

HOUSE....No. 197.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-Eight.

RESOLVES

Concerning the Services of Colonel Thomas Childs, and Major Edwin V. Sumner.

Resolved, That the citizens of Massachusetts have felt a high and just pride in the achievements of the army of the United States, whenever it has been called into the field in defence of the country's cause; and they have seen with especial gratification, that her own sons have been among the most prompt to offer, and efficient to perform, those services which constitute a soldier's duty.

Resolved, That Colonel Thomas Childs, and Major Edwin V. Sumner, of the regular army, by a long, arduous and faithful devotion of their lives to the service of their country, by their skill, uniform gallantry, and good conduct as officers, and by their high moral worth as men, have merited the thanks of the

people of this, their native state; and justice to men who have toiled thus unremittingly, and perilled their lives so freely, demands the expression of admiration, respect, and gratitude.

Resolved, That his excellency the governor is hereby requested to transmit a copy of these resolves to Colonel Childs and Major Sumner, and also to procure swords, with suitable devices and inscriptions, and present one to each of said officers, in the name of the people of this Commonwealth, as a testimonial of appreciation of his services.