

Which was read, assented to, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. McCleary offered the following:

Ordered, That a committee of — be appointed by the Speaker to inquire whether the seat of Z. W. Linthicum, a Delegate from Dorchester county, has not been vacated by his appointment to the office of Post Master at Church Creek, in Dorchester county, and his acceptance thereof under the government of the United States, since his election as a Delegate from said county to the House of Delegates, of this State, and that said committee have authority to send for persons and papers, and report to this House at the earliest practical period.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wallis, chairman of the committee on Federal Relations, made the following report:

[See Document M.]

Which was adopted.

Also, the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, the military authorities of the Government of the United States in Baltimore, have assumed to remove from office the Marshal of Police of that city, an officer of the State of Maryland, and to appoint his successor; and have further assumed to dismiss from office the Board of Police of Baltimore, a body clothed with high powers by the State of Maryland for the protection of its citizens; and have actually put an end, by force, to the exercise, by said Board, of its lawful and important functions; and have appointed sundry individuals, in large numbers, to govern the said city, as policemen, in contempt of the constitutional rights of the State of Maryland and in open and flagrant violation of its laws;

AND WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, instead of rebuking the wrong and usurpation aforesaid, has justified and approved the same, under color of a "military necessity" not known to the institutions of the country and fatal to its liberties, and has appropriated large sums of money for the compensation of the said unlawful Police force, so that the members thereof are maintained thereby in daily and oppressive hostility to the laws of Maryland and the rights of its citizens, and constitute in fact a civil government, established by Congress over the chief city of this State;

AND WHEREAS, Charles Howard, William H. Gatchell and