

will soon increase the importance of our lake harbors, and in order to afford suitable protection and shelter for the lake marine to be employed in moving the tonnage thus created, and to afford additional facilities for the trade and commerce of Lake Superior,

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That our senators in congress be instructed, and our representatives requested, to procure such further appropriations as will finish the government works at the entry to the bay of Superior, in the state of Wisconsin.

Resolved, further, That the governor of this state be requested to forward copies of these resolutions to our senators and representatives in congress, at as early a day as practicable.

Approved March 10, 1870.

NUMBER 7.

JOINT RESOLUTION providing for the distribution of safes to the several asylums of the state.

Resolved by the senate the assembly concurring, That the superintendent of public property be and he is hereby instructed to distribute from the fire proof safes in the office of the late bank comptroller or others belonging to the state not necessary for use where now located, one each to the State Prison, Deaf and Dumb Institute and Insane Hospital for the purpose of the safe keeping of moneys, books, papers and so forth.

Approved March 10, 1870.

NUMBER 8.

JOINT RESOLUTION endorsing the course of Hon. Matt. H. Carpenter in his expressions of sympathy for Cuban patriots.

Resolved by the assembly the senate concurring, That the members of the legislature of Wisconsin participate in the sentiments of sympathy entertained by the American people for every oppressed people, in their efforts to obtain the blessings of civil liberty and self government.

Resolved, That in our opinion, whenever any people have entered in good faith upon a struggle against tyranny and for the inestimable rights of liberty, American law and American policy require that the general government should observe strict neutrality between the contestants, and that while it should scrupulously observe every duty it owes to established governments, it should also, (remembering our own history, and thanking God for our deliverance) abstain in act and policy from anything which might prejudice the cause of liberty or aid the interests of oppression.

Resolved, That the course of the Hon. Matt. H. Carpenter of Wisconsin, in the United States senate, in his expressions of sympathy for the cause of the Cuban patriots in their heroic efforts to shake off the shackles of oppression, and secure the sacred right of self government receives the endorsement of this legislature, as we believe it does that of the American people.

Approved March 11, 1870.

NUMBER 9.

JOINT RESOLUTION relative to a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Madison to Portage City.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That our senators in congress be instructed and our representatives requested to lend their aid and influence in procuring an extension of the time for the completion of the railroad from Madison to Portage City until the first day of July, 1874, and procuring an amendment of the act of congress, approved June 3, 1856, so as to authorize the Madison and Portage City Railroad Company upon the completion of said road according to the provisions of said act, by and with the consent of the governor of this state, to select, subject to the approval of the secretary of the interior, from any lands of the United States in the state of Wisconsin that are now subject to sale and entry, to the same extent and quantity as mentioned and provided for in said act of congress, and to extend said grant to the state of Wisconsin for the benefit of the Madison and Portage City Railroad Company, so that the governor of the state may select from any lands of the United States in the state of Wisconsin that are subject to sale and entry, the quantity of land granted