

rously effect the navigation of the same and thereby detract from the commercial importance of the State; therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested, to use their influence in urging the necessity of an appropriation by the General Government for the purpose of deepening the said channel in the Chesapeake bay and Susquehanna river above and below the city of Havre-de-Grace, Harford county, Maryland, and thereby opening the same to the commerce of the country.

Instructed and requested.

No. 6.

Joint resolutions for the appointment of an unpaid commission of five to examine and report to the next General Assembly what legislation is necessary to protect and foster the forest growth in Maryland.

WHEREAS recent investigations by scientific men and others in reference to the extinction of Maryland forests and the causes operating to the detriment of the growth of young trees, &c., have shown that the destruction of forest trees in a large portion of the State is far in excess of the replanting which is being done; and, whereas, it is made the duty of the Legislature under the Constitution to protect and foster this among other material interests of the State; and, whereas, if some proper legislation be not enacted in regard to this subject, another half century will doubtless witness the almost entire destruction of forest growth in this State; therefore, be it

Preamble.

Resolved by the House of Delegates of Maryland (the Senate concurring), That His Excellency, William T. Hamilton, the Hon. John Lee Carroll, Hon. Philip F. Thomas, Hon. Lloyd Lowndes, Prof. P. R. Uhler and Ira Remsen be

Appointed a commission.