thus planting and fostering a timber and lumber monopoly in our midst; and we earnestly request the congress of the United States to interpose its power to cancel said contracts, and protect the state from all future attempts of this kind. Resolved further, That the governor of this state be requested to torward copies of this preamble and these resolutions to our senators and representatives in congress, to the secretary of the interior and the head of the Indian bureau, at Washington; and that said senators and representatives be requested to lay the subject before congress at an early day, and urge immediate action by that honorable body; and that they take such further action in the matter as they may deem necessary and expedient to protect the state in its legal and equitable property interests in the timber growing upon the public lands of this state.

Approved February 11, 1874.

## NUMBER VI.

A JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE SENATORS AND REPRESENTA-TIVES REPRESENTING MINNESOTA IN CONGRESS TO USE THEIR EFFORTS TO SECURE A POST ROUTE IN THE COUNTIES OF LYON, YELLOW MEDICINE AND LAC QUI PARLE.

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

That our senators and representatives in congress are requested to use their efforts to secure a postroute from Marshall (a station on the Winona and St. Peter Railroad), in the county of Lyon, and thence by way of Stavanger post office, in the county of Yellow Medicine to Lac qui Parle, in the county of Lac qui Parle, a total distance of about forty miles.

Resolved, That the postmaster general is respectfully requested to place the requisite service on the said route so soon as the said

route shall be duly authorized by act of congress.

Resolved, That the governor of this state be requested to forward copies of these resolutions to our senators and representatives in congress and the postmaster general.

Approved February 12, 1874.