

A P P E N D I X .

JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

PASSED AND APPROVED AT THE SEVENTH SESSION OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE, COMMENCING JANUARY THIRD, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE, AND TERMINATING MARCH THIRD, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE.

NUMBER I.

Joint Resolution of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, requesting the Senators and Representatives thereof to use their influence to secure the location of the North or Sioux City Branch of the Pacific Railroad, westwardly, as near as may be, along the parallel of forty-two and one-half degrees of north latitude, to a point of junction with the main trunk of said road.

February 1, 1865.

Whereas, By several acts of Congress liberal grants of public lands have been made for the construction of a railroad from the head of Lake Superior, south-westerly, via Saint Paul, to a point on the western boundary of Iowa at or near the parallel of forty-two and one-half degrees of north latitude, intersecting in its passage a railroad running westwardly from Winona, and another running up the valley of the Root River, in Minnesota, and one from McGregor, in Iowa, and connecting with the north or Sioux City branch of the Pacific Railroad at the above point,—that southwestern road operating as a main trunk to all the others.

Preamble.

And whereas, The best interests of all of those roads, as well as of the country through which they run, and the whole region of country westwardly thereof, require and demand that that branch should run westwardly on the nearest, most direct, and most practicable route, to unite with the main trunk in the neighborhood of Fort Larimie.

And whereas, A diversion of that branch from that route to the Platte Valley Route, thereby increasing very materially the distance, will be destructive of the best interests of those roads, and the country through which they run, as also a palpable violation of the spirit and evident intention of the law creating that branch; therefore,

To secure the location of the North or Sioux City Branch of the Pacific Railroad.

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to use their best efforts and influence to secure the location of said branch, westwardly, as near as may be, along the parallel of forty-two and one-half degrees of north latitude to a point of junction with the main trunk, and so as in the most effectual manner to promote the best interests of all those roads, and of the country through which they pass.

Resolved, That they protest against and use their influence to prevent that branch from being diverted down the Valley of the Missouri River, to unite with the Platte Valley Route.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be directed to send a duly authenticated copy of this preamble and resolutions to the President of the United States, and to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Approved February 1, 1865.

NUMBER II.

January 27, 1865.

A Joint Resolution relating to the "New Ulm Mill Claims."

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :

That our Senators and Representatives in Congress