construction of the Iowa branch of the Union Pacific Railroad leading from the terminus at Omaha, through Council Bluffs, to Des Moines, the Capital of the State, as by the construction of the Kansas branch, and that the Iowa branch has advantages in that it is a continuation of the main line.

Be it therefore resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That Congress be, and hereby is, memorialized to pass, and our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our Representatives requested to use their best endeavors to procure the passage of a law granting to the Iowa branch of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, the same aid under the same restrictions and limitations as has been granted to the Kansas branch of the Union Pacific Railroad.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and is hereby instructed to forward a duly certified copy of the foregoing Memorial and Joint Resolution, to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Approved March 6, 1866.

NUMBER 9.

THE PLATES OF HALL'S GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Plates on which Hall's Geological Report was printed.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Iowa, That the Secretary of State be directed to ascertain whether the plates on which Hall's Geological Survey of Iowa was printed belong to the State of Iowa, and if so that he have them brought to the State, and deposited with the State Historical Society, for the future use of the State.

Approved March 15, 1866.

NUMBER 10.

RELIEF OF BUCHANAN COTNTY.

JOINT RESOLUTION, for the relief of the County of Buchanan.

WHEREAS, On the 17th day of March, 1864, burglars broke open

the safe of the county of Buchanan, and abstracted therefrom the sum of about twenty-six thousand dollars; and

Whereas, Of the funds so abstracted, it is represented that about one thousand and thirty-four 57-100 dollars was moneys collected as State revenue; therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the Auditor of State be and he is hereby authorized to credit the said county of Buchanan, in the proper revenue account, with such sum as, by the proper certificate of the Board of Supervisors of said county, shall be shown to his satisfaction to have been so abstracted of said fund, and not thereafter recovered, but in no case to exceed the said sum of one thousand and thirty-four 57-100 dollars.

Approved March 16, 1866.

NUMBER 11.

ASKING FOE A GEANT OF LAND FOE A BAILROAD RUNNING FROM CEDAR BAPIDS TO THE SOUTHERN LINE OF THE STATE.

MEMORIAL AND JOINT RESOLUTION asking Congress for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a Railroad from the Northern terminus of the North Missouri Railroad, on the Southern line of Iowa, to Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

WHEREAS, The several Railroads running East and West through our State have had large and munificent grants of land to aid in their construction, in order to secure to the people of the State an outlet for their produce to the Eastern markets, and

WHEREAS, A North and South road through the State, connecting St. Paul, Minn., and the Northern pine regions, with St. Louis, Mo., would be equally beneficial to the State, by giving the benefits of competition in transportation, communication with the Southern trade, and the choice of markets; therefore, Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested, to use their influence to procure a liberal grant of land from the General Government, in such manner, and undor such restrictions, as may be deemed proper, to aid in the construction of a Railroad from the Northern terminus of the North Missouri Railroad, on the Southern line of Iowa, to the city of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be directed to forward a copy of this memorial and resolutions to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Approved March 26th, 1866.