

tioned at Fort Atkinson, which company was organized accordingly, and mustered into the service of the United States, September 9th, 1846; and,

Whereas, On the representation and recommendation of Brevet Brig. Gen. G. M. Brooke, he was directed, on the 3rd of October, 1846, to order said company to be mustered out of service; and,

Whereas, The said order was executed by Brevet Maj. Hooe, 5th Infantry, on the 5th of October, 1846; and,

Whereas, Said company sustained a serious loss and injury by being thus unexpectedly and hastily disbanded; therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Instructions to representatives. That our representatives in congress be, and they are hereby, instructed to use their exertions to obtain six months pay for said company, from the time of their being mustered into service.

Approved, January 16th, 1847.

[195] RESOLUTION—NO. 8.

DES MOINES RIVER.

JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to obtaining privilege from the state of Missouri to erect dams across the Des Moines river.

Preamble. Whereas, the congress of the United States has recently made a large donation of the public lands for the improvement of the Des Moines river; and

Whereas, one half of said river, for a considerable distance from its mouth upwards, lies within the state of Missouri and beyond the jurisdiction of this state; and

Whereas, the said improvements will probably require the erection of dams or other works across the entire bed and upon the banks of said river, and will perhaps create water power which should in justice be under the control and be made to contribute to the benefit of this state, Wherefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Governor to open correspondence with governor of Missouri. That the governor of this state be requested to open a correspondence forthwith, with the governor of the state of Missouri, for the purpose of obtaining from the legislature of that state the privilege of erecting dams and other works within the limits of said state, which may be necessary for said improvement, also the right of disposing of the water power which may be thereby created, in such manner as may be just and proper.

Approved, January 18th, 1847.

RESOLUTION—NO. 9.

MAIL ROUTE.

JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to a certain mail route.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Mail from Iowa City to Fort Des Moines. That our representatives in congress be requested to use their influence to obtain the establishment of a mail

route from Iowa City, in Johnson county, by way of the county seats of Iowa, Poweshiek and Jasper counties, to Fort Des Moines, the county seat of Polk county, and to establish a post office at the town of Newton, the county seat of Jasper county. Said mail to be carried on the state road leading from Iowa City, by way of the before mentioned county seats, to the Council Bluffs.

Governor to forward copies. Resolved, That his excellency, Governor Briggs, be requested to [196] furnish each of our representatives in congress, and the postmaster general with a copy of the foregoing resolution.

Approved, January 20th, 1847.

RESOLUTION—NO. 10.

MAIL ROUTE.

JOINT RESOLUTION relative to a mail route from Iowa City, in the state of Iowa, to Albany, in the state of Illinois.

Route via Tipton and Dewitt. Whereas, in the opinion of the general assembly of the state of Iowa, the establishment of a mail route from Iowa City, in the state of Iowa, by the way of Tipton, the county seat of Cedar county, and DeWitt, the county seat of Clinton county, to the town of Albany, in the state of Illinois, would greatly facilitate the transmission of mail matter from the east and the northeast to the interior of Iowa; and

Whereas, the convenience of the public requires the establishment of such mail route: therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Representatives instructed. That our delegation in congress be instructed to use their endeavors to procure the establishment of said mail route.

Discontinuance of route. Resolved, that in the event of the establishment of said mail route, the general assembly recommend the discontinuance of the mail route No. 4258, from Fulton City, in the state of Illinois, to Tipton, in the state of Iowa; and be it further

Copies forwarded. Resolved, that his excellency the governor be requested to forward to each of our representatives in congress, and to the Hon. John Wentworth, member of [the house of] representatives from the state of Illinois, a copy of this preamble and resolutions.

Approved, January 27th, 1847.

RESOLUTION—NO. 11.

MAIL ROUTE.

JOINT RESOLUTION providing for a mail route from Fairfield to Bloomfield.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That our representatives in congress be requested to use their influence in obtaining the establishment of a mail route from Fairfield, in Jefferson county, to [197] Bloomfield, in Davis county, and thereby extend mail facilities to the numerous population of the south part of this state.

Resolved, that his excellency Ansel Briggs be requested to forward a copy of the foregoing resolution to our representatives in congress, at as early a day as practicable.

Approved, January 28th, 1847.