

NUMBER 6.

A MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS FOR AN APPROPRIATION OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) TO AID IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A LEVEE AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER OPPOSITE SAINT PAUL, IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

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

Your memorialists, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, respectfully represent to your honorable body, that a large portion of the land which was formerly the bed of the Mississippi river, opposite the city of Saint Paul, in the State of Minnesota, is low and subject to be overflowed at stages of high water of said river.

That said low land is fast settling up by actual residents belonging to the industrial class, who have built thereon dwelling houses, stores, school houses, &c., in fact all their worldly possessions are there.

That in June of last year (1880) the Mississippi river overflowed said land to a depth of two (2) feet, surrounding and flooding the dwelling houses and other buildings, causing great distress and injury to persons and property, and from present indications there is great probability of a like calamity happening this year, to prevent which, and to protect in the future the lives, health and property of this meritorious class of citizens, your memorialists respectfully ask for an appropriation of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the construction of a levee on the west bank of the Mississippi river, opposite the city of St. Paul, which will aid the improvement of the navigation of said river, and prevent the future overflow by high water of the homes of these now defenceless settlers.

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NUMBER 7.

A JOINT RESOLUTION ASKING CONGRESS TO APPROPRIATE MONEY TO IMPROVE THE HARBOR AT DULUTH.

WHEREAS, Duluth furnishes the only harbor of refuge now accessible within eighty miles of the head of Lake Superior, or within more than two hundred miles on the north shore thereof.

AND WHEREAS, The improvement of Grand Marais as a harbor of refuge has been commenced but is still incomplete.