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[By Mr ORR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations.]

RESOLUTIONS

In relation the seizure of the Confederate war-steamer Florida by
the United States steam-sloop Wachusett, in the bay of Bahia,
Brazil.

- 1 1. Resolved, That the seizure of the Confederate war-steamer
- 2 Florida by the United States steam-sloop Wachusett, in the
- 3 bay of Bahia, on the 7th of October last, was a flagrant outrage
- 4 upon the territorial sovereignty of Brazil-violative of the rights
- 5 of this Government in neutral waters, in disregard of the law of
- 6 nations, and therefore a wrong done to every civilized maratime
- 7 power.
- 1 2. Resolved, That it was the duty of Brazil, under the law of
- 2 nations, to protect the property of the Confederate States whilst
- s within its territory, against the hostile acts of every power;
- 4 and having failed to give such protection, that that Government
- 5 is bound to enforce the restitution, in statu quo of the steamer
- 6 Florida, by authorities of the United, to the authorities of the
- 7 Confederate States, in the bay of Bahia, where it was unlawfully
- 8 captured.

- 1 3. Resolved, That the President of the Confederate States be
- 2 requested to have communicated, to all our commissioners abroad,
- 3 a full statement of the illegal seizure and capture of the Florida,
- 4 together with the opinions of this Government on the outrage;
- 5 and that said commissioners be instructed to bring the same to
- 6 the attention of the Governments of Europe in which they re-

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