

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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at such time or times as the county commissioners may agree upon, *provided*, the whole sum shall be paid within ten years, and the said treasurer is hereby authorized to issue his scrip as county treasurer therefor, with coupons for interest attached, payable in manner aforesaid.

Approved March 4, 1885.

Chapter 211.

Resolves in favor of arbitration and peace.

Peace, establishment of.

Whereas, It is the duty of all nations to avoid by every honorable means the burden and curse of war, and to establish peace upon the broadest and most permanent basis possible, and,

Arbitration.

Whereas, It seems to be the settled policy of the United States government to insist on the insertions in its treaties with foreign governments, a stipulation that controversies arising under the terms of such treaties on the failure of negotiations shall be referred to umpires, mutually satisfactory, whose decision shall be final and authoritative, a policy which has been already adopted by several foreign governments.

Treaties.

Resolved, That the senate of the United States should refuse to ratify any treaty which omits such a stipulation.

Court of arbitration, in favor of.

Resolved, That in order to render the principle of arbitration permanently practical, a standing high court of arbitration composed of persons chosen by each covenanting nation, on account of their peculiar fitness, ought to be constituted, to which should be referred for consideration and settlement, those questions which have hitherto too often been left to the arbitrament of war.

International congress to adjust differences.

Resolved, That a convention or congress of representatives from the nations, to adjust differences of international laws and usage, ought by mutual agreement to be called at some place most suitable and convenient, which might also agree upon the general character and powers of the aforesaid court of arbitration.

Act to provide for convention, endorsed.

Resolved, That the bill introduced into the national house of representatives, March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, by the Hon. I. Newton Evans, of Tennessee, which pro-

vided for the calling of such a convention at Washington, by the United States government, meets with our approval, and we would hereby respectfully memorialize and petition the congress of the United States to pass said bill so that it may speedily become a law.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, properly prepared and signed, be forwarded to each of the two houses of congress, and also to each senator and representative now in congress from the State of Maine.

Approved March 4, 1885.

Chapter 212.

Resolves relative to the sale of Kennebec Arsenal at Augusta.

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That our senators and representatives in congress are hereby requested to use all honorable means to discourage and prevent the sale of the Kennebec Arsenal at Augusta, Maine.

Kennebec
Arsenal, protest
against sale of

Resolved, That a copy of these resolves be forwarded by the secretary of state to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

Members of
congress to be
furnished copy of
resolves.

Approved March 4, 1885.

Chapter 213.

Resolve in aid of dredging and building breakwater at head of Damariscotta Lake.

Resolved, That the sum of four hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of the treasury, and expended under the direction of the county commissioners of Lincoln county, to aid in dredging and building a breakwater at the entrance of the Damariscotta river into the head of Damariscotta lake, in the town of Jefferson, in said county, *provided*, that there be raised in said town, and surrounding towns, a sum which, with said four hundred dollars, shall be sufficient to complete said dredging and breakwater to the satisfaction of the said county commissioners.

Damariscotta
lake, in favor of
dredging.

Approved March 4, 1885.