

JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

compliment paid them in the selection of the name of their city for that of the cruiser, and in the recognition accorded the sons of Maryland by the choice of captain W. S. Schley, as her commander, who by his long and faithful service in the United States navy has done credit to himself and honor to his native State.

Invitation extended *Be it also resolved,* That a cordial invitation be and is hereby extended to honorable Benjamin F. Tracy, secretary of the navy of the United States, to visit the city of Baltimore at some period, during the stay of the cruiser Baltimore in the harbor of that city.

To forward resolution. *And be it further resolved,* That a copy of this resolution, after being duly signed by the governor of the State, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of delegates, be forwarded by the secretary of State to the honorable Benjamin F. Tracy, at Washington.

 No. 5.

Joint resolution by the General Assembly of Maryland requesting the general government to refund to the corporate authorities of Frederick city, Maryland, the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, exacted of them by the Confederate army under General Jubal Early, July ninth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, under penalty of burning said city.

Preamble WHEREAS, During the late war for the preservation of the Union, the citizens of Frederick city, Maryland, were faithful and obedient to the laws of the Union and the State, and by the Federal compact the United States were bound to protect said city of Frederick and its people against invasion and destruction of property; and

Preamble WHEREAS, the general government failed in its duty in the premises, and in consequence thereof said Frederick city was subjected to invasion by a large Confederate army under General Jubal Early, July ninth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and a large ransom, namely, the sum of two hundred thousand dollars in lawful money of the United States was levied and demanded by the commander of the Confederate forces and paid by said corporate authority July ninth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, unto the representatives of said Jubal Early, designated to receive the same, no part of which has been repaid or re-imbursed to said corporate authorities of Frederick city, Maryland, entailing a grievous burden upon the loyal taxpayers of a small community; therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That our senators and members of the congress of the United States from