

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

been nominated by your honorable body, the senate have no other nomination to make; but if he is not the person intended, the senate nominate, in addition to the gentleman named by you, Samuel Stevens, junior.

By order,

Wm. KILTY, Ck.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. John P. Kennedy, the following message was read:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 9, 1822.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We have received your message upon the subject of the nomination of Samuel Stevens, to be balloted for as governor of this state. In conformity with your suggestion, we beg leave to apprise you, that Samuel Stevens, junior, is nominated by this house as a proper person to be balloted for that station. At the same time we respectfully suggest, that upon a reconsideration, we have decided, with the concurrence of your honorable body, to withdraw the name of James B. Robins, Esq. as a candidate for the executive chair.

On motion by Mr. John P. Kennedy, all the latter clause from the words "at the same time," were stricken out, and the following inserted: "We desire that his name be inserted in nomination with that of James B. Robins, Esq. according to the original intention of this house." The message was assented to and sent to the senate.

Mr. Allen reports a bill entitled, An act to abolish survivorship in joint tenancy; and Mr. J. P. Kennedy reports a bill, entitled, An act to alter and amend such parts of the constitution of Maryland, as relate to the election of two delegates from the city of Baltimore to the general assembly of this state.

The house having qualified, according to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the choice of a governor; and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike, retired to the conference room, and after some time returned and reported, that Samuel Stevens, junior, had sixty-three votes, and James B. Robins, had sixteen votes: Whereupon,

*Resolved,* That Samuel Stevens, Junr. Esq. be, and he is hereby declared to be the governor of the state of Maryland.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the following message was read, assented to, and sent to the senate.  
BY THE HOUSE DELEGATES, Dec. 9, 1822.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

The honorable Samuel Stevens, junior, of Talbot county, having been elected governor of this state, we propose that a joint letter be written by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates, and forwarded by express immediately, to inform that gentleman of his election, and request his attendance at the seat of government, to qualify as the constitution and form of government require.

By order,

J. BREWER, Ck.

The clerk of the senate delivers a communication from the executive, inclosing several communications from the governors of sister states, relative to public lands and other subjects; read and ordered to be printed.

The bill to confirm an act, entitled, An act to alter that part of the constitution and form of government relating to the division of Dorchester county into five separate election districts, was read the second time and passed.

On motion by Mr. Spence, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to authorise special courts of oyer and terminer and for other purposes. Ordered, that Messrs. Spence, Franklin and Thomas report the same.

Mr. Hughes reports a bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act, entitled, An act to alter and change such parts of the constitution and form of government, as relates to the division of Anne Arundel county into election districts, and to change the place of holding elections in the second election district of said county; which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, December 9, 1822.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We accede to the proposal contained in your message just received, that a joint letter be addressed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of delegates, to the honorable Samuel Stevens, Junr. and forwarded to him by express, informing him that he has this day been elected governor of the state, and that his presence at the seat of government, as soon as his convenience will permit, is requested, to qualify according to the constitution and form of government of this state.

By order,

Wm. KILTY, Ck.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1822.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday was read.

The bill to alter that part of the constitution and form of government, relating to the division of Dorchester county, into five separate election districts, was sent to the senate.

Mr. Carroll presents a petition from the Alumni of the University of Maryland, praying that means may be adopted to bring to an early judicial enquiry, the question which has arisen as to the validity of the several acts of assembly, by virtue of which the funds have been withdrawn from the said University; read and referred to Messrs. Carroll, Cannell, Thomas, Spence and G. Leigh.