

NUMBER 4.

[S. F. No. 271.]

A JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING CONGRESS TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR A SURVEY OF RED RIVER ABOVE FERGUS FALLS.

WHEREAS The improvement of navigation of the Red River of the North has become a matter of great importance, in providing cheap transportation in the great cereal producing districts of Minnesota and Dakota, and in the development of commerce, with the province of Manitoba, and

WHEREAS, There are many lakes of large area adjacent and tributary to the head waters of said river, and

WHEREAS, It is believed that an extension of the reservoir system to this river, so as to restrain the great volume of water resulting from the spring rise and melting snows, until the drouth of summer, will greatly promote the navigation of said river now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of Minnesota :

That our senators and representatives in congress be requested to use their influence to secure an appropriation sufficient for the careful survey of that portion of Red river above Fergus Falls and the lakes tributary and adjacent thereto, with a view to the extension of the reservoir system to said river.

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 Feb. 19, 1887.

NUMBER 5.

[S. F. No. 341.]

A JOINT RESOLUTION ASKING CONGRESS TO APPROPRIATE TEN THOUSAND (10,000) DOLLARS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE MINNESOTA RIVER AT THE BOROUGH OF BELLE PLAINE.

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Minnesota.

The house of representatives concurring that, WHEREAS, the borough of Belle Plaine has by a vote of its people, built a free-toll iron draw bridge across the Minnesota river, within its limits, and

WHEREAS, The consent of the national government was obtained before the Minnesota river could be bridged, and

WHEREAS, The importance of continueing the work of the improvement of the Minnesota river in the interest of cheap transportation is a matter of natural interest, and

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-