

struggle, entitle him to the respect and confidence of the people of the whole country,

Resolved, That the president of the United States, if not incompatible with the public interests, be respectfully and earnestly requested to promote Gen'l Sigel to the rank of a major-general in the army of the United States. Such promotion would, in the judgment of this legislature, be but an act of simple justice to a brave and efficient officer, and would be hailed with joy, not only by his countrymen, but by the loyal people of the whole country.

Resolved, That the governor of this state be requested to forward copies of these resolutions to the president of the United States and secretary of war.

Approved January 30, 1862.

NUMBER III.

JOINT RESOLUTION of the senate and assembly of the state of Wisconsin, directing the governor [governor] to notify the secretary of the United States treasury, that Wisconsin assumes [assumes] her quota of the national tax.

Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the governor [governor] is hereby authorized and directed to give notice to the secretary of the United States treasury, that the state of Wisconsin does assume her quota of the national tax, as provided by the act of congress approved Augst [August] 5th, 1861.

Approved February 1, 1862.

NUMBER IV.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS relative to relief for Ireland.

Resolved, by the assembly, the senate concurring, That, in view of the want and famine impending over Ireland, and of our sense of gratitude to her brave sons who, by thousands, are periling their lives on the battle-fields of liberty, in defense of our government and institutions, in this time of their trial, (*that*) our senators in congress be instructed, and our representatives be requested, to use all constitutional means in their power for the relief of that distressed land, by appropriate action.

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Resolved, That his excellency, the governor, be requested to forward a copy of this resolution to our senators and representatives in congress, at his earliest convenience.

Approved February 11, 1862.

NUMBER V.

JOINT RESOLUTION requesting senators and representatives in congress to oppose any stamp tax on newspapers, or any interdiction of free exchanges.

Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring, That our senators and representatives in congress be respectfully requested to oppose the passage, by congress, of any act imposing a stamp tax on newspapers, or the interdiction of free exchanges.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted by the governor to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

Approved February 15, 1862.

NUMBER VI.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS relative to amending the constitution in regard to the governor's salary.

Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the joint resolution agreed to by a majority of the members elected to the two houses composing the last preceeding [preceding] legislature, as appears by the yeas and nays taken thereon and entered on their journals respectively, entitled "joint resolution relative to amending the constitution in regard to the governor's salary," approved April 13, 1861, and which said resolution is in the words and figures following, to wit: "*Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring*, That section five of article five of the constitution, be amended so as to read as follows: 'Section 5. The governor shall receive, during his continuance in office, an annual compensation of two thousand five hundred dollars,'" be, and the same is, agreed to.

Resolved, That a joint committee of one from the senate and two from the assembly, be appointed, to report a bill to carry into effect the foregoing resolution, in accordance with the provisions of the constitution.

Approved February 17, 1862.