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THE LEGISLATURE,

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE.

NO. 13.

SENATE.

The Joint Special Committee, to whom was referred, "so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the United States Bank," having had the same under consideration, ask leave to Report the following Preamble and Resolutions, which are respectfully submitted

CHARLES GREENE, Chairman.

STATE OF MAINE.

PREAMBLE AND RESOLVES IN RELATION TO THE UNITED STATES BANK.

WHEREAS, it is highly important in a Government like ours, that the National Executive and Congress should be correctly informed of the opinions and wishes of the people of the several States, in regard to the policy and measures of the National Administration, on matters of great and general interest; and whereas, in the recent popular elections in this State, the policy and measures of the National Administration and the Executive, in relation to the United States Bank, were clearly and plainly submitted to the People, and by them unequivocally sanctioned and triumphantly sustained—Therefore,

Resolved, That this Legislature fully approve of the Preamble and Resolutions of the last Legislature of this State, in regard to the United States Bank, and the measures of the National Administration in relation thereto; and entertain the opinions therein expressed, that said Bank ought not to be rechartered, and that the removal of the Public Deposits therefrom, was an act strictly in accordance with the Constitution, and one that the public interest required.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Legislature, no National Bank should be established in our Government; inasmuch as experience has demonstrated, that so powerful a monied Institution cannot be sufficiently limited and guarded by Legislative enactments, and is dangerous to the liberty and stability of our Republican Institutions.

AND WHEREAS, in consequence of the measures adopted by the President for the removal of the Public Deposits from the United States Bank, the Senate of the United States was induced to pass a Resolution on the twenty-eighth day of March last, condemning the President as guilty of violating the Constitution and Laws, in his Executive proceedings in relation to the public Revenue, the passage of which Resolution was unauthorized by the Constitution and repugnant to its express provisions—Therefore,

Resolved, That the Senators of this State in Congress be instructed to use their utmost endeavors to cause said Resolution to be expunged from the Journal of the Senate.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit a copy of this Preamble and these Resolves to the President of the United States, President of the Senate, and to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

STATE OF MAINE.

In Senate, February 4th, 1835.

ORDERED, That three hundred copies of the foregoing Preamble and Resolves be printed for the use of the Legislature.

[Extract from Journal.]

Attest, WILLIAM TRAFTON, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 5, 1835.

ORDERED, That an additional number of three hundred copies of the Preamble and Resolves in relation to the United States Bank, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

[Extract from Journal.]

Attest, WILLIAM TRAFTON, Secretary.