

be furnished to each United States Examining Surgeon in this State, and the Secretary of State is directed to carry this resolution into effect: *Provided* it shall not require a reprint; and *provided further*, that in distributing said Reports, preference shall be given to those surgeons who are not already supplied by law.

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NUMBER 21.

AMERICAN EMIGRANT COMPANY.

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the Register of the State Land Office be, and is hereby, instructed to inform the counties in which contracts referring to swamp lands have been made with the American Emigrant Company, of the substance of the report of the Joint Committee appointed to investigate the alleged frauds and misrepresentations of that Company.

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the Governor be, and is hereby, requested to inform the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of the General Land Office, of the substance of the report of the Joint Committee appointed to investigate the alleged frauds and misrepresentations of the American Emigrant Company.

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NUMBER 22.

R. B. BRIDGES ACROSS THE MISS. RIVER AT CLINTON.

WHEREAS, The Albany Bridge Company have built a Railroad bridge from the Illinois shore of the Mississippi river across the eastern channel of the same to Little Rock Island, and the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company have connected the same with a Railroad bridge built by them across the western channel of the said river, at or near the city of Clinton, in Iowa, a part or section of which is a draw-bridge, so constructed as to admit of the passage of vessels, steamboats, and other river craft up and down the river, and

WHEREAS, These two Railroad bridges, with the connection across Little Rock Island, are operated together as one to facilitate the transportation of the United States mail, passengers, merchan-

dise, and products, between the States of Iowa and Illinois, affording safety and dispatch to the carrying of the same, without any delay or danger from ice or freshets, thereby greatly facilitating the requirements of commerce, and more particularly on account of the safe transmission of the mails of the United States; therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Iowa,* That our honorable Senators and Members of the House of Representatives in Congress assembled, at Washington, be and are hereby requested to obtain the early passage of a bill that shall declare and establish the said bridges and track across Little Rock Island a post or mail route, with same powers and restrictions as are given and required of other mail routes.

*Resolved,* That this Resolution be certified by the presiding officers of the two Houses, and Clerks of the same, and copies forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives.

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NUMBER 23.

ESCORT FOR COLONEL SAWYERS.

WHEREAS, We deem it to be true policy, as well as the duty of the Government to encourage and protect emigration to the gold fields of Idaho and Montana; and

*Whereas,* A wagon road has been opened by the Government from the Missouri River up the Niobrah [Niobrarah] Valley to Virginia City; and

*Whereas,* A large number of emigrants are preparing to pass over said route under the charge of Col. Sawyers, to the gold fields of Idaho and Montana, as soon as the season will permit; and

*Whereas,* In the opinion of the Legislature, the lives of many emigrants will be protected and the best interests of a large region of country subserved by furnishing a military escort to Col. Sawyers for said trip; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the military authorities having control of this matter are respectfully requested and urged to furnish said escort at as early a day as the public good will permit, and that the Secretary of State be instructed to forward copies of this Resolution to Major Generals Sherman and Pope.