

cate a copy of the foregoing resolution to the President, with a request that he lay it before Congress.

ROBERT SMITH, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

In the House of Representatives, January 14th, 1814—Read and adopted.

GEO. HECKERT, *Clerk of the house of Representatives.*

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

In Senate, January 18th, 1814—Read and adopted.

JOSEPH A. M'JIMSEY, *Clerk of the Senate.*

CHAPTER III.

THE legislature of Pennsylvania believing that the gratitude and applause of a free people, are the most acceptable and honourable rewards of great and glorious actions, do in the name of the people of this state, hereby express the high sense which they entertain of the character and consequences of the victory, achieved on the tenth of September last, on Lake Erie, by the American fleet under the command of O. H. PERRY, over a British fleet, of superior force, commanded by Captain Barclay: a victory, not more distinguished by the bravery and skill displayed in the achievement, than by the clemency with which it was followed on the part of the illustrious conqueror: Be it therefore

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, That the governor be, and he is hereby requested to convey the thanks of the government of this commonwealth to Captain *Oliver Hazard Perry*, for the brilliant action, in which he succeeded in capturing his Britannic majesty's fleet on Lake Erie; and likewise to procure for, and present to him, in compliment of the said victory, a Gold Medal of fine workmanship, emblematically finished with the flag of our country, and noting him as commander in chief; with such other devices as the governor shall direct.

Resolved, That the governor be and he is hereby requested to convey the thanks of the government of this commonwealth to master commandant *Jesse Duncan Elliott* and lieutenant *John F. Yarnall*, for their gallant and brave conduct, and the able assistance they gave to their commander in the said engagement; and that he likewise procure for, and present to each of them in compliment of the said victory, a Gold Medal of fine workmanship, emblematically finished in such manner as the governor shall direct.

Resolved, That the governor be and he is hereby requested to convey the thanks of the government of this commonwealth to those citizens of Pennsylvania, who nobly and gallantly volunteered on board of the American squadron on Lake Erie; and that he likewise procure and present to each of them, in compliment of their patriotism and bravery, a Silver Medal of the weight of two dollars, with each person's name thereon,

emblematically *finished* in such manner as the governor shall direct.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses, which may be incurred by the foregoing resolutions.

ROBERT SMITH, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.
P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

In Senate, January 6th 1814—Read and adopted.

JOSEPH A. M'JIMSEY, *Clerk of the Senate.*

In the House of Representatives, January 7th 1814.—Read and adopted.

GEORGE HECKERT, *Clerk*
of the House of Representatives.

APPROVED—the thirty-first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER IV.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the secretary of the commonwealth be and he is hereby directed to deliver to the clerk of the House of Representatives, for the use of the House of Representatives, ten copies, and to the clerk of the Senate for the use of the Senate, five copies of Purdon's Abridgment of the Laws of Pennsylvania.

ROBERT SMITH, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.
P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the seventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER V.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, That the Senators in Congress be instructed and our Representatives requested, to use their best endeavours to prevail upon Congress to propose to the several states for their adoption, an amendment to the constitution of the United States, to reduce the term of service of the senators in congress from six to four years.

Resolved, That the governor of this commonwealth be requested to transmit authenticated copies of the foregoing resolution to the executives of the different states, with a request that they be laid before the legislatures of the several states; and also one copy to each member of the Senate, and each