For Harford county-Israel D. Maulsby, James Nelson, Harry D. Gough, and Stephen Boyd, Esquires.

For Caroline county-James Carter, John Jump, of Elijah, and John Nicols, Esquires.

For Montgomery county-John W. Darby, Samuel D. Waters, and George W. Dawson, Esquires.

A sufficient number of Delegates being convened, they severally qualified in the presence of each other, agreeably to the Constitution and Form of Government,

And then adjourned until to-morrow orning ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, December, 27th, 1836.

Present the same members as on yesterday.

Isaac M. Price, Esquire, a delegate returned for Kent county; Charles S. Ridgely and Leonard Iglehart, Esquires, delegates returned for Anne Arundel county; Josias Hawkins, Esquire, a delegate returned for Charles county; Hugh Ely, Esquire, a delegate returned for Baltimore county; Thomas O. Martin, Esquire, a delegate returned for Talbot county; John W. Comegys, and Thomas Taylor, Junr. Esquires, delegates returned for Cecil county; Thomas S. Alexander, Esquire, a delegate returned for the city of Annapolis; William Hemsley, Esquire, a delegate returned for Queen Ann's county; James Powell, Esquire, a delegate returned for Worcester county; Beal H. Richardson, Esquire, a delegate returned for the city of Baltimore; John H. Mann, and Andrew Rentch, Esquires, delegates returned for Washington counte; Henry Harding, Esq. a delegate returned for Montgomery county; George Smith, Robert Bruce, and John M. Buchanan, Esquires, delegates returned for Allegany county, severally appeared, qualified and took their seats.

The House proceeded to ballot for a Speaker,—the ballots of the members being collected in the ballot box, on examination thereof, it appeared that Benjamin L. Gantt, Esq. received fifty-two votes, that there were three scattering.

and four blank ballots.

Whereupon, Benjamin L. Gantt, Esq. was declared duly elected the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and accordingly took the chair.

On motion of Mr. Brengle,

Ordered, That George G. Brewer be appointed the chief