

ways, public schools, police protection, and all the immunities of a well-regulated city, free to them at the expense of the visible property-holder in the city and State. What was the result of such influence? The 24th of last August the U. S. Census Report proclaims Maryland has retrograded \$15,000,000, thereby increasing the city and State's floating and bonded indebtedness, preventing capital and manufacturing industries from coming to a retrogressive rather than a progressive State. Had that bill been put in force to-day, Maryland, instead of receiving such a crushing blow, would have proudly proclaimed with her 41 sister States her progressive position. The millions of hidden wealth not only escaped, but the readjustment of values on real estate was prevented. Give us that at least which will add millions of real estate to the assessable list, for since the last general assessment 16 years ago we have had a chaos of confusion.

By order of Committee,

JOHN S. HOPKINS,

President.

GEORGE P. RENNER,

Secretary.

At a meeting of the Taxpayers' Association of Baltimore City, held Tuesday, March 22d, 1892, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, This corporate body, known as the Taxpayers' Association of Baltimore City, numbering over 1,350 members, and representing over \$230,000,000 of the taxable basis of Baltimore city, and also composed of the most representative elements of the manufacturing and commercial interests of this city, whose associated objects are to give confidence and character to real estate—in the more equitable adjustment of taxation (now existing in such a chaotic confusion, no general assessment having been made in sixteen years), and also to contribute their best efforts in the encouragement of manufacturing industries, and also contributing their service and capital for the further advancement and protection of this city's welfare; therefore be it

Resolved, By the Taxpayers' Association of Baltimore city, for the further protection of the principles and interests of this association and the Common-