

## AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Thomas, (Prest.)	Hilleary,
Bowie,	Jones,
Brown,	Kent,
Cottman,	Ricaud,
Goldsborough,	Wright—11.
Hambleton,	

## NEGATIVE.

Mr. Tidball,—1.

So it was determined in the affirmative, and the preamble and resolutions ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

They were accordingly engrossed, and

On motion of Mr. Tidball,

Taken up for consideration, when

Mr. Tidball moved to recommit the said preamble and resolutions, with instructions to report the following resolution as a substitute for the second resolution as engrossed.

Resolved, That Congress does not possess the power, under the Constitution of the United States to impair or in any manner effect the rights of slaveholders in the several states, and that any interference with the subject of slavery in the District of Columbia is highly inexpedient and calculated to cause much evil and great injustice to a large portion of the citizens of the United States.

The question was put,

“Will the Senate agree to recommit with instructions as proposed.”

Determined in the negative.

The preamble and resolutions were then read the third time by special order and assented to.

On motion of Mr. Brown,

The communication received from his excellency Governor Veazey, on the 17th inst, with the accompanying resolutions from the Governor of the State of Vermont, in relation to the free expression of opinions and the transmission of them through the public mail; and the power of Congress to abolish slavery and the slave trade in the District of Columbia, were referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

Mr. Ricaud from the committee on internal improvement to which was referred the bill entitled, an act con-