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Chapter 28.

CHAP. 28

Resolve Appropriating Money to Reimburse Herbert W. Stevens for Money Expended while Chief Fire Warden, in Extinguishing a Fire.

Resolved, That there be, and hereby is, appropriated the sum of one hundred eight dollars and thirty-six cents to be paid to Herbert W. Stevens, of Portage, in Aroostook county, as reimbursement for money expended and paid by him while chief fire warden, in extinguishing a fire in township fourteen, range six, W. E. L. S., during June, nineteen hundred nine.

Reimburs-
ing Herbert
W. Stevens,
for money
expended.

Approved March 5, 1915.

Chapter 29.

Resolve Memorializing Congress in the Interest of Universal Peace.

Contemplating with horror the terrible and seemingly unnecessary destruction of life and property now going on in a large part of Europe, and realizing, as much as it can be realized by a people at peace with all the world, the deplorable condition in which the present war will leave all the countries engaged, and in a lesser degree all the nations of the world, and contemplating also the fact that popular ideals of national honor and dignity are such that really trifling matters may precipitate any two nations or the whole world in deadly conflict, with its consequent destruction of human life and of the accumulation of works of art, science and labor that the centuries have produced for improving the conditions of mankind, we, the Senate and House of Representatives of Maine, in Legislature assembled, would respectfully memorialize Congress as follows:

That the present method of settling international questions and disputes by the slaughter of the citizens of the contending nations is absolutely wrong in principle, brutal in its conception, a relic of barbarism brought to a state of scientific perfection, unchristian, uncivilized, inhuman, and destructive of everything that makes for human happiness. At the present stage of the world's history no armed warfare except in self-defense is justifiable. It settles no question except that of the superiority of military and naval force. All the disputes at issue have to be settled after the war is over. None of the so-called "civilized" countries of the world allow any of its citizens to settle personal grievances with revolver or dirk. No towns or districts of a civilized state are fortified against the encroachments of each other, and there are no armed conflicts between them to deter-