

and express for them their views and determinations in relation to the reform of their constitution, and in primary meetings have appealed to all men in Maryland, without distinction of party to rally now upon this important and vital question; and as in most, if not in all of the States of this Union, the people by a convention of delegates selected for their patriotism and wisdom, have assembled, and after calm and mature deliberation amended, remodeled, or reformed their old constitutions (however admirable and appropriate at the period of their formation), and adapted them to the changed conditions, growing power, and the irrepressible progress of more enlarged spirit of improvement and the fuller lights which practice and experience have bestowed; and as it is desirable that a work of such importance, and so allied with the feelings and interests of the people themselves, should be commenced, pursued and completed in a spirit of harmony and union, and that all minor questions, whether of Federal or State policy should be omitted, to attain for the people the great blessings of reform of their constitution, which they alone are competent to make, most beneficially to themselves, by the means of a convention, which shall be composed of delegates directly elected by, and immediately responsible to the people of this State."

"*Resolved*, That this convention, constituted as it is of delegates appointed from the counties, districts and city of Baltimore here represented, do, in behalf of the people of Maryland whom they represent, declare that it is their wish as it is their fixed determination to have a full and thorough reform of the constitution of Maryland, by a convention, so far as their votes and efforts can attain this desired object."

"*Resolved*, That the legislature possesses the power, and should call a convention at their next session, in obedience to the manifest and expressed will and wishes of the people, to reform the constitution of the State."

"*Resolved*, That in evidence of our sincerity in the prem-