

NUMBER III.

JOINT RESOLUTION, in regard to the assassination of Col. Ellsworth.

Resolved, by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That the people of the state of Wisconsin have received with emotions of the profoundest sorrow, the painful intelligence of the assassination, at Alexandria, of the brave and patriotic commander of the "New York Fire Zouaves," the distinguished Colonel Ellsworth; and that while we deplore the loss which the cause of loyalty and good government has sustained in his early and untimely death by a ruffianly hand, we are consoled with the reflection that his memory will be tenderly cherished and his heroic spirit revered wherever civilization has triumphed over darkness and despotism, and calm and manly courage is preferred to that species of boastful "chivalry" which scourges unoffending women and poisons and assassinates a gallant and devoted soldiery.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the afflicted parents of the deceased, and with his brave and self-sacrificing companions in this their great bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the governor of this state to the parents of the deceased, and also to the regiment of which he was commander.

Approved May 25, 1861.