That the enactment into laws of both or either of these Bills, would be in palpable derogation of the Declaration of Rights and the Constitution, and the organic law establishing this Corporation, and a manifest invasion of the rights and liberties of the people of Baltimore;

- 2. That these Bills ought not to pass in their present or any other shape, because a majority of the people of Baltimore have not asked for any change in their municipal government;
- 3. That instead of being measures to promote the cause of law and order in the city of Baltimore, their adoption will inevitably lead to the most disastrous results, in disturbing the peace of the city;
- 4. That the municipal authorities of the city of Baltimore, being the custodians of her peace and safety, and her rights and liberties, do most solemnly protest against the adoption of these measures, either in whole or in part, because they would be injurious to her best interests, and in violation of the plighted faith of the people of the counties at the creation of the Constitution, in agreeing to leave to the people of Baltimore the right to govern themselves, under the Constitution and her perpetual organic Charter, in exchange for the surrender of their right to be represented in the Legislature on the basis of population;

(Debates in Convention, passim.)

- 5. That the proposed Commissioners are not the choice of a majority of the people of Baltimore;
- 6. That the Mayor be, and he is hereby directed, to transmit a copy of this preamble and resolutions to the Governor, and each member of the General Assembly, without delay;
- 7. That the Mayor shall cause this preamble and resolutions to be published once in all the daily newspapers of the city of Baltimore, for the payment of which the sum of one hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated.

Mr. Kimmel moved that a thousand copies be printed for the use of the Senate.

The yeas and nays being demanded, appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Bradley, Dashiell, Grahame, Kimmel, Miles, Nuttle, Smith, Stone, Whitaker, Yellott—10.