Government drunk in the streets - Native-towns - and laying prostrate on the ground; an absolute captive of the "Hydra Monster". At the time of the imprisonment of the Delegation, I was then Senior Pro of the State. The people was in a perfect state of indignation, bordering on to frenzy. Believing to be in the line of my duty, consonant to the Constitution; I waited on him to have a Conference, to advise and propose a plan to conciliate the people; but Mr Prout would not give me a civil hearing - thus my efforts proved ineffectual: and, Sir; in connection with this fact, the People considered their safety the Ultimatum.

At this juncture a meeting was called at the instance of the lamented Cassell, R S McGee, I B Bowen Esqs, and others, of the Citizens, a petition was gotten up - and after much dilatory the Delegation was released. The citizens declared by a vote, not roused by flaming speeches; but what they have seen and borne for 18 months - that Governor Prout had forfeited their confidence and respect - and further they believed that the administration of the affairs of the Government in his hand was unwise, and dangerous to our domestic peace; especially amongst our native dependents. The said public meeting declared on the 1st of Dec that William Alexander Prout was deposed - and by a two third vote of the Legal voters of this State declared that he was no longer Governor of the State of Md in Liberia. A committee was raised by that meeting to wit - Mr Cassell, R S McGee, I S Gibson, I B Dennis and D S Harmon Esqs. I cite the names of the Committee without connecting a word of Comment. This Committee was instructed by that meeting to inform Mr Prout of the Action of the Citizens and to receive the property of the State, all of which he acknowledged: they also were instructed to induct the Sein Governor into office and deliver the property of State to that officer. Such is a succinct and crude statement of the affair - in short, Sir; it was a revolution of moral suasion - no lives lost - no property have been destroyed. The

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