

cannot but indulge the hope that these nefarious attempts failing of their object, will, in the end, far from making us a divided people, be the means of dispelling many groundless jealousies, doubts and fears, which have heretofore existed, and thus draw closer the bonds of Union, confidence and mutual good will, between the different members and individual citizens of the confederacy. The just and generous sentiments proclaimed by the people, need but be carried out by the constituted authorities of the Northern and Eastern States, and the good work is done. From these authorities we have a right to expect, and after what we have heard from their constituents, we will not question, that they will take the necessary steps to prevent those associations and those emissions from the press within their borders, which are so destructive of our domestic peace, and so fatally tend to disturb the harmony of the Union. It is with you to provide by such enactments as you may judge suitable and expedient to prevent the introduction of all such incendiary publications within the limits of this State.

In compliance with the request of His Excellency George McDuffie Governor of the State of South Carolina, I herewith transmit to you a Report and sundry Resolutions adopted and passed by the General Assembly of that State on this subject.

We are happy in being able to announce to you, that the financial concerns of the State are in a sound and healthy condition. The ways and means provided by the Legislature at its last session, have been sufficient to meet all the expenditures of the Government and leave in the Treasury at the close of the fiscal year a balance of \$29,078,19. The annual Report of the Treasurer of the Western Shore, which will be laid before you in a few days, will furnish you with ample details of the receipts and expenditures of the past year and of the probable revenue and expenditures of the present.

In compliance with the request of the General Assembly we transmitted to his Excellency the Governor of Virginia, a copy of the Report of a special committee of the last House of Delegates and of the Resolutions with which it concludes, in relation to the Southern and Western boundary of this State, which were adopted and passed by the last General Assembly, and we