Navy Departments shall direct; orders for which shall be, by said Departments, given to the warden from time to time upon his request; the shoes to be paid for by said departments ordering the same at the customary rates for shoes of like quality.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all prisoners that may hereafter be confined in said penitentiary for a term of years, who conduct themselves so that no charge for misconduct shall be sustained against them, shall have a deduction of one month in each year made from the term of their sentence, and shall be entitled to their discharge so much the sooner, upon the certificate of the warden of their good conduct, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 55.]

JOINT RESOLUTION to amend section seventy-seven of "An act to provide internal revenue to support the Government and pay interest on the public debt," and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section seventy-seven of an act entitled "An act to provide internal revenue to support the Government and pay interest on the public debt" be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the word "May" and inserting "August."

SEC. 5. *And be it further resolved*, That all the sections of an act entitled "An act to provide internal revenue to support the Government and to pay interest on the public debt," which require any matter or thing to be done on or before the first day of July or August, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall be so amended and changed that said matters or things may be so done on or before any other day in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two, not later than the first day of October, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, which may be fixed and determined upon by the Secretary of the Treasury, if in his judgment a later day should be so fixed in order to put said act into practical operation, and all parts of said act having reference to the said dates of the first days of July and August, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall be taken and construed as having reference to the said day which may be so fixed and determined upon: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall give public notice of the day so fixed and determined upon, in such manner as he may deem expedient.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No 56.]

A RESOLUTION in relation to the law of prize.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter all monies arising from the sale of property under the prize laws of the United States, whether under interlocutory or final decree, shall be paid by the marshal into the Treasury of the United States for safe keeping immediately after the day of sale, instead of the registry of the court, less the costs and disbursements sworn to by the marshal and taxed by the court; and every clerk of a United States court now having any such monies in hand shall immediately pay the same into the Treasury of the United States, less the costs and disbursements to be sworn to and taxed as aforesaid, and upon a final decree of condemnation or restitution it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury, and he is hereby authorized to pay over the same upon the order of the proper court, and no more shall be retained by any clerk from money received and paid over by him under this resolution, as commissions or otherwise, than one per centum upon the first one thousand dollars in each case, and one-fourth of one per centum on the excess above that sum, not, however, to exceed two hundred and fifty dollors in any case.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 57.]

A RESOLUTION releasing to the heirs-at-law of Robert L. Stevens, deceased, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to Stevens's Battery.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to Stevens's Battery be and the same are hereby released and conveyed to the heirs-at-law of the said Robert L. Stevens or their legal representatives.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 58.]

A RESOLUTION to repeal and modify sections two and three of an act entitled "An act to settle the titles to certain lands set apart for the use of certain half-breed Kansas Indians in Kansas Territory," approved May twenty-six, eighteen hundred and sixty, and to repeal part of section one of said act.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections two and three of an act entitled "An act to settle the titles to certain lands set apart for the use of certain half-breed Kansas Indians in Kansas Territory," approved May twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and so much of the first section as authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to decide what persons are heirs to deceased reserves, as mentioned therein, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 59.]

JOINT RESOLUTION further to provide for the compensation of members of Congress.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, until the further order of Congress, the Secretary of the Senate and the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House are directed to receive, as a valid excuse for absence from duty in Congress, active employment in military service for the suppression of the rebellion without pay.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved*, That when any Senator or Representative shall hereafter withdraw from his seat in anticipation of the adjournment of Congress and before the adjournment, and does not return, he shall, in addition to the sum now deducted for each day, forfeit a further sum equal to the mileage now allowed by law for his return home, and it shall be deducted from his compensation, unless where said withdrawal is with the leave of the Senate or House of Representatives respectively.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 60.]

JOINT RESOLUTION authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to expend, from a fund in the United States Treasury belonging to the Winnebago Indians, the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the benefit of said Indians.

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 expend, from a fund in the Treasury of the United States belonging to the Winnebago Indians, the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to make such improvements upon their land and purchase such stock and agricultural implements as their necessities may require, and that the amount so expended shall be replaced from the proceeds of the sales of the lands belonging to said Indians, which the Government is now authorized to sell by virtue of an existing treaty with said Indians.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 61.]

A RESOLUTION to regulate the compensation for paying pensions.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That agents for paying pensions shall receive two per centum on all disbursements made by them to pensioners of the United States: *Provided*, That the aggregate compensation to any one agent, paying both army and navy pensions, shall not exceed two thousand dollars per annum.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 62.]

A RESOLUTION making further appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes, for the year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

WHEREAS certain appropriations agreed to by the Senate of the United States as amendments to the "Act (H. R. 260) making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-three," approved July fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, were accidenally omited to be sent to the House of Representatives for concurrence therein; and whereas said appropriations are necessary to be be made: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and they are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department and fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes:

For Indian service in Nevada Territory:
For pay of interpreter, five hundred dollars
For presents of goods and clothing to Indians, to be expended by the Superintendent of Indian Affairs, five thousand dollars.
For incidental expenses in Nevada Territory, including office and travelling expenses, two thousand dollars.
For Indian service in Colorado Territory:
For pay of interpreter, five hundred dollars.
For presents of goods and clothing to Indians, to be expended by the Superintendent of Indian Affairs, five thousand dollars.
For incidental expenses in Colorado Territory, including office and travelling expenses, two thousand dollars.
For the Indian service in Utah Territory for fiscal year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-three:
For interpreter for Shoshones, one thousand dollars.
For interpreter for Utahs, one thousand dollars.
For interpreter for Ruby Valley Agency, five hundred dollars.
For interpreter for Fort Bridger Agency, five hundred dollars.
For interpreter for Spanish Fork Agency, five hundred dollars.
For presents of goods and clothing to Indians, to be expended by the Superintendent of Indian Affairs, five thousand dollars.
For incidental expenses in Utah Territory, including office and travelling expenses, two thousand dollars.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 63.]

A RESOLUTION suspending the sale by sealed bids of the lands of the Kansas and Sac and Fox Indians.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sales of the lands of the Kansas and the Sac and Fox tribes of Indians of the State of Kansas, by sealed bids, be and the same are postponed until the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, any treaty or law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, July 17, 1862.

THE CONFISCATION ACT—CORRECTION.

We republish below, in a corrected form, the seventh section of the Confiscation Act, which, as published on Thursday last, was rendered imperfect by a typographical error, (the omission of the word "it" in the enacting clause,) and also by clerical errors committed in preparing the copy for the press. As corrected the section will read as follows:

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That to secure the condemnation and sale of any of such property, after the same shall have been seized, so that it may be made available for the purpose aforesaid, proceedings in rem shall be instituted in the name of the United States in any district court thereof, or in any Territorial court, or in the United States district court for the District of Columbia, within which the property above described, or any part thereof, may be found, or into which the same, if moveable, may first be brought, which proceedings shall conform as nearly as may be to proceedings in admiralty or revenue cases; and if said property, whether real or personal, shall be found to have belonged to a person engaged in rebellion, or who has given aid or comfort thereto, the same shall be condemned as enemies' property and become the property of the United States, and may be disposed of as the court shall decree, and the proceeds thereof paid into the Treasury of the United States for the purposes aforesaid.

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[No. 685.]

SYNOPSIS OF THE PRESIDENT'S Proclamation, No. 685, for the offering of upwards of 4,400,000 acres of land in Oregon.

It orders public sales in the STATE OF OREGON, as follows:

At the land office at OREGON CITY, on the 6th of October, 1862, of one hundred and fifty-eight townships and parts of townships heretofore unoffered, west of the Cascade Mountains, and within the district of lands subject to sale at Oregon City.

At the land office at ROSEBURG, on the 13th of October, 1862, of one hundred and fifty-four townships and parts of townships heretofore unoffered, west of the Cascade Mountains, and within the district of lands subject to sale at Roseburg.

The lands will be offered with the usual exceptions of school sections, &c.

No mineral lands are to be offered, such lands being expressly excepted and excluded from sale by act of Congress.

The sales will be kept open until the lands are all offered, which is to be accomplished within two weeks, and no longer; and no private entry of any of the lands will be admitted until after the expiration of the two weeks.

Pre-emption claimants are required to establish their claims to the satisfaction of the proper Register and Receiver, and make payment for the same on or before the day appointed for the commencement of the public sales, otherwise their claims will be forfeited.

J. M. EDMUNDS,
Commissioner of the General Land Office.
GENERAL LAND OFFICE, June 10, 1862.

NOTE.—Under the regulations of the Department, as heretofore as I now existing, no payment can be made for advertising proclamations, except to such publishers as are specially authorized to publish by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

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ORDNANCE OFFICE,
WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, Aug. 12, 1862.

PROPOSALS will be received by this Department until 3 p. m., on the 20th August, 1862, for the delivery at the *New York Arsenal, Governor's Island, New York*, of the following infantry accoutrements, viz:

49,000 Shoulder and Waist Belts, with plates, for non-commissioned officers.

18,000 Shoulder and Waist Belts, with plates, for musicians.

These accoutrements are to be made in strict conformity with the regulation patterns, samples of which can be examined at the above arsenal, and are to be subject to inspection at that Arsenal before being received by the Government. None to be accepted or paid for but such as are approved on inspection. These belts are to be of *buff leather*, blacked, as heretofore made.

Deliveries must be made in lots of not less than 1,000 sets per week, for all contracts of 10,000 or under; not less than 2,000 per week, on all contracts from 10,000 to 20,000, 3,000 per week, for contracts from 21,000 to 30,000; and 4,000 per week for all above that number—counting from the date of the contract.

Failure to deliver at a specified time will subject the contractor to a forfeiture of the amount due at that time.

The accoutrements must be boxed in the customary manner, the boxes to be charged at cost, to be determined by the Inspector.

No bid will be considered which does not state explicitly the place, time, and quantity of each delivery.

Each party obtaining a contract will be required to enter into bonds, with proper sureties, for the faithful fulfilment of the same.

Bids of persons who are not manufacturers or regular dealers in leather-work will not be considered; and the Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids which may be made.

Upon the award being made, successful bidders will be notified; and they will be furnished with forms of the contract and of the bond required of them.

Proposals will be addressed to "General JAMES W. RIPLEY, Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D. C."

And will be endorsed "Proposals for Horse Equipments."

JAMES W. RIPLEY,
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GOVERNMENT ADVTS.

PROPOSALS FOR MULES.

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE,
Corner of Eighteenth and G streets,
Washington, D. C., August 11, 1862.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until Saturday, August 30, at twelve o'cock m., for furnishing the Government with (3,000) three thousand mules to conform to the following

SPECIFICATIONS.

ALL to be (14) fourteen hands and over in height. ALL to be sound serviceable Mules for draught purposes.

Proposals will be received for mules over TWO AND UNDER NINE YEARS OLD, and for Mules over THREE AND UNDER FIVE YEARS OLD.

PROPOSALS.

The proposals for each class of mules must be separate and sealed.

Proposals to be for (500) five hundred and upwards.

The full name and post-office address of the bidder must appear in the proposal.

If a bid is made in the name of a firm the names of all the partners must appear or the bid will be considered as the individual proposal of the partner signing it.

Proposals from *disloyal parties will not be considered*, and an oath of allegiance must accompany each proposition.

Proposals must be addressed to Col. D. H. Rucker, Quartermaster U. S. Army, Washington, D. C., and should be plainly marked "Proposals for Mules."

GUARANTEE.

The ability of the bidder to fill the contract, should it be awarded to him, must be guaranted by two responsible persons, whose signatures must be appended to the guarantee.

The responsibility of the guarantors must be shown by the official certificate of the clerk of the nearest district court or of the United States district attorney.

Bidders must be present in person when the bids are opened or their proposals will not be considered.

Bonds in the sum of twenty thousand dollars, signed by the contractor and both of his guarantors, will be required of the successful bidder upon signing the contract.

As the bond must accompany the contract, it will be necessary for bidders to have their bondsmen with them, or to have bonds signed in anticipation and ready to be produced when the contract is signed. Blanks for bonds can be procured upon application being made at this office, either personally, by letter or by telegraph.

Form of Guarantee.

We ——, of the county of ——, and State of ——, and ——, of the county of ——, and State of ——, do hereby guaranty that —— is able to fulfil a contract in accordance with the terms of his proposition, and that, should his proposition be accepted, he will at once enter into a contract in accordance therewith.

Should the contract be awarded him, we are prepared to become his securities.

(To this guarantee must be appended the official certificate above mentioned.)

INSPECTION, DELIVERY, ETC.

All mules contracted for under this advertisement will be subjected to a rigid inspection, and those not conforming to the specifications will be rejected.

The mules must all be delivered in this city within (30) thirty days from the date of signing the contract.

Payment to be made upon the completion of each contract, or so soon thereafter as the Depot Quartermaster shall be in funds.

Any informality in the bid or non-conformance with the terms of this advertisement, will secure the rejection of the proposal.

These mules will be awarded in lots of (500) five hundred each, unless the Depot Quartermaster may deem it for the interest of the Government to vary the number.

The Depot Quartermaster reserves to himself the right to reject any or all bids that he may deem too high.

D. H. RUCKER,
Colonel and Depot Quartermaster.
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ORDNANCE OFFICE,
WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, Aug. 8, 1862.

PROPOSALS will be received, by this Department, until 3 p. m., of the 26th of August, 1862, for the delivery, at the following arsenals of horse equipments, U. S. Cavalry pattern, as hereinafter specified:

At the Watertown Arsenal, Watertown, Massachusetts, 2,000 sets.

At the Watervliet Arsenal, West Troy, New York, 2,000 sets.

At the New York Arsenal, Governor's Island, New York, 10,000 sets.

At the Frankford Arsenal, Bridesburg, Pennsylvania, 6,000 sets.

At the Allegheny Arsenal, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 10,000 sets.

At the St. Louis Arsenal, St. Louis, Missouri, 10,000 sets.

These sets of horse equipments are to be furnished complete, except the horse brush, curry comb, latrist, pistol-pts, lines, and blanket. Samples can be examined at each of the above named arsenals. They are to be subject to inspection at the arsenals where delivered, before being received by the Government; none to be accepted or paid for but such as are approved upon such inspection.

Deliveries must be made in lots of not less than fifty sets per week for all contracts of 00 sets or under; one hundred sets per week for all contracts of