

the route above described, in like manner, to the same extent and with the same effect as if the said route above described had been specifically prescribed in the said act of congress.

Approved April 5, 1866.

NUMBER 5.

JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the construction of the Portage and Superior railroad.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That our senators and representatives in congress are hereby requested to secure the passage of an act of congress, at the earliest practicable moment, amending an act entitled "an act granting lands to aid in the construction of certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin," approved May 5th, 1864, and providing for their application to the construction of a railroad as in said act of congress directed, so as to grant to and confer upon the Portage and Superior railroad company an equal quantity of land, mile for mile, to aid in and to be applied to the construction of a railroad from Fond du Lac city, in the county of Fond du Lac, to Ripon, in the county of Fond du Lac, as granted by the said act of congress for the construction of the said railroad from the city of Portage to Bayfield and Superior, as is provided in the act incorporating said Portage and Superior railroad company.

Approved April 5, 1866.

NUMBER 6.

JOINT RESOLUTION of the legislature of the state of Wisconsin, submitting the question of a constitutional convention to the people of this state.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That in the opinion of the legislature of this state, a revision of the constitution of this state is desirable, to more thoroughly adapt it to the present wants and demands of the people of this state.

Resolved, further, That the question of a "convention," or "no convention," be submitted to the electors of this state, at the next general election. Said question shall be taken by ballot, on a sep-

rate piece of paper from the general ballot, and shall be deposited in a separate box, to be provided for that purpose. Such ballot shall have inscribed thereon the words "for convention," or "no convention," and the returns and canvass of votes cast on said question, shall be made in all respects as the returns and canvass of votes for state officers are now made; and if a majority of all the votes cast on the subject shall be in favor of a convention, then it shall be the duty of the state canvassers to make proclamation of the vote, with their determination thereon, and it shall also be the duty of the next legislature to provide for the election of members to said convention, and for the holding thereof.

Resolved, further, That it shall be the duty of the secretary of state to give notice to the electors of the state of the passage of these resolutions, by incorporating them in the notice to be given by him for a general election in November next.

Approved April 6, 1866.

NUMBER 7.

JOINT RESOLUTION in regard to an artesian well in the capitol park.

WHEREAS, It is highly important that the facilities for obtaining water in the capitol building and the surrounding park, be considerably increased, not only for the purpose of accommodating the necessities of the building, and in a dry season watering the trees and shrubs in the park, but also for supplying the more important demand of furnishing an unfailing supply of water in case the building should take fire;

AND WHEREAS, It is a well-established fact that fountains of flowing water have been procured in different parts of this state, wherever they have been sought for, at a depth not exceeding 300 feet, and that there is the same reason to believe that a like success would reward an effort of the same character in the capitol park: Therefore,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the superintendent of public [property] be hereby instructed to procure the sinking of an artesian well, so called, at some convenient point in the capitol park, at an early day as practicable.

Resolved, further, That the object contemplated by the foregoing resolution, shall be done under the supervision of the governor, and that no expense or liability shall be incurred in the matter, unless he shall be satisfied, after investigating the subject, that there is a good prospect of success.

Approved April 12, 1866.