

NUMBER 11.

A MEMORIAL TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES RELATING TO THE TIME FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.

To the Congress of the United States:

Your memorialists, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, would most respectfully represent, that the people of Minnesota feel the deepest interest in the building and completion of the Northern Pacific Railroad, deeming it of the greatest importance for the development of the boundless resources of the country through which said road is to pass, as well as for the opening of new avenues of travel to the whole country.

That the Northern Pacific Railroad Company has done its utmost to comply with the law fixing the time for the completion of said road, and gives assurance that the great enterprise shall be prosecuted to its final consummation without delay.

That without Congress extending the time for completing the road and saving the grant of land donated for that purpose to the company, the great enterprise would fail.

Wherefore. Your memorialists would urge upon Congress to grant the extension of time for the completion of the Northern Pacific Railroad asked for by the company.

Approved January 25, 1878.

NUMBER 12.

A MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS TO SECURE AN ADEQUATE APPROPRIATION FOR A PROMPT AND THOROUGH IMPROVEMENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

Your memorialists, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, would respectfully but urgently represent, that you take such speedy and prompt action as will result in the permanent deepening of the channel and improvement of the navigation of the Mississippi river from St. Anthony Falls to New Orleans, in accordance with the action of the River Improvement Convention that assembled in the city of St. Paul, Min-