

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

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HOUSE.]

[No. 26.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVES in favor of stipulated arbitration as a
substitute for war.

Resolved, That wars of aggression and conquest,
2 and appeals to arms by civilized nations for the settle-
3 ment of national disputes are, of all the remaining
4 practices of early and barbarous ages, among the
5 most inhuman and unchristian ; that they are barriers
6 to the intellectual, social and moral development of
7 the human race, and at war with man's true mission
8 and high destiny ; and that duty to our institutions,
9 our country and age requires that every suitable effort
10 be made by our people, and by our state and national
11 governments, to advance so great and desirable an end
12 as universal peace between the nations of the earth.

Resolved, That to give effect, so far as we, the
2 Senate and House of Representatives of the State of
3 Maine, are able, to the principles, recommendations
4 and conclusions of the committee on foreign rela-
5 tions, adopted by said committee in a recent report,
6 made to the Senate of the United States, on this sub-
7 ject, the senators and representatives in congress from
8 this state be, and hereby are, requested to use all
9 proper and appropriate influence to secure, in treaties
10 hereafter to be made with other nations, a provision
11 for the settlement, by arbitration, of such national
12 controversies as cannot be amicably adjusted by the
13 parties to such treaties.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to for-
2 ward a copy of these resolves to each of our senators
3 and representatives in congress, and to the president
4 of the United States.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 18, 1853. }

ORDERED, That 350 copies of the foregoing resolutions, reported by a joint select committee, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

A. B. FARWELL. *Clerk.*