

SECTIONAL MISUNDERSTANDINGS BETWEEN THE NORTH
AND THE SOUTH.

RESOLUTIONS
OF
THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE,

APPROVING

The Crittenden resolutions.

JANUARY 22, 1861.—Referred to the select committee on the special message of the President of the United States, and ordered to be printed.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS, submitted by the committee on the state of the Union of the house of representatives of the State of Delaware, approving the "Crittenden resolutions."

Whereas certain resolutions are now before Congress, submitted by the Hon. John J. Crittenden, a senator from the State of Kentucky, for the settlement of our difficulties about the slavery question; and whereas the said proposition for the settlement of existing difficulties is deemed equitable, and ought to be accepted by both the north and the south, as it will, in our opinion, remove the cause that produces the danger of dissolution of the Union: Therefore—

Resolved by the senate and house of representatives of the State of Delaware in general assembly met, That this general assembly approve of the proposition aforesaid of Senator Crittenden, and hereby instruct our senators in Congress, and request our representative, to advocate the said proposition, (or any other fair and equitable proposition or means of reconciliation which will be just to both sections of country and obtain the sanction of Congress,) and in so expressing themselves, they have no doubt they reflect the will of a large majority of their constituents; and they have sufficient confidence in the patriotism of the people of both sections, north and south, to believe they will approve it also, if their sense can be fairly taken.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution, signed by the speakers of the two houses, and attested by the clerks, be forwarded immediately to our senators and representative in Congress.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, *January 16, 1861.*

The above and foregoing resolutions offered, read, and adopted.

JOHN F. WILLIAMSON,
Speaker House of Representatives.

Attest:

C. RODNEY LAYTON,
*Clerk House of Representatives.*SENATE, *January 17, 1861.*

Read and concurred in.

JOHN MARTIN,
Speaker of Senate.

Attest:

JOHN F. PRATT,
Clerk of Senate.