NUMBER 13.

A joint resolution of the senate and house of representatives of the State of Minnesota, relative to the annual appropriation to the State Agricultural Society provided by section five, chapter 142, General Laws 1883.

Whereas, the State Agricultural Society have determined to omit the holding of a fair during the year 1893, and whereas, there is provided by section 5 of chapter 142 of the general laws of Minnesota for the year 1883 the sum of four thousand dollars to aid the said

society annually in paying premiums, therefore,

Resolved, that the appropriation provided by section 5 of chapter 142 of the general laws of 1883 to the State Agricultural Society for the year 1893, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby made available to the said society for the payment of premiums already earned and remaining unpaid, and for meeting the necessary expenses of maintaining and caring for the property of said society during the year 1893.

Approved April 8, 1893.

NUMBER 14.

A memorial to Congress, requesting an appropriation for the opening of navigation from the foot of Big Stone lake to the northern boundary line of the state of Minnesota.

To the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America, in congress assembled:

Your memorialists, the legislature of the state of Minnesota, would

respectfully and urgently represent that,

Whereas, Big Stone and Traverse lakes and the Red river of the North are sosituated in the great valley which extends from the northern boundary of the state to the foot of Big Stone lake as to render their utilization for a waterway, at a comparatively small cost, both practicable and feasible, and whereas, preliminary surveys have shown the entire practicability of the project above foreshadowed, and its immense advantages to the people of western Minnesota and eastern Dakota are too obvious to need repetition; and whereas, the improvement contemplated will tend to greatly cheapen the transportation of the cereal products of Minnesota and Dakota and greatly aid in building up and fostering international traffic with British North America,

Wherefore, your memorialists respectfully urge upon their senators and representatives in congress to use all their influence to secure the appropriation of a sufficient sum to substantially commence the work of construction, and to take such speedy and prompt action as will

result in accomplishing the objects herein set forth.

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