

Resolved, That the governor be requested to forward copies hereof to our senators and representatives in congress, and also to the commissioner of the general land office, at an early day.

Approved March 2, 1874.

NUMBER XIX.

A JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS FOR APPROPRIATIONS TO IMPROVE THE HARBOR OF DULUTH.

WHEREAS, The state of Minnesota has but one port upon the great lakes, and of the large appropriations of congress for harbor improvements has as yet received but a very small part; and

WHEREAS, The facilities for shipping and transporting eastward by water routes the agricultural products of this State, are of prime importance to it; therefore,

Resolved, That the senate and house of representatives of the United States, in congress assembled, be and they are hereby requested to make such liberal and just appropriations for the improvement of the harbor of Duluth as will keep it up to the growing necessities of the northwest.

Resolved, That the governor be directed to transmit this memorial to congress for their consideration.

Approved March 2, 1874.

NUMBER XX.

A JOINT RESOLUTION TO CONGRESS, [OF THE LEGISLATURE] OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, ASKING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POST ROUTE FROM MARSHALL, MINNESOTA, TO DELL RAPIDS, DAKOTA TERRITORY.

WHEREAS, The rapidly increasing population of Lyon and Lincoln counties, Minnesota, and along the eastern line of Dakota Territory, labor under great inconvenience by reason of the circuitous

route by which their postal matter is conveyed to Dell Rapids, Dakota Territory, by way of Sioux City, a distance of over five hundred miles from Marshall to Dell Rapids.

WHEREAS, The actual distance is sixty-five miles; therefore

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 post route from Marshall, Minnesota, by way of Lynd, Hildrethsburg and Lake Benton, Minnesota, to Dell Rapids, Dakota Territory, a total distance of sixty-five miles.

Resolved, That the postmaster general is respectfully requested to place the requisite service on 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 to the postmaster general.

Approved March 3, 1874.

NUMBER XXI.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO CONGRESS RESPECTING UNITED STATES PENSION CLAIMS.

WHEREAS, Great complaints are of daily occurrence as to the allowance, disallowance and payment of pensions to invalids and other pensioners of the United States; therefore,

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

That our senators and representatives be requested to use their influence for an investigation of the affairs of the pension bureau at Washington, in regard to the allowance and disallowance of pensions heretofore granted and refused.

Approved March 5, 1874.