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*To the Honorable,*

*the Speaker of the House of Delegates:*

The committee on Federal Relations, to whom were referred the two communications from His Excellency, the Governor, bearing date the 5th inst., having duly considered the same, respectfully ask leave to make the following report:

In one of the messages in question, the Governor informs the House, in reply to its respectful enquiry, that "as a matter of course" he has taken no action "to protect the citizens of the State, in their persons and property," from illegal arrest, outrage and injury, on the part of the military authorities of the Federal Government now exercising forcible jurisdiction over our people; for the reason that he has "received no official information of the arrest spoken of" in the order of the House, "nor has any complaint or demand for his interference been made to him, by any person claiming to have been arrested in the manner alleged" therein. As the House is unhappily aware, the outrages referred to are of a character so flagrant and notorious, as to have attracted the attention and comment of the whole press of the State and country, and to have filled with the deepest indignation and anxiety, not only the reflecting people of Maryland, but all good citizens, throughout the land, who are not willing to sacrifice its free institutions, forever, to the mad excitements and usurpations of the hour. It is safe to say that the Governor cannot have opened a newspaper, nor have taken part in a public conversation, since the adjournment of the General Assembly, last month, without having had his attention attracted to the engrossing subject which he now officially ignores.