

NUMBER 13.

SHIPMENT OF GRAIN BETWEEN STATES.

JOINT RESOLUTION Relative to Shipment of Grain.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That our senators in congress be instructed, and our representatives requested, to favor, by their influence and votes, the enactment of a law by congress requiring railroad companies operating a railroad or railroads which begin in one state and terminate in another, to provide scales at each shipping station on their road, by which they may weigh the contents of each car loaded, said law to provide, also, that it shall be the duty of said railroad companies to weigh the contents of every car loaded with any kind of grain for shipment to be sent over their road, giving the shipper or person so loading said car an accurate weigh-bill, stating the number of bushels or pounds which said car contains, and it shall be the further duty of said company to again weigh the contents of the car at the point of delivery, giving the shipper or owner of the grain with which the car is loaded, an accurate weigh-bill of the number of bushels or pounds contained in the car at the place and time of delivery, and further, if there be any loss of grain between its shipping point and point of delivery, the company shall make good such loss.

Approved February 24th, 1874.

NUMBER 14.

FOR INCREASE OF CURRENCY.

JOINT RESOLUTION Memorializing Congress for an Increase of the Currency of the Country.

WHEREAS, The real and personal property of the country has increased nearly one hundred per cent. in the last decade, and the value of manufactured products more than double[d] during the same time, while the amount of currency in circulation has been contracted about two hundred and fifty millions; and

WHEREAS, We believe the amount of currency in the country, and especially in the northwest, is inadequate to carry on the exchanges necessary for a healthy and prosperous condition of affairs, and however desirable it may be to bring about specie payment, an undue contraction of the legal tenders of the country, by which business is embarrassed and production impaired, is not the proper method of obtaining that end; therefore

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That we request our senators and representatives in congress to vote for such measures of relief as the present condition of the country demands, prominent among which, we believe, is a large addition to the present volume of the currency of the country.

Resolved, That the secretary of state is hereby instructed to furnish each of our members in congress with twenty-five (25) copies of this resolution.

Approved February 27th, 1874.