

[247] RESOLUTION NO. 20.

PENITENTIARY.

JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the accounts of the Iowa Penitentiary.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

Appoint commissioner — duty—settle—accounts—reports—compensation—proviso—perjury—notice—oath of commissioner. That the governor be authorized to appoint a commissioner, whose duty it shall be to settle with all persons having claims against, or unsettled accounts with, the Iowa penitentiary, including those of John W. Cohick, lessee and keeper, and appointed under the act of the general assembly, approved January 17th, 1846, as also the books of A. H. Haskell late superintendent, deceased, and John Scott, Esq., his successor, which said commissioner shall have power to send for persons, and papers, and to administer oaths, and shall state the amounts when a balance appears either way, and report to the governor within six months from the date of his appointment, and if approved by him said report shall be filed in the office of the auditor of state, which officer shall issue his warrant in favour of each person entitled to the balance reported by said commissioners; such commissioners to be entitled to two dollars per day for service actually rendered while engaged in the duties aforesaid; provided, that any person who wilfully swears falsely in reference to any account before said commissioner, shall be deemed guilty of perjury and liable to be punished accordingly, and provided further, that said commissioner shall immediately after his appointment give notice for three weeks in the papers published at Fort Madison Lee county and the Capital Reporter at Iowa City, notifying all persons having claims against said penitentiary, to state, and present the same, to said commissioner within thirty days, and if such claims are not presented within the time aforesaid, they shall be forever barred, and the state be discharged from any further liability for the same; provided further, that the commissioner before entering upon the duties of his office shall take and subscribe an oath for the faithful and impartial discharge of his duties, which oath shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state.

Approved, February 4th, 1851.

[248] RESOLUTION No. 21.

PRINTING CONSTITUTION IN GERMAN.

JOINT RESOLUTION relative to printing the constitution of the state of Iowa in the German language.

Preamble. Whereas the German population of the state of Iowa constitute a large and respectable portion of her most valuable citizens, and whereas the greater part of said Germans are unacquainted with the English language, in consequence of which they are unable to make themselves acquainted with the constitution of our state. Therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

Ed. of N. W. Democrat to print constitution in German—secretary to distribute. That the editor of the North-Western Democrat, be, and he is hereby authorized to translate into the German language and print five thousand copies of the constitution of the state of Iowa; and deliver the same to the secretary of state, whose duty it shall be to distribute them in each county