

islatures or Conventions, defined their position and course of action ; Therefore be it

*Resolved*, By the General Assembly of Maryland, the present position of Maryland in the Union, is that of strict neutrality, and will remain unchanged so long as Washington continues the seat of Government: provided the United States affords ample protection to slaves and other property.

*Resolved*, That when the seat of the United States Government ceases to be at Washington, and a division of the country takes place, the people shall have the free right and choice of deciding which section they will be attached to by a free expression and decision of the popular will at the ballot-box.

Which were read the first time and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Gordon, chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, reported favorably upon the bill entitled, an act to repeal the 19th section of the XXIXth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, and the proviso to the 33rd section of the Vth Article of the said code, relating to stay of executions, and to extend the time for enforcing the execution of judgments with amendments.

Said bill being upon its second reading,

Amendment proposed ;

Section 2nd, insert after the word "State," the following :

"And upon all powers to sell, contained in any mortgage and on all decrees for sale of mortgaged property."

Mr. Holland proposed the following as a substitute :

Strike out the word "execution" and insert "process in the hands of the sheriff or constable ;"

Which was lost.

The question then recurring upon the original amendment.

It was adopted.

Amendment proposed :

Insert after the word "execution", section second, the words, "and sale" ;

Which was adopted.