

Constitutional right, without any ground of neglect or delay on the part of any one to justify that deprivation. Which is a reduction to absurdity. Therefore the notice, &c., are not necessary prerequisites. It will appear in a previous report of our committee in regard to other contested elections from Somerset county (page 9) that the memorial of William J. Brittingham and others, was considered together with the other cases. The gentlemen from Somerset were notified of this determination of the Committee, and a copy of the notice, and a reply hereto are herewith filed. Referring to the previous report herein before mentioned, as setting forth more fully the law and facts upon which our conclusion is based, we recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That it appears to this House that there were such intimidation, fraud, injustice and illegality, in the election of Delegates in Somerset county, on the fourth day 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 this House issue his warrant for the election of four Delegates to represent Somerset county in the House of Delegates.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

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