

of the State, and that the lands likely to be within the scope of the applied for grant, now for sale, be immediately withdrawn from market; and wherever the lands are not in market, the same be withheld from sale until sufficient time shall have expired for the particular location of this Railroad, and the selecting of the lands to be conveyed in said grant.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and is hereby instructed to forward a copy of the foregoing memorial and resolutions to each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress, to the Secretary of the Interior, and to the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Approved March 8th, 1864.

NUMBER 13.

CLAIM OF S. T. PIERCE.

A JOINT RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the Board of Commissioners appointed to audit claims against the War and Defense Fund be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to audit the claim of S. T. Pierce of Lee county for services in Company "A" of the Southern Border Brigade during the months of November, 1862, and January and February, 1863.

And the said Board shall allow to said Pierce, so much as they may find due him for the time he was actually on duty, and for which he has received no pay on account of the omission of the name from the pay roll, and the same shall be paid out of the War and Defense Fund.

Approved March 19th, 1864.

NUMBER 14.

IOWA SANITARY COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, On the 18th day of November, 1863, a convention of citizens of Iowa was held in this city which resulted in the formation of an association known as the "Iowa Sanitary Commission," and said association having become incorporated and declared its

intention to co-operate with the "United States Sanitary Commission," and with the "Western Sanitary Commission;" it is therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That we recommend the noble objects and purposes of this Commission to the people of Iowa, as the proper means for concentrating the efforts of our people in the work of benefiting our sick and wounded soldiers.

Resolved, That by its co-operation with the United States Sanitary Commission and the Western Sanitary Commission, we believe the Sanitary Stores of the State of Iowa which are so generously contributed by her people will reach the army with less expense and more efficiency than by any other plan.

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the Federal principle that the army of freedom, now in the field, is the United States Army, and should be aided and comforted, through the joint efforts of each and every loyal State of the Union.

Resolved, That as Iowa is proud of her noble sons who have gone forth to battle for the freedom of the whole Nation, and of humanity, so is she proud of her Sanitary Commission which has made itself auxiliary to the great National work of carrying the contributions of our people to all soldiers, wherever found, who may need sustenance and support.

Approved March 24th, 1864.

NUMBER 15.

S. H. TAFT.

JOINT RESOLUTION for the relief of S. H. Taft.

WHEREAS, S. H. Taft has brought into this State a Colony and located in Humboldt County, on land granted to the State of Iowa, by act of Congress of July 12th, 1862; therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorized to convey to said S. H. Taft, the land upon which he has located his said Colony, not exceeding ten sections at not less than one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre; said conveyance to be made as soon as the land is certified to the State of Iowa and the money received therefor, to be deposited in the State Treasury for the benefit of the party entitled thereto.

Approved March 26th, 1864.