

NUMBER 3.

PENSIONS TO WIDOWS OF CHAPLAINS AND SURGEONS.

JOINT RESOLUTION of Instruction to our Senators and Representatives in Congress in relation to pensions to widows of deceased Chaplains and Surgeons in the Army.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Iowa, That our Senators in Congress are instructed and our Representatives requested to use their influence to procure the passage of an amendment to the Pension laws of the United States, allowing pensions to the widows of Chaplains and Surgeons in the army who die or may be killed while in the service of the United States.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State forward copies of this Joint Resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Approved February 9th, 1864.

NUMBER 4.

SHIP CANAL.

JOINT RESOLUTION relative to the construction of a Ship Canal from the Lakes to the Mississippi River, by a general western route, and the improvement of the Upper and Lower Rapids of said River.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Iowa, That our Senators in the Congress of the United States be instructed, and our Representatives requested to favor and support the construction of a Ship Canal from the Lakes to the Mississippi River on a general Western route; also to favor and support as a matter of primary importance, the project of so improving the Upper and Lower Rapids of the Mississippi River by means of canaling, as to afford uniform navigation on said river, believing that said Ship Canal and improvement of the navigation of the river, are not only of immense importance to the Agricultural and Commercial interests of Iowa, but are demanded as a military necessity.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be directed to forward to each of our Senators and Representatives at Washington a certified copy of this Resolution.

Approved February 11th, 1864.