

nal thirteen States of the Union, and has ever been conspicuous in the affairs of the nation, owing to its past history, its relative location with regard to North, South, East and West, its natural resources, its proximity to the Nation's Capitol, the possession within its borders of one of the largest cities and greatest ports in the country, and it is fitting that our State should be creditably represented before the world at the said exposition; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Merchants and Manufacturers Association renew and continue the efforts made at the last session of the General Assembly of Maryland, to have an adequate appropriation made, so that a State building and exhibit can be placed at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, and we hereby express the hope that the sum or not less than \$60,000 shall be appropriated by the General Assembly of 1904, for this purpose.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the members of the General Assembly, and that a special committee be appointed by the President to co-operate with the Maryland Commissioners to said exposition in their endeavor to obtain such an appropriation.

E. STANLEY GARY,
President.

CLARANCE H. FORREST,
Secretary.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Williams offered the following Joint Resolution:

Requesting the Secretary of the Navy of the United States be, and he is hereby requested to grant to Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley, an order giving an official residence in the city of Annapolis, Anne Arundel county, State of Maryland; whereby he may be permitted to exercise his right of franchise in said city and State.

Which was read, and referred to Committee on Federal Relations.