

able to ascertain, and your memorialist is credibly informed and so believes and charges that upon a proper and legal count of said ballots in said district and a proper tally of the count, his plurality over the said Griffith would have been not less than forty votes.

(e) That the tallies in said Third District were so badly, imperfectly and inaccurately kept as to be absolutely unreliable and do not represent the vote cast in said district or even the count as ascertained by the judges of election.

(f) That a recount of the ballots cast in the Third District and in the First Precinct of the First District would show a large plurality vote for your memorialist in said precinct and district, and a plurality of the total legal vote cast in Calvert county.

4. That your memorialist on the twenty-seventh day of November, 1903, duly served upon the said Lewis McK. Griffith written notice of his intention to contest his election as Senator from Calvert county and has taken evidence in support of his right to a seat in the Senate of Maryland, which evidence has been or will shortly be returned to your Honorable Body by the Justice before whom the same was taken.

5. That your memorialist prays your Honorable Body to admit him to a seat as Senator from Calvert county, to which seat he hereby asserts that he was legally and duly elected.

And as in duty, etc.

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Which was read and referred to the Committee on Elections (hereafter to be appointed).

On motion of Mr. Gadd,

Said protest was ordered spread upon the Journal.

The Senate then proceeded to the nomination and election of a President.