

of Kentucky, uniting with their brethren of the South, will resist such invasion of the soil of the South at all hazards and to the last extremity.

The above we believe to be the position of Maryland to the very letter, and believing, as we do, that nine-tenths of the people of this State are extremely anxious to settle the controversy without resort to arms, or in any way add to the already intense excitement, they have determined to exhaust every means in their power, and await the action of Congress to settle the difficulties, hoping thereby to avert civil war and the entire annihilation of the Union.

We would therefore, warn our Northern friends, and say to them that this matter must be arranged, and satisfactorily to the South, too, now or never. It is all nonsense for the Republicans of the North and East to, think for a moment that Maryland has any sympathy with them. She has not been holding off for any love she had for any Northern State, or for the Republican party, or any of its principles, but simply to allay, rather than add to, the already excited state of the country, whilst Congress has the matter in hand, hoping thereby to avert the most direful calamities.

But should all efforts at compromise fail, then, but not till then, will Maryland, good old conservative Maryland, be found standing, side by side, and shoulder to shoulder, with even South Carolina, Mississippi, and other States that have acted (as we think) rashly, as well as every Southern State now in the Union.

*“From the Baltimore County Advocate,” Feb. 1st, 1861, * * **

In conclusion, we say in case neither Congress nor the Convention to meet on the 4th of February, succeed in effecting such measures of adjustment we are confident our worthy Governor will then issue his proclamation, calling on the people of Maryland to elect delegates to a State Convention who will decide on the annexation of the State to the Southern Confederacy.

The *“Baltimore County Advocate,”* of April 26th 1861, the next regular addition of the paper after the issue of that extra. We would, in the excited condition of affairs in this county most respectfully counsel moderation in everything that could have the tendency to excite. Should the Government troops make an attack upon us and orders be given that the honor of the State should be sustained, nothing will be to do but for all, promptly to unite. Again we say to our readers—keep quiet; do not allow yourselves to become excited or drawn into illnatured remarks by engaging in useless conversation.

The counsel for the Respondent here offered the commission of Richard Grason, as Judge, issued by Governor Bradford.