

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1806.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Partridge, Mr. M'Eldey and Mr. Dorsey, be appointed a committee to report rules and regulations to be observed in the senate.

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

By the SENATE, November 10, 1806.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

THE senate is formed, and ready to proceed with the business of the session. We propose immediately to go into the election of a governor. Robert Wright, Esquire, is put in nomination by this house, and we have appointed Mr. Gibson and Mr. Partridge to join such gentlemen as you may name for the examination of the ballots.

By order,

T. ROGERS, clk.

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, passed by that house November 8, 1806; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

And the following message:

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, November 10, 1806.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

WE have received your message, informing us that you are ready to proceed to business, and also proposing to go into an election for governor, agreeably to the provisions of the constitution and form of government. We having also organized our house, are ready to proceed to business, and to go into the election of a governor. No person is put in nomination by us in addition to Robert Wright, Esquire. Mr. Aisquith and Mr. Winder are appointed by this house to join the gentlemen appointed by you to examine the ballots.

By order,

J. BREWER, clk.

Which was read.

The senate, having previously qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government and laws of this state, 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 Wright had fifty-nine votes, Charles Carroll eleven votes, John E. Howard three votes, and Thomas Johnson one vote.

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

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

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, November 10, 1806.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

ROBERT WRIGHT, Esquire, having been elected governor of this state, we propose that a joint letter should be written by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates, and immediately forwarded by express, to notify him of his election, and to request his attendance in order to be qualified according to the constitution and form of government.

By order,

J. BREWER, clk.

Which was read.

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

T U E S D A Y, November 11, 1806.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings from Monday the third instant, inclusive, were read.

The president communicates to the senate the following letter from John Thompson Mason, Esquire.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND.

HAGAR'S-TOWN, 5th November, 1806.

SIR,

HAVING been chosen into the senate by the electors, it was my intention to have taken my seat in your house; it has, however, lately occurred to me, that it is at least questionable whether, on the score of residence in the state, I am constitutionally eligible into the senate. Having myself doubts upon that subject, I am compelled to decline an acceptance of the appointment, and beg you will receive this as my resignation of my seat in your house. With sentiments of the highest esteem and respect,

I have the honour to be, your obedient servant,

JOHN T. MASON.

To the honourable the President of the Senate of Maryland.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

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

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, November 11, 1806.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

WE propose to proceed, at twelve o'clock, to the election of a council to the governor. Thomas W. Hall, Reverdy Ghiselin, James Nabb, Philip Reed, Lewis Duvall, Archibald Dorsey, James Butcher, John Leeds