

WHEREAS, There is a large amount of travel and intercourse between the citizens of the United States carried on across the said "Free-Toll Iron Bridge," and

WHEREAS, The highway leading to said bridge on the north side is apparently in imminent danger of being cut in twain by reason of the Minnesota river changing its present bed or channel and running north of said bridge, thereby rendering said bridge useless to the public at large, and at this point the navigation of the Minnesota river endangered if not made worthless, which would be a great calamity.

Therefore be it resolved, That our senators and representatives in congress be and they are hereby requested to use all reasonable efforts to secure an appropriation of ten thousand (10,000) dollars to be expended under the directions of the engineer of the United States in such a manner as to save to and for the public at large the use of said "Free-Toll Iron Bridge" and the unimpaired navigation of the Minnesota river at this place.

Be it further resolved, That the secretary of state be requested to send a copy of these resolutions and preambles to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

Approved February 12, 1887.

NUMBER 6.

[S. F. No. 316.]

A MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS IN RELATION TO ADDITIONAL BOUNTIES.

WHEREAS, Congress by the act of July twenty-eight (28th,) A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six (1866,) granted to each soldier who enlisted into the army of the United States after the nineteenth (19th) day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one (1861,) for a period of not less than three (3) years, and having served the term of his enlistment has been honorably discharged and who has received or who is entitled to receive from the United States under existing laws a bounty of one hundred dollars (\$100) and no more; and any such soldier enlisting for not less than three (3) years who has been honorably discharged on account of wounds received in the line of duty; and the widow, minor children or parents in the order named of any such soldier who died in the service of the United States or of disease or wounds contracted while in the service and in the line of his duty shall be paid the additional bounty of one hundred dollars (\$100), and

WHEREAS, Said act expired July first (1st), one thousand eight hundred and eighty (1880) by limitation, and at the time of its expiration there were many soldiers and widows and parents of sol-

diers in Minnesota and other states who were entitled to the extra bounty provided for by said act of July twenty-eight (28th), one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six (1866) who were prevented from making their applications and having them allowed before the expiration of the time allowed by said act, and

WHEREAS A large number of claims of Minnesota soldiers for bounty have been allowed and have for a long time remained unpaid for the want of an appropriation to pay the same; Therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota.

That our senators and representatives in congress be requested to use their influence to secure the passage of an act enabling soldiers entitled to extra bounty under the act of July twenty-eight (28th), one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six (1866), to file their claims and secure the same amount which their comrades have already received, and also an act appropriating money for the payment of such bounty claims as have been allowed.

Resolved, That the secretary of state forward a certified copy of this resolution to each of our senators and representatives in congress forthwith.

Approved February 25th, 1887.

NUMBER 7.

[S. F. No. 20.]

A JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING OUR SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS TO GIVE THEIR SUPPORT TO A PENDING BILL TO REGULATE INTER-STATE COMMERCE AND TO PREVENT UNJUST DISCRIMINATION BY COMMON CARRIERS.

WHEREAS, Section four (4) of article ten (10) of the constitution of the state of Minnesota, provides that all corporations being common carriers, enjoying the right of way in pursuance of the provisions of this section, shall be bound to carry the mineral, agricultural and other productions of manufactures on *equal and reasonable terms*, and

WHEREAS, Many of the railroad corporations chartered and endowed with munificent grants, and valuable franchises, rights and privileges by this state, have by their extension through growth and consolidation, become inter-state common carriers, and as such claim freedom from state jurisdiction and regulation, and

WHEREAS, All attempts at state regulation designed to protect the people of the state from such common misuse of railroad corporate power as rebates, pooling and unequal and unreasonable traffic charges, have heretofore proved insufficient by reason of the position