

ACTS
OF
THE LEGISLATURE
OF THE
STATE OF MICHIGAN,

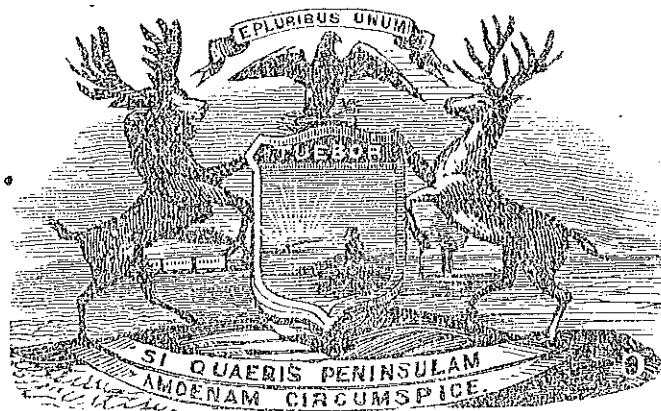
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PASSED AT THE

REGULAR SESSION OF 1865,

WITH AN APPENDIX,

Containing Certified Statements of Boards of Supervisors, relative to the Erection
of New Townships; also, State Treasurer's Annual Report
for the Year 1864.



BY AUTHORITY.

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JOHN A. KERR & CO., PRINTERS TO THE STATE.
1865.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution to our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Approved March 15, 1865.

[No. 25.]

JOINT RESOLUTION for the relief of the township board of the township of Rush, in the county of Shiawassee.

Whereas, In the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four, the qualified electors of the township of Rush, in the county of Shiawassee, voted that said town should pay a bond of one hundred dollars to each man drafted from said township, for the purpose of filling the quota of said township; that pursuant to said vote the township board issued two bonds, one to John Shuster, and the other to John Henderson, for the sum of one hundred dollars each; therefore

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the above mentioned bonds, issued by the township of Rush, to John Shuster and John Henderson, for the sum of one hundred dollars each, are hereby declared legal and valid.

This joint resolution shall take immediate effect.

Approved March 15, 1865.

[No. 26.]

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section one, article seven, of the constitution of Michigan, in relation to the qualification of electors.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the following amendment to the constitution of this State, be and the same is hereby proposed, that is to say:

ARTICLE VII.

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son voting against it, the words "amendment as to soldiers' voting, no;" the ballots in all respects shall be canvassed as the votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor are required to be canvassed.

Approved March 15, 1865.

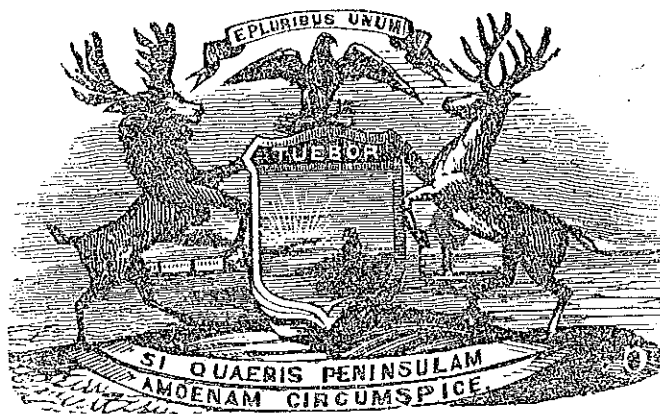
[No. 27.]

JOINT RESOLUTION providing for the payment of the claim of Willam Beard and others, for the improvement of the sand flats of the Muskegon river.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the claim of William Beard, and other parties interested, is hereby referred to the board of State auditors, to examine, audit and allow, at such an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, as they may find justly and equitably due and owing to them for work done and money expended in the improvement of navigation over the sand flats of the Muskegon river, less the amount which may have been paid to any of such parties in swamp lands, under the provisions of joint resolution number eight, of session laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four; to such allowance shall be added interest from the date of acceptance of the work by the Governor to the date of such allowance by the board. And it shall also be the duty of said board to examine into the state of the internal improvement fund, and determine the amount of the said fund which remains unappropriated. And the Auditor General is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant or warrants on the State Treasurer, for such sums as may be found unappropriated as aforesaid, provided it does not exceed the amount of allowance by said board, and the Treasurer shall pay the same from the said fund; the portion remaining unpaid, if any, shall be paid from tolls to be collected from property passing through said improvement, in the manner now provided, or which may hereafter be provided by law, as follows, viz:

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AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Adopted by the Legislature of Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-five, and
Ratified by the People November Sixth, Eighteen Hundred
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