

JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

SESSION OF 1862.

NUMBER I.

JOINT RESOLUTION of the senate and assembly of the state of Wisconsin, requesting senators and members of congress to vote for abolishing [the] franking privilege, [privilege.]

Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring, That our senators in congress be requested to vote and use all honorable means to secure the passage of a law abolishing the present franking system, [system,] and that our representatives in congress who voted for the abolition of the present franking system [system] are entitled to the thanks of the people of this state.

Approved January 30, 1862.

NUMBER II.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS relative to the resignation of Gen'l Sigel.

Resolved, by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the people of the state of Wisconsin entertain towards Brig'd-General Franz Sigel, feelings of most profound respect; and believing that his long experience in, and familiarity with, military affairs, his brilliant military career in his native country, and his prompt, noble and efficient labors in sustaining the cause of the union in the present

struggle, entitle him to the respect and confidence of the people of the whole country,

Resolved, That the president of the United States, if not incompatible with the public interests, be respectfully and earnestly requested to promote Gen'l Sigel to the rank of a major-general in the army of the United States. Such promotion would, in the judgment of this legislature, be but an act of simple justice to a brave and efficient officer, and would be hailed with joy, not only by his countrymen, but by the loyal people of the whole country.

Resolved, That the governor of this state be requested to forward copies of these resolutions to the president of the United States and secretary of war.

Approved January 30, 1862.

NUMBER III.

JOINT RESOLUTION of the senate and assembly of the state of Wisconsin, directing the governor [governor] to notify the secretary of the United States treasury, that Wisconsin assumes [assumes] her quota of the national tax.

Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the governor [governor] is hereby authorized and directed to give notice to the secretary of the United States treasury, that the state of Wisconsin does assume her quota of the national tax, as provided by the act of congress approved Augst [August] 5th, 1861.

Approved February 1, 1862.

NUMBER IV.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS relative to relief for Ireland.

Resolved, by the assembly, the senate concurring, That, in view of the want and famine impending over Ireland, and of our sense of gratitude to her brave sons who, by thousands, are periling their lives on the battle-fields of liberty, in defense of our government and institutions, in this time of their trial, (*that*) our senators in congress be instructed, and our representatives be requested, to use all constitutional means in their power for the relief of that distressed land, by appropriate action.