

Authorizing the State Auditor to cancel certain unexpended balances of appropriations for the years 1858 and 1859

Supreme Court salary, fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500); State Bonds, twelve dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$12 99); Interest on State loan, two thousand two hundred and ninety-two dollars (\$2,292); Patrick Fitzsimmons, ninety-six dollars (\$96); Legislative Fund, sixteen thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars and fifty-five cents (\$16,335 55); Constitutional Convention, four thousand six hundred and forty-six dollars and ninety-three cents (\$4,646 93); Lieutenant Governor's salary, two hundred and ninety-two dollars (\$292); County Treasurers, two thousand four hundred and fifty-one dollars and ten cents (\$2,451 10); Attorney General's contingent fund, two hundred and sixty-one dollars and three cents (\$261 03); Supreme Court contingent fund, one dollar and ten cents (\$1 10); Repairs of Penitentiary, fifty-seven dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$57 98); Code Commissioners, five dollars and twenty cents (\$5 20); Incidental Legislative, two thousand seven hundred and twenty-one dollars and sixty-two cents (\$2,721 62); Stationery (House of Representatives), six thousand dollars (\$6,000); Postage Stamps for Senate, two thousand nine hundred dollars (\$2,900); Salary of Territorial and State officers, three dollars and twenty eight cents (\$3 28); Printing and Binding, five thousand three hundred and seventy-nine dollars and twenty-three cents (\$5,379 23).

Approved, March 4, 1863.

NUMBER XIV.

Joint Resolutions in Regard to Certain Propositions for a North-Western Confederacy, and in Relation to the Prosecution of the Present War.

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

That the people of this State view with the greatest

abhorrence and indignation, the efforts made by active and leading traitors, to bring about a separation of the North-western States from other portions of the country, with a view of an alliance with the Rebel States. That we regard it as an infamous libel upon the honor, integrity, and patriotism of our people, no matter from whatever quarter it may emanate, to assert that they will assent to a separation of the Union, and especially that they will ever yield to the payment of the slightest tariff or tribute to any power on earth, for the privilege of navigating that great national channel of commerce, the Mississippi river. The source of this stream, together with the head of navigation being within our own State limits, and regarding the right to the use of its commercial advantages, without obstruction, to the Gulf of Mexico, as having long since been secured to us by the well established usages and principles of the laws of nations, we shall inflexibly adhere and maintain the same in war as well as in peace.

In regard to certain propositions for a North-western Confederacy and in relation to the prosecution of the present war

Resolved, That we denounce any and all projects and schemes, contemplating a separation of the East from the West, and the formation of a North-western Confederacy, as being the vile work of treason, and as intended to give aid and comfort to the present uncalled for and wicked rebellion.

Resolved, That our hearts have been thrilled with joy on reading the late patriotic addresses and resolutions of different regiments belonging to the Grand Army of the Union. That in the lofty and heroic spirit of determination therein exhibited, our faith is increased in the ultimate and complete triumph of our cause—that the splendid example of these veterans in the field, is worthy of imitation in all quarters of the land, and places the nation under a debt of gratitude to them that time cannot efface; and further, we are solemnly bound, out of regard for the memory of that long list of martyrs who have already fallen in this great struggle for national existence, never to abandon the prosecution of this war until the Federal Flag floats over, and is acknowledged as the symbol of supreme national authority, in every State and County now comprised within the bounds of the so-called Southern Confederacy.

Resolved, That the Governor of the State is hereby requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to the Governors of the loyal States of the Union, with a re-

quest that the same be laid before such of their Legislatures as may be in session.

Approved, March 5, 1863.

NUMBER XV.

Joint Resolution Instructing the State Auditor relative to Appropriations.

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Instructing the
State Auditor in
relation to appro-
priations

That the State Auditor be instructed to pay out of the appropriation for the State Prison, for the year 1863, all bills properly drawn and attested for expenses of December, 1862.

Approved, March 6, 1863.

NUMBER XVI.

Joint Resolution for the Payment of Special Messengers from Fort Abercrombie to St. Paul, in August, 1862.

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

That the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appro-