

Chaplain,	Goldsborough,	Stake,
Lawson,	Warfield,	Harding,
Keene,	Brune,	Barnard,
Maxwell,	Winans,	Roop,
Wootten,	Pitts,	Brown—45.

## NEGATIVE.

Messrs.

Morgan, McCleary, Mills—3.

Said resolution was then sent to the Senate.

Mr. Wallis, chairman of the Committee on Federal Relations, made the following report :

*To the Honorable,*

*the Speaker of the House of Delegates :*

The Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred the Joint Resolutions from the Senate, providing for the appointment of a Joint Committee of both Houses, who should select from their own number, two members to wait upon the President of the United States, two to wait upon the President of the Confederate States, and two to wait upon the Governors of Virginia and Pennsylvania, respectively, ask leave to report :

That they have considered the subject, with all the attention and respect which are so justly due to the high source from which the resolutions proceed, as well as to the patriotic and commendable motives by which they were undoubtedly suggested. They regret, however, that with every disposition to yield to the opinions and wishes of the Senate, they are unable to concur in the propriety of the measure proposed.

The worthy and benevolent purpose of the missions contemplated by the resolution, is to avert, if possible, the horrors of civil war, by inducing a cessation of hostilities, at least until the meeting of Congress. The committee have already reported in favor of the policy indicated, and the resolutions which they had the honor to propose, to that effect, have received the sanction of a large majority of the members of the House, and are now awaiting the action of the Senate, which it is earnestly hoped may be favorable. It is only, therefore, in regard to the means to be employed, to serve a common purpose, and not in regard to the purpose itself, that the committee are reluctantly constrained to differ with the Senate. The grounds of that difference are, briefly, as follows :