

SLAVERY.

RESOLUTIONS

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF MICHIGAN,

RELATIVE TO

Slavery and the slave-trade in the District of Columbia.

DECEMBER 31, 1849.

Laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS relative to slavery and the slave-trade in the District of Columbia.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the existence of slavery and the slave-trade at the seat of our national government "is an evil of serious magnitude, which greatly impairs the prosperity and happiness of the District, and casts the reproach of inconsistency upon the free institutions established among us."

Resolved, That our senators in Congress be instructed, and our representatives requested, to urge the passage of a law that shall put an end to the slave-trade in the District of Columbia without delay; and, also, provide for ascertaining the views of the people of said District upon the question of the entire abolition of slavery therein.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to forward copies of the foregoing resolutions to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.
Approved April 2, 1849.

A true copy :

GEO. W. PECK,
Secretary of State.