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EUROPEAN, AND NORTH AMERICAN RAILWAY COMPANY OF MAINE,

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Aid in constructing a military railroad from Bangor to the St. John river.

DECEMBER 19, 1865.—Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and ordered to be printed.

To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

The European and North American Railway Company of Maine, a corporation established by the laws of that State, respectfully represents, that by authority of an act of the legislature of Maine, approved August 20, A. D. 1850, said corporation was authorized to construct and maintain a line of railway from the city of Bangor to the boundary of Maine, in the direction of the city of St. John, in the province of New Brunswick, with the right there to connect with a line of railway to be constructed from the said city of St. John to said boundary line, a copy of which act, the by-laws of said company, and of the several acts of the legislature of Maine in addition thereto, enlarging the powers of said company, so that by virtue of the several acts aforesaid of the legislature of Maine it has authority to unite with other railroad companies in said State of Maine and the provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, so as to form a connected line from the city of Portland to the city of Hal fax, Nova Scotia, with a branch line to the northern frontier of Maine, the northeastern boundary of the United States, are hereunto annexed as a part of this application, marked A.

And the said railway company further represents that the parliament of the province of New Brunswick, by an act approved April 13, 1864, authorized the construction of a line of railway from the city of St. John to the boundary of Maine, by a corporation entitled "the European and North American Railway Company, for extension from St. John westward," with authority to unite with the line of this corporation, so as to form a continuous line from Bangor to St.

John city; a copy of which is hereto annexed, marked B.

And said railway company further represents that the legislature of the State of Maine, by a series of resolutions approved January 31, 1863, and by other resolutions approved March 25, 1864, asked the United States government to provide desences for the northeastern frontier of the United States by the construction of a military railroad from the said city of Bangor to the St. John river, meaning and intending the line of the European and North American railway; copies of which resolutions, and the official statement of the governor of Maine, are appended hereto as a part of this application, marked C.