2d Session.

SLAVERY.

RESOLUTIONS

OF THE

LEGISLATURE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE,

RELATIVE TO

The introduction of slavery into the Territories of New Mexico and California.

> JANUARY 22, 1849. Laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened, That we are in favor of the passage of a law by Congress forever prohibiting slavery in New Mexico and California, and in all other territories now acquired or hereafter to be acquired by the United States, in which slavery does not exist at the time of such acquisition.

Resolved, That events have recently occurred, and are now transpiring at the seat of the general government and elsewhere, which seem to make necessary a renewed expression of our views upon the subject.

Therefore resolved, That our senators be instructed, and our representatives requested, to urge the passage of such a law in relation to New Mexico and California; and that we approve, as we have always heretofore done, of all their votes already given in favor of such a law, or in favor of the principle of the same.

Resolved, That the secretary of State be directed to forward a copy of the foregoing resolutions to each of our senators and representatives in

Congress.

SAMUEL H. AYER, Speaker of the House of Representatives. FREDERICK VOSE, President of the Senate pro tem.

Approved January 4, 1849.

JARED W. WILLIAMS, Governor.

A true copy—attest:

THOMAS P. TREADWELL, Secretary of State.