

6 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER, 1778.

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, November 12, 1778.

May it please your honours,

IN answer to your message of the 10th instant by Matthew Tilghman, Esq; this house, willing to deliberate on a subject of so much importance, did not choose to go into an immediate appointment of delegates to congress, but have agreed to name them to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, and will, if agreeable to your honours, ballot at that time for two gentlemen to be left out, and immediately afterwards for those who are to serve as delegates to congress for the ensuing year.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

Samuel Wilson and William Hindman, Esquires, were appointed to join the committee of the house of delegates in examining the ballot boxes, and the following message was sent to the house of delegates by Thomas Stone, Esq;

By the SENATE, November 12, 1778.

Gentlemen,

WE assent to the propositions contained in your message of this day by Messieurs Bruff and Sewell, and have appointed Samuel Wilson and William Hindman, Esquires, to join such members as may be named by your house, in the examination of the ballot boxes.

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

By the SENATE, November 12, 1778.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be requested to lay the proceedings of the different councils before the senate.

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

F R I D A Y, November 13, 1778.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Messieurs Veazey and Evans from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following message:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, November 13, 1778.

May it please your honours,

Mr. Chase, Mr. Quynn, and Mr. Crabb, are appointed by this house to join Samuel Wilson and William Hindman, Esquires, of your house, to examine the ballot boxes.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

Messieurs Crabb and Bowie from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a list of the gentlemen proposed to be ballotted for as delegates to congress.

The following message was prepared and sent to the house of delegates by Samuel Wilson, Esq;

By the SENATE, November 13, 1778.

Gentlemen,

WE are ready to proceed to ballot for delegates to congress. We have no persons to propose in addition to the list communicated to us with your message by Messieurs Crabb and Bowie.

By order,

R. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

The senate proceeded to ballot for the exclusion of two of the delegates to congress; the ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee appointed to join the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after some time returned and reported, that Thomas Stone and Samuel Chase, Esqrs. were by a majority of votes excluded from the present nomination.

The senate proceeded to ballot for delegates to congress; the ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee of this house appointed to join the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after some time returned and reported, that George Plater, William Paca, William Carmichael, John Henry, James Forbes, and Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esquires, had a majority of votes; whereupon it is declared in the senate, that the honourable George Plater, William Paca, William Carmichael, John Henry, James Forbes, and Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esquires, are duly elected delegates to congress.

Robert Goldsborough, Esq; appeared in the senate, and took the oath of fidelity before Allen Quynn, Esquire.

The following resolution was sent to the house of delegates by Brice T. B. Worthington, Esquire.

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