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STATE OF MAINE,

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13TH LEGISLATURE.	No. 8.	House or Reps.
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STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Repre-2 sentatives, in Legislature assembled, two thirds 3 of both Houses concurring, That the following 4 amendment to the Constitution be proposed; 5 viz.: That, whenever, in any district for the 6 choice of Representative to the State Legisla-7 ture, in which any town or plantation may be 8 classed with any other town or towns or planta-9 tion or plantations, no person shall have a major-10 ity of the votes given, on any trial for the choice 11 of such Representative, the two persons, having 12 the highest number of votes at said first balloting, 13 shall be the only constitutional candidates, to be 14 voted for at subsequent ballotings. And, if no 15 two persons shall each have a higher number 16 than any other person, then as many shall be 17 candidates, as shall have a number, as high as 18 either of the two highest. And in calling all 19 subsequent meetings for said purpose, it shall be 20 the duty of the Selectmen and Assessors to insert, 21 in their warrants, the names of the constitutional 22 candidates to be voted for.

Resolved, That the Selectmen of the several 2 towns and Assessors of the several plantations 3 are hereby directed, in the manner prescribed by 3 law, to notify the Inhabitants thereof to give in, 4 at their annual meetings in September next, their 5 votes upon the question, whether said amend-6 ment shall be made.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State cause 2 copies of these Resolves to be forwarded to the 3 Selectmen of the several towns and the Assessors 4 of the several plantations, with proper blank 5 forms of returns of votes on said question of 6 amendment.

Resolved, That said Selectmen and Assessors 2 make return of the votes given upon said question, 3 to the Secretary of State, in the same time and 4 manner, in which the votes given for Governor 5 are to be returned, and said returns shall be laid 6 before the next Legislature.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, January 26, 1833.

ORDERED, That three hundred copies of the foregoing Bill be printed for the use of the Legislature.

[Extract from the Journal.]

Attest:

ASAPH R. NICHOLS, Clerk.