

# JOINT RESOLUTIONS

OF THE

# SENATE AND ASSEMBLY.

OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN—SESSION OF 1856.

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## NUMBER 1.

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That the joint committee appointed to examine the books in the office of the state treasurer, secretary of state and school and university land commissioners, be, and they are hereby authorized and directed, to examine into the manner in which the school and university lands have been sold, and all such other matters connected with the selection, appraisal, management and disposition of said lands, and the funds arising therefrom, as said committee shall deem important, and for the interests of the state; and for the purpose of such examination, the said committee have full power and authority to send for persons and papers.

Investigating committee directed to examine the manner of sales of University lands, &c.

Presented to the Governor, February 28, 1856.

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## NUMBER 2.

Joint Resolution in relation to Islands in the Mississippi river.

*Whereas,* By the act of Congress of the United States, approved September 28th, 1850, granting to the several States in this Union the swamp and overflowed lands

In relation to islands in Mississippi river.

within the borders of said States, the State of Wisconsin is justly entitled to the islands in the Mississippi river, east of the main channel of the Mississippi and St. Croix, as the said islands are situated wholly within the bounds of the State of Wisconsin, being east of the main channel of the Mississippi and St. Croix rivers.

Why not brought into market.

*And whereas,* The said islands have never been brought into market, for the reason that it has not as yet been ascertained at the proper department at Washington, whether the said islands are within the limits of this state, or in those of the state of Iowa.

Request to have a survey made.

*Therefore, be it Resolved,* That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby requested to cause a survey of said islands to be made, under the direction of the proper department of the general government, to the end that their locality be finally determined, and that they be set apart to the State of Wisconsin, as a part of the swamp and overflowed lands within her bounds, under the act of congress aforesaid, so far as the same may be found to lie east of the main channel of the Mississippi river.

Approved March 22, 1856.

### NUMBER 3.

Authorizing Wm. Crombie to dispose of certain timber, &c.

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That William Crombie be authorized to secure and dispose of the wood, timber and lumber which may have been cut upon or taken from lands owned by this state: *Provided,* No charge shall be made against the state for such service or for his services in protecting the swamp and overflowed land heretofore, unless enough of wood, timber or lumber is saved by the said Crombie, to pay the same; and he is hereby required to report to the secretary of state, under oath, the amount of his receipts upon such sales, on the first day of January, A. D. eighteen hundred and fifty seven, or within fifteen days thereafter; and any amount he shall have received over the amount his due for services rendered the state, in protecting the swamp and overflowed lands, shall be paid into the state treasury, with his report to the secretary of state.

Approved March 29, 1856.