

Mr. Gordon chairman of the special committee, made the following report :

To the Speaker of the House of Delegates :

The Special Committee to whom was referred the resolution offered by Lewis P. Fiery, a Delegate from Washington county, beg leave to report as follow :

That at an election held on the first Wednesday of November, 1859,

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| Charles L. Krafft, | Thomas Booze, |
| Robert L. Sèth, | George R. Berry, |
| Frederick C. Crowley, | Robert A. McAllister, |
| Thomas M. Smith, | Robert Turner, |
| William A. Wisong, | Marcus Denison, |

Were returned by the judges of said election as persons elected as Delegates to the House of Delegates of Maryland. That all of said parties, except said Wisong, appeared and took their seats as members of said House, on the first Wednesday of January, 1860.

That the right of said parties to seats in said House, was afterwards contested before said House by other parties, who claimed to be entitled to said seats.

That said House after taking a large amount of testimony through its Committee on Elections, adopted the following resolution :

“Resolved, That it appears to this House, that there were such tumult, riot, intimidation, fraud and injustice in the election of Delegates from the city of Baltimore on the 2nd of November last, in contempt of law and in violation of the freedom of elections, that the said election is void, and that the Speaker of the House of Delegates issue his warrant for the election of ten Delegates to represent Baltimore city in the present General Assembly, on Saturday the 10th day of March next.”

That the Speaker of said House did immediately thereon issue his warrant to the Sheriff of Baltimore city for an election of Delegates as he was thereby directed.

That the Governor of this State, regarding the extraordinary emergency, and the necessity for an immediate session of the Legislature then existing, issued his Proclamation on the 21st day of April last, convening the two Houses in extra session on the 26th day of April, only five days after the issuing of his Proclamation.