

erty and the enforcement of the laws, rather than in new guaranties for particular interests, and concessions to unreasonable demands.”

Approved February 1, 1861.

NUMBER III.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS, relating to the new Administration just inaugurated.

Whereas, A new administration of the government has been inaugurated under circumstances of peculiar embarrassment, with a dissatisfied people in one portion of the union, and seeming to hate the union itself; *and whereas*, the peace and prosperity of the union depend upon its perpetuity, and its perpetuity depends upon the firmness and integrity of the administration of the government, sustained by a law abiding, loyal and union-loving people; *and whereas*, the inaugural address of President Lincoln gives abundant evidence that he possesses that ability and firmness that will restore peace and prosperity to our beloved union, by a strict adherence to all the requirements of the constitution and the laws, showing favor to no one section of the union over another: therefore,

Resolved, by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That in the inaugural address of ABRAHAM LINCOLN, we recognize the words of the true patriot and the sagacious statesman, and that we hail it as an omen that the government of this country is to be restored to its original purity, as founded by the *father of his country*, assisted by his *compatriots of revolutionary memory*.

Resolved, That, in the language of the inaugural, “Though passion may have strained, it must not break our bonds of affection. The mystic chords of memory, stretching from every battle field and patriot grave to every living heart and hearthstone all over this broad land, will yet swell the chorus of the union, when again touched, as surely they will be, by the better angels of our nature.”

Resolved, That we pledge the faith of the people of Wisconsin to aid the president of the United States in

carrying out the principles indicated in his inaugural address, to the fullest extent, putting into the scale, if need be, "Our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor."

Resolved, That the governor be requested to forward copies of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to the president of the United States, to the governor of each state in the union, and to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

Approved March 12, 1861.

NUMBER IV.

JOINT RESOLUTION, relative to amending the Constitution in regard to the Governor's salary.

Resolved, by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That section five of article five of the constitution be amended so as to read as follows :

SECTION 5. The governor shall receive during his continuance in office, an annual compensation of two thousand five hundred dollars.

Approved April 13, 1861.