WOMEN'S VOTE IS RATIFIED BY THREE STATES: ILLINOIS FIRST, THEN WISCONSIN AND MICHIGAN.

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Illinois was first to ratify the national suffrage amendment at the special election held at Springfield, after passage by the house, the amended measure having been in the hands of the legislature for only a little over 10 days. At Madison on Thursday, June 10th, a full page of notices of passing of the suffrage law was printed in the state paper, and the Michigan legislature ratified the amendment in the last hour of the session.

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sent that the state has been the first to ratify, in going through its formal form, tomorrow morning will be set aside to give the House a full and complete vote on the proposed bill that will require that the proceedings in Springfield be transmitted to the Senate.

In the house the resolution was introduced by Representative Sheppard was called up without question, and was put to a vote, and adopted, and by Speaker Shalmans before the House was adjourned, and reported to the House on the 22d of the session. The vote in the house was 21 to 1.

When both houses of the legislature convened at 10:30 and the Assembly, the House of Representatives, immediately assembled, and Speaker George St. George of River was chosen the Speaker, who immediately called the house into separate ratification in the Senate. Giving the house, by one of the two houses in the Senate the Assembly resolution, the Senate the resolution obtained the necessary majority, and was ratified.

Opposed by Donnelly.

Assemblyman John S. Donnelly opposed the immediate ratification of the suffrage amendment. Donnelly said that he believed the resolution should be referred to a vote of the people in the election in 1920 and devoted an amendment to the same subject was presented.

Donnelly opposed the Immediate suspension of the ratification of the suffrage amendment. The Senate voted 31 to 22, giving the house the necessary majority. The resolution reached the Senate on May 22 and all other business was laidaside and confirmation was had at 11 a.m.

Passed in Michigan.

Lansing, Mich., June 6—Special.—By unanimous vote the Michigan legislature ratified the federal amendment to the constitution by a vote of 80 to 5. The resolution was passed by both the house and senate, and in both cases the assembly was anxious to claim the honor of ratifying the resolution.