

America, with a loss of her blood and treasure, our cities sacked and burnt, our towns and villages laid in ruins, our streets drenched in crimson gore, with war pestilence and famine, fire and sword, rapine and murder, ruin and desolation to our land, in which a war of extermination, and a day of carnage must ensue, in which human blood must flow, as from the slaughter of the Jews, "four miles to the sea," that would be revolting to nature, and shocking to humanity, while neither the massacre of St. Domingo, nor the internal wars of Mexico, would be an index to the volume of ours.

Resolved, That we will oppose insurrection at home and invasion from abroad against all the growling, howling, yelping blood hounds of Secession, and roaring lions of John Bull, seeking whom they may devour. We will support the Constitution and obey the Laws, as our fathers made them who sought, died and died to establish them; and we will, to the last extremity of our lives, keep inviolate, protect and defend, or call upon the mountains to hide us in our graves, open at our feet, and that live or die, survive or perish, the Constitution and the Union we will defend with our lives, and die in obedience to our country's laws; that our countrymen may bear witness for us that we have lived and died like true loyal men, the devoted sons of our brave and noble sires. To these sentiments we subscribe our names as boldly as did John Hancock to the Declaration of Independence, that the enemies of the country may not mistake our name. For our philanthropy, magnanimity, patriotism, zeal and love of country, and freemen's rights, with even handed justice, we claim of every civilized nation, their respect and confidence, edged around with the golden opinions of the people.

Resolved, That Secession is a dangerous experiment, and must eventually fail.

Resolved, That to pull down the temple of liberty, the Secessionists have dethroned reason and gotten drunk on blood to vomit crime.

Resolved, That we are opposed to a guerilla warfare and chapparel fight, and ask only an open field, a fair fight, and a bold antagonist.

Resolved, That we neither justify Northern thieves nor Southern rebels, but desire to bury them in one common political grave forever.

Resolved, That the native pride we cherish for our country, will never allow us to yield our conviction of right and duty to it.

Resolved, That our laws be bounded by the equator of justice, and no latitude be given to him who crosses the line.

Which were read the first time, and

Referred to the committee on Federal Relations.