

## NUMBER 3.

[S. F. No. 201.]

A JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING CONGRESS TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE NAVIGATION OF THE RED RIVER OF THE NORTH AND ITS TRIBUTARY WATERS.

WHEREAS, The improvement of the Red River of the North has been greatly benefited by a wise expenditure of money heretofore appropriated, and

WHEREAS, Surveys have demonstrated the practicability, and experience has demonstrated the necessity for the further improvement of the navigation of said river by the construction of a lock and dam at Goose Rapids, and

WHEREAS, It is believed that the navigation of said river may be extended up the Red Lake river, and up the Bois de Sioux through Lake Traverse to the head of Big Stone Lake by erecting a reservoir at that lake and also at Red Lake and improving the streams leading therefrom to said Red River, and

WHEREAS, The improvement contemplated and known to be feasible would tend to greatly cheapen the transportation of the cereal products of Minnesota and Dakota and greatly aid in building up and fostering inter-national traffic with British North America. Therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota.*

That our senators and representatives in congress be requested to use all their influence to secure an appropriation for the construction of a lock and dam at Goose Rapids, and to further prosecute the dredging of said river between Breckenridge and the international boundary and to make a survey of Red Lake and river and of the Bois de Sioux river, and lakes Traverse and Big Stone and the intermediate country with a view to connecting said lakes by canal.

*Resolved,* Further, that the secretary of state be requested to forward copies of this resolution to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

Approved February 12th, 1887.