SOLDIERS OF THE WAR OF 1812.

RESOLUTIONS

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF TENNESSEE,

ASKING

Legislation for the benefit of the soldiers of the war of 1812.

FEBRUARY 11, 1860.—Laid upon the table and ordered to be printed.

Whereas among the soldiers of the war of 1812, who still survive, many are in indigent circumstances, and unable from age and infirmity to earn a living; and whereas it is just principle in a free government that those who defend the country in a great and perilous struggle should not only be fairly compensated, but liberally rewarded,

and especially preserved from want: Therefore-

Resolved by the general assembly of the State of Tennessee, That our senators and representatives in Congress be, and they are hereby, most respectfully requested and urged to use their aid and influence in the passage of a law appropriating to each soldier of the war of 1812 with Great Britain, and all the Indian wars of that date, who served as long as three months, six hundred and forty acres of land, to be located in any part of the public domain not otherwise appropriated, or a full pay pension of five years instead thereof, at the option of the soldier.

Resolved, That the benefits of such law should apply to the widow and minor children of such soldiers who still survive, in such propor-

tion as a sound discretion may dictate.

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble and resolutions be forwarded by the governor to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.

W. C. WHITTHORNE, Speaker of the House of Representatives. TAZ. W. NEWMAN, Speaker of the Senate.

Adopted November 2, 1859.

A true copy.

J. E. R. RAY, Secretary of State.

Secretary of State's Office, Nashville, December 6, 1859.

Sir: I am instructed by the governor of Tennessee to forward to you the foregoing preamble and resolutions passed by the general assembly of said State.

Very respectfully,

J. E. R. RAY, Secretary of State.