said roads a clause for the speedy construction of the aforesaid branch along the line, and with the connections above indicated.

Approved February 23, 1874.

NUMBER XI.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO ARMS AND MILITARY PROP-ERTY BURNED AT NEW ULM NOVEMBER 20, 1878.

WHEREAS, During the night of November 20, 1873, the following arms and equipments, the property of the state of Minnesota, in the care and custody of Company "A," 3d Battery, Minnesota National Guard, to-wit: Forty-six stand of muskets and equipments, and seven swords, were consumed by fire at New Ulm.

AND, WHEREAS, The fire having resulted from incendiarism or accident, without the knowledge or ability of the company, or the

bondsmen of the company to prevent.

AND, WHEREAS, The said company or its bondsmen were in no manner to blame or responsible for the fire and loss resulting there-

from; therefore,

Be it resolved, That Jos. Bobleter, Julius Kirschstein and Herman Herrenderfer, the bondsmen held for the safety and preservation of said arms and military property be, and they are hereby relieved from the terms and conditions of said bond, and the same declared hereby to be null and void.

Approved February 24, 1874.

NUMBER XII.

JOINT RESOLUTION RESPECTING THE IMPROVEMENT OF NAVIGA-TION ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

WHEREAS, The Upper Mississippi River forms a continuous water course from the Falls of St. Authony, the present head of steamboat navigation on the said river, to Pokegama Falls, near the source of