

Mr. Brooke, from the Joint Select Committee, submitted the following

R E P O R T :

The undersigned, a portion of the Committee appointed by the Legislature to present and enforce its Resolutions to Presidents Lincoln and Davis, beg leave to report—

That the manifest purpose of those Resolutions was, in the opinion of your Committee, to secure, if possible, through the instrumentality of Maryland, peace to our distracted country; and, if failing in that, then a cessation of hostilities on the part of the armies of the Federal and Confederated troops, until Congress should express its opinion on the subjects which now agitate the people. These purposes being defeated by the movement of Federal troops on Virginia, and an active commencement of hostilities, we have considered our mission as ended, and, therefore, have not felt authorized, on the part of the Sovereign State of Maryland, to present a request which has in advance been repudiated.

The dignity of the State, as well as self-respect, seemed to demand this of us.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. B. BROOKE,  
G. W. GOLDSBOROUGH,  
GEO. H. MORGAN,  
BARNES COMPTON.

Which was read.

Mr. Bradley presented the memorial of sundry citizens of Queen Anne's county for a modification of the law for the inspection of grain;

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Kimmel presented the petition of Wm. Metzger, John Koogle, James Harm, Robert Gaver, James Gladhill, and three hundred and ten voters of Jackson district, in Frederick county, asking for the immediate adjournment of the Legislature *sine die*.

Mr. Smith presented the petition of twenty-three voters of Union Bridge, Carroll county, asking for an immediate adjournment of the Legislature *sine die*.

Which were severally read, and laid on the table.

The Senate adjourned.