

20. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, unless to amend it, to commit it, for the previous question, to postpone it to a day certain, or to adjourn.

21. A motion to adjourn shall be always in order, and shall be decided without debate.

22. The previous question shall be in this form, " Shall the main question be now put?" and, until it is decided, shall preclude all amendment and further debate on the main question, and no member shall speak more than once on the previous question.

23. Any member may call for the division of a question where the sense will admit of it.

24. No motion for reconsideration shall be received, unless made by a member, and seconded by another, who voted in the majority on the question in the first instance.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The senate adjourns until to morrow morning 9 o'clock.

S A T U R D A Y, November 12, 1803.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The report of the committee appointed to prepare rules and regulations for the government of the senate was read the second time and concurred with.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body. ORDERED, That Mr. Brown, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Houston, Mr. Christie and Mr. Mackall, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, November 14, 1803.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Nelson and Mr. Ringgold appeared in the senate, and after qualifying agreeably to the constitution and form of government, took their seats in the senate.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year, endorsed; " By the house of delegates, November 10, 1803: " Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By the house of delegates, November 14, 1803: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

And a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Thomas Parvin, an insolvent debtor, of Frederick county, endorsed; " By the house of delegates, November 14, 1803: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By the house of delegates, November 14, 1803: Read the second time and will pass.

" By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 14, 1803.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WITH the concurrence of your house, we propose to proceed, at twelve o'clock this day, to the election of a governor, agreeably to the constitution and form of government. The honourable Robert Bowie is put in nomination by us; and we have appointed Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Wilson to join such gentlemen as may be appointed by you to examine the ballots, and to report thereon.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

The following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 14, 1803.

GENTLEMEN,

WE agree to proceed to the election of a governor at the hour appointed in your message. No person is put in nomination by the senate in addition to Robert Bowie, Esquire. Mr. Houston and Mr. Ringgold are appointed by the senate to act in conjunction with the members proposed by you to examine the ballots.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

The senate, having previously qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the election of a governor; the ballot box being prepared, the ballots deposited therein and sealed up, was delivered to the committee of the senate appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after examination of the ballots, returned and reported, that Robert Bowie was elected.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that Robert Bowie is duly elected governor of Maryland.