

CHEROKEE NEUTRAL LANDS.

RESOLUTION

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF KANSAS,

PRAYING

The passage of Senate bill No. 489, giving right of pre-emption to settlers on the Cherokee neutral lands in Kansas.

JANUARY 25, 1867.—Referred to the Committee on Public Lands and ordered to be printed.

Whereas a bill has been introduced into the United States Senate, numbered 489, and entitled "A bill to provide for giving the right of pre-emption to settlers on the Cherokee neutral lands in Kansas, and for other purposes;" and whereas we regard the provisions of the treaty under which those lands were ceded to the United States not only indefinite, but of such a nature that without additional legislation great injustice will be done to numerous settlers who have located there for the purpose of securing permanent homes and developing the resources of the soil; and whereas we are of the opinion that such an act is of the greatest importance, not only in the avoidance of much trouble among the settlers, but in promoting the material interest of the State and general government: Therefore,

Resolved by the senate, (the house concurring,) That on behalf of ten thousand settlers on those lands, and for the reasons above set forth, we respectfully memorialize Congress that it do pass said Senate bill No. 489.

Resolved, That the secretary of state be, and he is hereby, instructed to forward to our senators and representative in Congress, and to the presiding officers of each house in Congress, each a certified copy of this resolution.

Adopted by the senate January 16, 1867.

ALEX. R. BANKS,
Secretary of the Senate.

Concurred in by the house of representatives January 17, 1867.

JOHN S. MORTON,
Chief Clerk.

I, R. A. Barker, secretary of state, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original on file in my office.

In testimony whereof, I have subscribed my name and fixed the great seal of the State this 17th day of January, A. D. 1867.

SEAL.]

R. A. BARKER,
Secretary of State.