Mr. Dunnell introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on military affairs be requested to enquire into the expediency of recommending the appropriation of a sum of money not exceeding five hundred dollars to be used by the Governor in aiding returned and invalid soldiers or officers who may need medical aid, and who may be unable to meet the necessary expense.

Mr. Kemp introduced
H. F. No. 79, A bill for an act to amend section 11, chapter 61 of the general statutes, revision of 1866, relative to recording marriage certificates,

Which had its first reading, and was referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker announced Messrs. Dunnell, Seboski, Johnson, Savage and Davis as the special committee to whom should be referred the petition relative to a prohibitory liquor law.

Messrs. Dunnell and Davis asked to be excused from serving on said committee, which upon motion of Mr. Wheaton was granted.

The Speaker then announced Mr. Buck as a member of said committee in place of Mr. Dunnell, and Mr. Wheaton in place of Mr. Davis.

The Speaker announced that he had received the following communication from his Excellency, the Governor:

STATE OF MINNESOTA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Saint Paul, February 4, 1867.

Hon. J. Q. Farmer, Speaker of the House of Representatives, St. Paul, Minnesota:

DEAR SIR:—A have this day approved and signed—

H. F. No. 25, An act to legalize the doings of the town of Bridgewater, county of Rice, June 9th, 1866, for raising money to rebuild bridges over the Cannon River, in the village of Dundas, in said town of Bridgewater,

H. F. No. 26, An act to legalize the doings of the town of Northfield, county of Rice, in raising money, May, 8, 1866, for rebuilding a bridge over the Cannon River, in the village of Northfield, Rice county, aforesaid,

H. F. No. —, Ratification of amendment to United States constitution.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
WM. R. MARSHALL,
Governor of Minnesota.

The Speaker announced that the following certificates had been issued:

In pursuance of law and a resolution adopted by the Senate and concurred in by the House of Representatives, the two houses com-