

and especially to prevent its spreading from districts now infected to the cattle-producing fields and ranges of the west.

Resolved, That the secretary of state be requested to furnish a copy of this memorial to each of the senators and representatives of the state of Iowa.

Approved, March 6, 1884.

NUMBER 8.

HOME FOR DISABLED SOLDIERS.

JOINT RESOLUTION in Relation to a Branch Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

WHEREAS, the Hon. W. B. Allison has a bill now pending in congress, for the location and erection of a branch home for disabled volunteer soldiers, at some suitable point, in either the states of Iowa, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri or Nebraska, to cost two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and,

WHEREAS, It is desirable for Iowa to secure said institution for disabled volunteer soldiers and sailors; therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That a committee of five—three from the house and two from the senate—be appointed to confer with the board of managers of the home for disabled volunteer soldiers, and if possible secure the location of said branch home in Iowa.

Approved, March 14, 1884.

NUMBER 9.

RAILROAD LAND-GRANTS.

JOINT RESOLUTION in Regard to Grants of Public Lands to Railroads.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

FIRST. That in view of the rapid absorption of the public lands of the United States fit for settlement, we do hereby earnestly request our senators and representatives in congress to use their influence so that where grants of public land have been made directly to any corporation to aid in building railroads, and the terms of said grants have not been substantially complied with, steps may be immediately taken to have the unearned por-