

No. 4.

RESOLUTION

Relative to building a bridge over the Ohio river.

WHEREAS, Application has been made to congress of the United States, for an appropriation of money to aid in the erection of a bridge across the Ohio river at Wheeling, Va., the construction of which might materially obstruct the free use and navigation of said river above that point, and injuriously affect the commerce of the city of Pittsburg, and all that district of Pennsylvania laying west of the Allegheny mountains, by arresting the building of iron war steamers and other vessels, of the great western manufacturing and commercial emporium of this state, by placing a barrier to their passage to the gulf of Mexico, besides seriously interfering with the free navigation of the Ohio river by steamboats and other vessels, engaged in the trade of the western and southern states during high stages of water : Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our representatives requested to vote against any appropriation by the national legislature to the object above stated, and oppose every proposition for the erection of a bridge at Wheeling, Va., or at any other point on the Ohio river, or any project that would result in increasing the obstacles already existing, to the free navigation and use of that great thoroughfare of this commonwealth.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to each member of the Pennsylvania delegation in congress.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

No. 5.

RESOLUTION

Relative to the annual reports of the heads of departments.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the governor be and is hereby authorized and required to transmit to the senate or house of representatives, the annual reports of the canal commissioners, state treasurer, auditor general, surveyor general, adjutant