

CHAPTER 103.

MEMORIAL OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE TERRITORY OF DAKOTA, FOR A MAIL ROUTE FROM ELK POINT TO SIOUX FALLS CITY.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled:

Your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the Territory of Dakota, would most respectfully represent, that the mail facilities afforded to the people of the Big Sioux valley are entirely insufficient to meet their wants; that the commercial and social interest of the people in that portion of the territory demand the establishment of a mail route, with weekly service on the same, from Elk point, via Brule creek, Calliope, Iowa, and Commerce city, to Sioux Falls city, Dakota Territory.

Route asked for, and benefits.

Approved April 21, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

MISCELLANEOUS.**CHAPTER 104.**

[MEMORIAL] TO THE HONORABLE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, FOR A PORTION OF THE FUND APPROPRIATED BY CONGRESS TO ASSIST EMIGRANTS TO THE PACIFIC.

The memorial of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Dakota respectfully represents:

That parties are now being formed in the state of Minnesota for the purpose of organizing an expedition across the continent to the recent gold discoveries in Washington Terri-

Parties now forming.

tory, known as the Salmon river gold mines, which are now attracting so much attention throughout the country, and already drawing great numbers to them from California, Oregon, and Pike's Peak.

Part of appropriation asked for Dakota company to explore Black hills.

And further, that our own people in Southern Dakota, have long contemplated an expedition westward, to a country as yet but little known except by the information gained from a few traders, trappers, and friendly Indians, who have invariably given it the brightest description, representing it as abounding in coal, iron, and gold. The presence of this latter mineral has been fully confirmed by Lieut. Warren, U. S. topographical engineer, in his report of 1857, of the Black hills. And further, your memorialists would represent that there is unity of action between those parties in Minnesota, who contemplate an expedition to the Salmon river gold mines, and the parties in Southern Dakota, who wish to explore the Black hills. That those parties from Minnesota go via Southern Dakota to the Black hills, from thence bearing northward through the Crow country, to Lieut. Mullen's wagon road pass, through the Rocky mountains and into the valleys of Snake and Salmon river. That parties from Southern Dakota wish to join and accompany them to the Black hills, and there make a satisfactory exploration of the country, of so much interest to every Dakotian, and gain that knowledge, by personal observation, so long desired, excited by the narrative of every returned adventurer. Your memorialists would most earnestly ask that, inasmuch as an expedition of this character must necessarily involve a great expense to all parties engaged in it, that a portion of the recent appropriation made by congress to assist emigrants to the Pacific, be set apart for the use of this expedition. And your memorialists, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Approved April 21, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CHAPTER 105.

JOINT MEMORIAL AND RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO A GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF THE TERRITORY.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled.

Your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the Territory of Dakota, respectfully represent, that a geological survey should be made without delay. It is well known that extensive coal-fields underlay large portions of our Dakota plains and valleys, in places where timber is too scarce to admit of settlement, unless coal be procured for fuel. There are also valuable salt springs and salt lakes; and recent discoveries, by the American Fur Company, furnishes valuable proof that gold exists in dust and quartz, at the eastern base of the Black hills, in sufficient quantities to attract the attention of our government.

Geological survey necessary for what purpose.

Your memorialists believe that the time has arrived in our national affairs when the nation should turn her eyes for gold north of latitude $36^{\circ} 30'$, and that a geological survey, by demonstrating the mineral wealth of this territory, would facilitate the settlement and sale of the public lands, by an industrious population, who would speedily develop the hidden resources of the North-West, which has hitherto been regarded as a barren waste. We, therefore, pray your honorable body to make a reasonable appropriation for a geological survey of this territory.

Approved April 26, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CHAPTER 106.

A MEMORIAL RELATIVE TO THE DIRECT TAX.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled.

Tax to be retained from appropriation.

Your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the Territory of Dakota, respectfully request you to take out of the appropriation made by congress for legislative purposes for the Territory of Dakota, for the year ending June 30, 1862, the amount of tax due the United States government, from the Territory of Dakota, and your memorialists will ever pray, &c.

Approved May 13, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CHAPTER 107.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Resolved by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Dakota:

Enacting clause.

1. That hereafter the style of the heading of all laws of this territory shall be: "Be it enacted by the legislative assembly of the Territory of Dakota."

Take effect, when.

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately on its passage by the two houses.

Approved March 29, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CHAPTER 108.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS RELATIVE TO THE REBELLION.

Be [it] resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota :

1. That the rebellion existing in several of the states is without any adequate or just cause ; that it was devised, organized, and armed for the disruption of the Union, the destruction of the government, and the abridgment or overthrow of the liberties of the people. Cause of rebellion.

2. That the present war is prosecuted for the integrity of the union, the preservation of the constitution, and the supremacy of the government ; and that the plain, simple, stern alternative is now presented to the people of crushing out treason, or yielding the national existence. Prosecution of the war.

3. That we fully indorse the policy of the administration in every particular ; that we have the utmost confidence in the wisdom, patriotism, and ability of the president and his constitutional advisers, and that as the great work of their administration is the suppression of the rebellion and the salvation of the country, that the administration deserves and ought to receive the cordial and earnest support of every true and patriotic citizen. President and advisers sustained.

4. That the people demand and have a right to expect in this extraordinary emergency, a system of most rigid economy and accountability in the public expenditures, in all departments of the national and territorial governments. Economy recommended.

5. That this territorial administration, by the faithful discharge of their duties in raising for the service of the general government all the troops required by the secretary of war, have placed the territory among the foremost of the territories of the Union, and are entitled to receive the highest commendation from every citizen. Acts of territorial officers commended.

6. That we tender to all those noble patriots, whether native or foreign born, who are now battling for the maintenance of the constitution of the United States, the supremacy of the laws, and the preservation of the Union, our heartfelt thanks for their patriotic sacrifices. May their services ever be remembered only to be honored, and we wish them a happy and speedy Thanks to soldiers.

return to their homes of peace, with the glorious satisfaction of having preserved us an undivided people, with the constitution of the United States as the supreme law of the nation.

Of recent battles.

7. That the spontaneous voice of true American gratitude cannot but exult over the success of our arms at the recent battles of Fort Henry, Fort Donelson, and Pittsburg landing; and that we believe the conduct of our forces in those battles will be a lasting honor to them, as well as the American nation, and a proof to the latest time of true American valor.

Resolutions forwarded to president.

8. That the secretary of the territory be requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to the president of the United States.

Approved May 14, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CHAPTER 109.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota :

Auditor to do what.

That the territorial auditor be and he is hereby authorized to audit all military claims and demands against the territory.

Approved May 15, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CHAPTER 110.

RELATING TO THE PRINTING OF THE LAWS AND JOURNALS
OF THE FIRST SESSION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE YEAR 1862.

Be it resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota :

1. That the secretary of the territory be and is hereby requested to procure thirteen hundred printed copies of the laws, memorials, and resolutions passed at this session of the legislative assembly, to be bound as follows: nine hundred copies in law sheep, and four hundred in heavy paper covers; also, two hundred and fifty copies of the journals of each house, to be bound as follows: fifty copies in law sheep, and the remainder in substantial paper covers — both books to be properly indexed.

Of the numbers
and style of laws
and journals.

2. That the printed volume of laws aforesaid shall be prefaced by the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States, and the Organic Act of Dakota Territory.

Preliminary
chapters.

3. That, in comparing and arranging the copies of the laws for publication, the secretary of the territory shall be and is hereby authorized to make such corrections in the orthography, grammatical construction, and punctuation of the said copies as he shall deem necessary to complete the sense of the laws: *Provided*, That when words and clauses are inserted, such change shall be denoted by inclosing said words and clauses in brackets.

Necessary cor-
rections al-
lowed.

Approved May 14, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CHAPTER 111.

[RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO EXTRA PAY OF CLERKS OF THE
LEGISLATURE.]

Be it resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota:

Extra allow-
ance to James
Tufts and J. R.
Hanson.

SECTION 1. That there shall be allowed James Tufts, secretary of the council, and J. R. Hanson, chief clerk of the house of representatives, for forty days' extra service in making up the final record of their respective houses, one hundred and twenty dollars each, in full compensation.

Same to Wil-
liam Goodfellow.

SECT. 2. That there is due William Goodfellow, for sixty days' services rendered as the engrossing and enrolling clerk of the council, two hundred and forty dollars.

Same to Daniel
Gifford.

SECT. 3. That there is due Daniel Gifford, for sixty days' services rendered as the engrossing clerk of the house of representatives, one hundred and eighty dollars.

Auditor to
issue warrants

SECT. 4. The territorial auditor is hereby instructed to issue territorial warrants to each of the above-named individuals, to the amount allowed by this resolution.

Approved May 15, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*

CHAPTER 112.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Resolved, by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Dakota:

Committee to
report sale.

That a joint committee of three from the council, and three from the house of representatives, be appointed to select a territorial seal for the Territory of Dakota, and to agree upon an appropriate device and motto for the same. And that said committee report without delay.

Approved April 30, 1862.

W. JAYNE, *Governor.*