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RESOLUTIONS

Of Forsberg's Brigade, Wharton's Division.

At a meeting of Forsberg's Brigade, Wharton's Division, Army of the Valley, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we thus meet to pledge anew our devotion to our country, and our determination to spare no efforts nor exertions for the maintenance of this struggle for independence; a struggle in which we cheerfully and readily cast our lots, in its very commencement, determined to contest until the bitter end.

Resolved. That whilst ardently desirous of peace and its attendant blessings, we are convinced that we are dealing with a crafty, cruel and merciless foe, whom we distrust so much, that, were he to come with the Bible in one hand, we would look for the dagger in the other; and we know that while he proffers us peace, he plans

our destruction.

Resolved, That we feel deeply the insult lately offered to freemen through our commissioners, and spurn, with indignation, the bare idea of peace upon such disreputable terms; and sooner than submit to such, in the language of President Davis, "we will claim that which no enemy can dispossess us of, the right to maintain our personal honor and the right to fill an honorable grave."

Resolved, That with the great and glorious Lee—the christian gentleman and chivalrous soldier—for our leader, we are content to east the interests of our struggling country, believing that his cool judgment and soldierly ability and christian conduct, will even-

tually lead us forth to victory, honor and liberty.

Resolved, That Forsberg's Brigade feel unbounded confidence in our rulers—that we cherish admiration for ard devotion to our cause, and, with the blessings of God, we here again pledge our arms and hearts, our lives, our all to the great interest of this struggle, firmly resolved that upon our army's success alone rests our independence. To this end we are prepared to fight our battles over again and conquer peace and prosperity for our sunuy South.

COMMITTEE.

Private 45th Va. Regt.
Ser'gt Major 30th Batt.
Private 50th Ga. Regt.
Captain 51st Regt.

Hon. F. M. WALLEB:

The above is a true copy of the resolutions of this brigade, which

near a month ago, was sent to the Examiner, but they have not been published. When you present them to Congress, please say that they were adopted near a month ago.

Respectfully.

PETER J. OTEY, Major &c.

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