

RESOLUTIONS

PASSED SESSION OF EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOUR.

No. 1.

RESOLUTIONS

Relative to the removal of the United States Mint from the City of Philadelphia to the City of New York.

WHEREAS, We have heard with apprehension, that movements continue to be made, and influences to be exerted, to effect the removal, by the government of the United States, of the Mint from the city of Philadelphia to the city of New York; therefore,

1. *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met,* That cherishing the credit, prosperity and honor of Philadelphia, and of Pennsylvania, and regarding these as involved in the proposed measure, we condemn the movement as unjust towards the city, which should, as the cradle of our Independence, be regarded with national pride, if not with national favor.

2. *Resolved,* That the proposed measure is politically unwise and inexpedient, inasmuch as it tends to foster and build up a centralized power, dangerous to liberty and republican equality.

3. *Resolved,* That the proposed measure is commercially inexpedient and unwise, inasmuch as, in addition to great and special favors already received from the National Treasury to build up their commercial marine, thereby absorbing the commercial prosperity of sister States, it will further aggrandise New York, at the expense of the other great commercial cities southward thereof.

4. *Resolved,* That the proposed measure is, in point of economy, unwise and inexpedient, inasmuch as it will involve the abandonment of buildings and machinery, fully adequate to the whole national coinage, and the erection of others, at an enormous expense, in the city of New York.

5. *Resolved,* That the proposed measure is, in a prudential aspect, unwise and inexpedient, inasmuch as it would remove the national treasure from a place of perfect safety, to a point peculiarly open to attack from the ocean.

6. *Resolved,* That Pennsylvania cannot but regard these constant movements and pressures upon the Congress of the United States, as illiberal and unjust, and she therefore appeals to her sister States, with an earnest and confident trust, that they will, by timely interposition, check the all absorbing and centralizing efforts of New York.

7. *Resolved,* That the members of the House of Representatives, from Pennsylvania, be requested, and the Senators in Con-

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gress be instructed, to use every means in their power to resist the effort to despoil the Metropolis of Pennsylvania of the Mint of the United States, which has stood there with unblemished credit from the foundation of the National Government.

8. *Resolved*, That the Governor cause a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to be sent to each member of the House of Representatives, and the Senators in Congress from Pennsylvania.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The sixteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.

No. 2.

RESOLUTION

Relative to the purchase of Sutherland's Legislative Manual.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the Clerks of each House be authorized to supply the members and clerks of their respective Houses with a copy of Sutherland's Legislative Manual for the present session.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The seventeenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.