

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

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DURING ITS SESSION

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No. 5.]

[HOUSE.

STATE OF MAINE.

AMENDMENT proposed by Mr. SEWALL, of Oldtown,
to the resolves introduced by Mr. CARTER, of Portland.

Amend by striking out all after the word “resolved,”
in the first line, and insert

That our senators in congress be instructed and our
2 representatives requested, to use their best efforts to
3 secure the unconditional admission of California into
4 the Union as a state, as a distinct measure, discon-
5 nected from any and all other propositions whatever.

And whereas, former legislatures have expressed the
2 decided and inflexible opposition of Maine to the
3 extension of slavery into territory now free—and
4 whereas, the sentiment of the people of the state
5 remains unchanged upon that subject,—therefore,

6 *Resolved*, “In view of these considerations, we
7 deem further legislative action upon this exciting sub-
8 ject as unnecessary,” and Maine expects her senators
9 and representatives in congress to sustain the princi-
10 ples expressed in the resolutions of eighteen hundred
11 and forty-nine.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to forward
2 copies of the foregoing resolves to each of the sena-
3 tors and representatives of this state, in congress.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 23, 1850.

ORDERED, That 500 copies of the foregoing amendment proposed by Mr. Sewall to the resolves introduced by Mr. Carter, respecting the admission of California, &c., be printed for the use of the House.

EDMUND W. FLAGG, *Clerk.*