

## MEMORIAL.

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*To the Honorable,*

*The House of Delegates of Maryland:*

The memorial of William Devecmon, William A. Bryden, John M. English and Patrick Hamill, of Allegany county, Maryland, respectfully represents:

That they were candidates for seats in your Honorable Body at the late Election of November 6th, 1866, in this State as the representatives therein of said Allegany county; and that a large number of votes at that election, were cast for them for that office; and at the same time a large number of votes were cast at the same time, for a certain William R. McCulley, Samuel M. Haller, Daniel C. Bruce and Charles Gilpin, who were returned as elected.

Your memorialists further represent that believing that said William R. McCulley, Samuel M. Haller, Daniel C. Bruce and Charles Gilpin were not duly elected to seats in your body and designing to contest their election, they served upon said last named parties, a notice in writing of said intention; a copy of which notice is hereto annexed, as part of this memorial.

They further represent that subsequent to said notice, they, your memorialists, did in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland, serve upon said above named parties, a written notice of your memorialists intention to take testimony to substantiate their position in this regard; and thereafter at the times and places named in said notice, they proceeded in the presence of the counsel of said parties so notified, to examine witnesses and take testimony to that end; a transcript of which testimony will, by the magistrate who took the same, be transmitted to the presiding officer of your Honorable Body as required by law.

Your memorialists submit that the testimony so taken fully sustains their position and belief that said William R. McCulley, Samuel M. Haller, Daniel C. Bruce and Charles Gilpin were not duly and legally elected; and they therefore pray your Honorable Body to declare that the said William R. Mc-