

have declared that they are ready and willing to resume specie payments so soon as the banks of the city of Baltimore shall resume their responsibilities in paying specie for their paper circulation—therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the several banking institutions of this State be, and they are hereby required to resume the payment, in specie, of all their notes and other liabilities, on or before Monday, the 1st day of February next.

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time.

Mr. E. A. Lynch offered as a substitute for said preamble and resolution, the following:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That as the Banks of Maryland have been at all times prepared to resume specie payments, when the banks of other States were able to unite with them in doing so permanently; this Legislature have entire confidence in the ability and readiness of the banks of this State, to resume whenever the true interests of the community require it.

Which was read.

Mr. Graves offered as a substitute for said preamble and resolution and the substitute offered by Mr. E. A. Lynch, the following:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That as the Mechanics' Bank of Baltimore, the Merchants' Bank of Baltimore, and the Commercial and Farmers' Bank of Baltimore, by their action have decided that in the opinion of their officers and directors the "true interests of the community" require an immediate resumption of specie payments, therefore this Legislature have good reason to believe that such resumption should at once take place and so most solemnly express their opinion, and are prepared to take action to enforce the same.

Which was read;

Mr. Gantt moved to postpone the preamble, resolution and substitutes until Thursday next, the 28th instant, and to make them the order of that day;

Mr. Seidenstricker moved to postpone them until Tuesday next, and make them the order of that day;

The question was then put on the motion of Mr. Gantt, being the longest time; and

Determined in the affirmative

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

The yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Ridgely, sp'kr	Tall	Billingslea
Causin	Morton	Whiteford
Welch of Kent	Simcoe	Nicols
EJes	Bowie	Orrell
Gantt	Tuckj	Sullivan
Estep	Maccubbin	Nesbit