

NEGATIVE.

Messrs.

Landing,

McCleary—2.

Said bill was then sent to the Senate.

Mr. McCleary moved that the committee to be appointed to investigate the right of Mr. Linthicum, to a seat in this House consist of three members;

Mr. Holland moved to amend by striking out "three" and inserting "five;"

Which was carried.

The chair appointed Messrs. McCleary, Legg, Maxwell, Brown and Scott said committee.

Mr. Kessler, presented the petition of Manasses Grove, Thomas Jarboe, B. F. Gattton and Seventy-four other citizens of Frederick county, against the adjournment of the Legislature *sine die*.

Which was read, and referred to the committee on adjournment.

Mr. Briscoe, from the committee on adjournment made the following:

REPORT:

The joint committee of the Senate and House of delegates, to whom was referred the consideration of the time when the present session should terminate, and the place at which the adjourned session should be held, respectfully report,

That in their opinion the extraordinary events which have transpired since the adjournment of the Legislature, clearly indicate that the Federal authorities at Washington have so fully determined to disregard all the rights which the Constitution has named and provided as necessary to a free State; rights which have heretofore been considered as the only safeguard of the dearest privileges of a free people; as to render it in vain for the General Assembly, at this session to interpose any measures, looking to the immediate relief of the State.

Your committee deem it nevertheless the duty of the Legislature, to meet from time to time, to discharge such duties as may be practicable, and to record its formal protest against the wrongs to which the people of the State have been, or may be subjected. The great body of our several constitu-