

WOODWORTH'S PLANING MACHINE, AND PARKER'S RE-
ACTING WATER-WHEEL.

RESOLUTION

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF MAINE,

ADVERSE TO

The extension of Woodworth's patent, and Parker's patent.

APRIL 12, 1852.

Referred to the Committee on Patents, and ordered to be printed.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE adverse to extension of patents of Woodworth's planing-machine and Parker's reacting water-wheel.

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this legislature, the sentiments of the people of the State are opposed to the passage of any law by Congress, extending the time of any patent heretofore granted to William Woodworth for a planing-machine, or to his personal representatives or assigns; and against any law sanctioning or giving any force or validity to the re-issue of any such patent in eighteen hundred and forty-five, founded upon amended specifications; and against any like legislation, extending the time of the patent for Parker's reacting water-wheel; and against any law which gives to the judgment of any court, in any personal action relating to patents, or otherwise, a conclusive effect upon persons who are not parties and who have no opportunity to contest the merits of any such action.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing resolutions to each of the senators and representatives in Congress from this State.

In the House of Representatives, March 29, 1852.—Read and passed.

G. P. SEWALL, *Speaker*.

In Senate, March 29, 1852.—Read and passed.

SHELDON HOBBS,

President, pro tem.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Augusta, March 29, 1852.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original deposited in this office.

JOHN G. LAWYER,
Secretary of State.

