

ment of the United States, that the people of Maine shall replace themselves in the situation in which they stood before the agreements of last year were signed; that they shall therefore retire from the valley of the St. John, and confine themselves to the Valley of the Aroostook; that they shall occupy that valley in a temporary manner only, for the purpose, as agreed upon, of preventing deprivations; and that they shall not construct fortifications, nor make roads or permanent settlements.

Until this be done by the people of the State of Maine, and so long as that people shall persist in the present system of aggression, Her Majesty's Government will feel it their duty to make such military arrangements as may be required for the protection of Her Majesty's rights. And Her Majesty's Government deem it right to declare, that if the result of the unjustifiable proceedings of the State of Maine should be collision between Her Majesty's troops and the people of that State, the responsibility of all the consequences that may ensue therefrom, be they what they may, will rest with the people and Government of the United States.

The Undersigned has been instructed to add to this communication, that Her Majesty's Government are only waiting for the detailed report of the British Commissioners recently employed to survey the disputed territory, which report it was believed, would be completed and delivered to Her Majesty's Government by the end of the present month, in order to transmit to the Government of the United States, a reply to their last proposal upon the subject of the Boundary negotiation.

The Undersigned avails himself, &c.,

(Signed) H. S. FOX.

Inclosure 13 in No. 30.

Message from the President of the United States, communicating, in compliance with a resolution of the Senate, copies of correspondence in relation to the North-Eastern Boundary and the jurisdiction of the Disputed Territory; and, also, in relation to the establishment of military posts in the State of Maine.

To the Senate of the United States,

Washington City,
January 22, 1840.

IN compliance with the resolutions of the Senate of the 17th instant, I communicate a report and documents from the Secretary of State, and a report from the Secretary of War.

(Signed) M. VAN BUREN.

Inclosure 14 in No. 30.

Mr. Forsyth to the President of the United States.

Department of State, January 22, 1840.

THE Secretary of State, to whom has been referred so much of a resolution of the Senate of the 17th instant, as requests the President to communicate to the Senate "all the correspondence which has been had between this and the British Government upon the subject of the north-eastern boundary, and of the jurisdiction of the disputed territory, which has not been communicated heretofore, or so much of it as in his opinion, may be communicated without prejudice to the pending negotiation; with all the correspondence which has been had, since the last session of Congress, with the Governor of the State of Maine and with the Minister of Her Britannic Majesty at Washington, relative to the invasion of the State of Maine, and to the exercise of jurisdiction within the disputed territory by either party, or so much thereof as he may deem consistent with the public interest,"—has the honour to lay before the President all the papers in the Department of State not before communicated, except those relating imme-