

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

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No. 6.]

[SENATE.

STATE OF MAINE.



THE joint select committee, to whom was referred so much of the governor's message as relates to the introduction of slavery into our Mexican territory, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to

REPORT

the accompanying resolves, which are herewith submitted.

JAMES HOBBS, JR., *Chairman.*

June 1, 1848.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVES in relation to the introduction and extension of slavery in newly acquired territory.

Resolved, That we hereby declare, for ourselves and
2 in behalf of the people of this state, our uncompromising
3 opposition to the extension of slavery into any
4 territory of the United States which is now free.

Resolved, That in organizing governments for New
2 Mexico and California, the introduction and existence
3 of slavery in those territories, should be positively prohibited
4 by act of congress.

Resolved, That our senators in congress are hereby
2 instructed and our representatives requested, to vote
3 against any act establishing governments for said territories,
4 that does not contain *an express prohibition of*
5 *slavery.*

Resolved, That the governor be requested to forward
2 copies of the foregoing resolutions to each of our
3 senators and representatives in congress, and to each
4 of the governors of the several states of the Union.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, June 1, 1849.

ORDERED, That 500 copies of the foregoing report, together with the accompanying resolves, be printed for the use of the legislature, and that 500 additional copies thereof be printed for the use of the house.

DANIEL T. PIKE, *Secretary.*