

Mr. Taney from the committee appointed to examine the returns of elections of electors of the senate of Maryland, made the following report :

The committee appointed to examine and inspect the returns of elections of the electors of the senate, and to examine whether they have been made agreeably to the constitution and form of government, and the laws of this state, report—that they have examined the same, and find that by the said returns, that the following persons are elected, declared, and duly returned, as electors of the senate of the state of Maryland. For St. Mary's county, James Forrest and Raphael Neale, Esqs ; For Kent county, Morgan Brown and Frederick Boyer, Esqs ; for Anne-Arundel county, Thomas B. Dorsey and Thomas Sellman, Esqs ; for Calvert county, Benjamin Gray and Richard Graham, Esqs ; for Charles county, Clement Dorsey and Nicholas Stonestreet, Esqs ; for Baltimore county, George P. Stevenson and George Harryman, Esqs ; for Talbot county, John Leeds Kerr and Allen Bowie, Esqs ; for Somerset county, Thomas Bayley and George W. Jackson, Esqs ; for Dorchester county, Ezekiel Richardson and Robert Hart, Esqs ; for Cæcil county, James Scanlan and James Janney, Esqs ; for Prince-George's county, Francis M. Hall and Edward H. Calvert, Esqs ; for the city of Annapolis, William Kilty, Esq ; for Queen-Anne's county, George Palmer and Gustavus W. T. Wright, Esqs ; for Worcester county, Ephraim K. Wilson and Thomas N. Williams, Esqs ; for Frederick county, Roger B. Taney and John Graham, Esqs ; for Harford county, John Forwood and Jacob Michael, Esqs ; for Caroline county, William Potter and George Reed, Esqs ; for the city of Baltimore, Joseph H. Nicholson, Esq ; for Washington county, John Thompson Mason and Frisby Tilghman, Esqs ; for Montgomery county, Robert P. Magruder and Abraham Jones, Esqs ; for Allegany county, William M. Mahon and William Hilleary, Esqs.

All which is respectfully submitted,

Which report was concurred with.

On motion, the electors proceeded to ballot for the senate. The ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen appointed to examine the same retired, and after some time returned and reported, that the following persons, resident of the western shore, had the greatest number of votes, to wit : John E. Howard twenty-eight votes, George Winchester twenty-eight votes, John Leigh twenty-eight votes, Clement Dorsey twenty-seven votes, Roger B. Taney twenty-seven votes, Roger Perry twenty eight votes, Peter Emerson twenty-four votes, Archibald Van-Horn twenty seven votes, Robert P. Magruder twenty six votes. And the following persons, residents of the eastern shore, had the greatest number of votes : Levin Gale twenty-eight votes, William Spencer twenty-eight votes, Henry Hollyday twenty-seven votes, Joseph E. Muse twenty-eight votes, William Hughlett twenty-seven votes, George W. Jackson twenty-seven votes.

Whereupon it is accordingly declared and returned, that the above named gentlemen are duly elected the senate of Maryland, as prescribed by the constitution and form of government.

And these our proceedings, we the electors do hereby certify, under our hands, and return the same to the chancellor of Maryland, agreeably to the directions of the constitution and form of government of the state.

Done in the senate chamber, at the city of Annapolis, the place for convening the legislature, this seventeenth day of September, in the year eighteen hundred and sixteen.

J. GRAHAM, President.

The committee further report, that they have carefully examined the above proceedings and returns of the electors, and find that the following gentlemen are duly elected senators :

John E. Howard, George Winchester, John Leigh, Clement Dorsey, Roger B. Taney, Roger Perry, Peter Emerson, Archibald Van-Horn, Robert P. Magruder, Levin Gale, William Spencer, Henry Hollyday, Joseph E. Muse, William Hughlett, and George W. Jackson.

Which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the committee

T. J. BRICE, Clk.

Which was read and concurred with.

On motion by Mr. Winchester, Ordered, that Messrs. Leigh and Magruder wait on the Reverend Henry L. Davis, and inform him that the senate request he will perform divine service every morning at the senate ; which was read the first and second time and concurred in.

Mr. Jackson from the committee appointed to report rules and regulations to be observed in the senate, delivers the following report :

The committee appointed to prepare rules and regulations for the government of the senate, beg leave to submit the following report :

Rule 1st. The president shall take the chair at the hour of meeting.

2d. Every member shall take his seat when the president takes the chair, and remain uncovered until the senate rises.

3d. The names of the senators shall be called in alphabetical order, and the absent members, if any, sent for.

4th. The president having taken the chair, a quorum being present, the journal of the preceding day shall be read, that any mistakes that shall have been made in the entries may be corrected.

5th. Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place and address himself to the president.

6th. No member at the time of his speaking shall name any other by his proper name, but use some other distinction.

7th. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question without leave of the senate, no more than once until every member choosing to speak may have spoken.

8th. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time the president shall determine who shall speak first.

9th. If a member when speaking is called to order by the president, or any other member, he shall cease speaking, and take his seat, until it is determined whether he is in order or not ; and all questions of order shall be determined in the first instance by the president, without debate, but every member shall have a right to appeal from his decision to the judgment of the senate.

10th. Every bill or resolution brought in by a member, or received from the house of delegates, shall be read on two several days, with an intermission of one day at least, during which time it shall lie for the perusal of the members, unless it be read a second time by special order ; and no bill or other matter of