

That in the debates leading to this resolution, it is apparent that the gravamen of the high crime charged against the Senator from Maryland, is limited to an act of kindness and provision, for his own child—an act solely pertaining to his domestic and private life, the motive for which cannot decently, and ought not to be inquired of or judged at large, and which it was as undignified as it is pernicious to expose to public comment.

That in these transcendent violations of the compact of government by the Senate of the United States, there was no question before that body of a violation of the "rules of its proceedings" of the punishment of a member for "disorderly behavior," or of "expulsion," nor any question of "impeachment of a civil officer," but a high-handed usurpation of prerogative, to judge of qualifications not enumerated in the Constitution, and not delegated to it to judge of, there was the erection of a standard of qualifications to which no limit can be assigned, but ever subject to the prejudices and individual conscience of Senators.

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in consequence of these unlawful encroachments, and the dangerous precedent they afford, and to maintain the dignity and just rights of this State, they do hereby solemnly protest, for themselves and their posterity, against the action of the Senate of the United States, and record these their reasons for this protest.

Which was read and rejected by yeas and nays as follows :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Clarke,	Henkle,
Denson,	Maddox—4.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Browne,	Miller,
Carroll,	Malone,
Earle,	Parker, of Calvert, .
Fields,	Spates,
Grove,	Snyder,
Hyland,	Smith,
Hammond,	Walsh,
Kimmel,	Welch—17.
Lee,	

The resolutions were then read a third time, and passed by yeas and nays as follows :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Browne,	Lee,
Clarke,	Maddox,