

OF THE SENATE

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- 12th. Every bill or resolution received from the house of delegates shall be committed to a special committee, if requested by any member.
- 13th. All questions shall be determined by a majority of the attending members.
- 14th. Every question shall be entered on the journal, and the votes taken by yeas and nays if required by any member.
- 15th. The name of every member making a motion for leave to bring in a bill, to amend a bill or resolution, when the yeas and nays are called for, presenting a petition, or proposing a resolution, shall be entered on the journal.
- 16th. The president may not enter into debate, but may vote on every question.
- 17th. All committees of the senate, or conferrees, shall be appointed by the president, unless specially required by a member, when they shall be elected by ballot, the number in no case to exceed five.
- 18th. No member shall depart without leave.
- 19th. No rule shall be dispensed with without the concurrence of two thirds of the members present.
- 20th. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received, unless to amend, to commit, for the previous question, to postpone it to a day certain, or to adjourn.
- 21st. A motion to adjourn shall be always in order, and shall be decided without debate.
- 22d. 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 person shall speak more than once on the previous question.
- 23d. Any member may call for the division of a question where the sense will admit of it.
- 24th. No motion for reconsideration shall be received unless made by a member, and seconded by another, each of whom voted in the majority on the question in the first instance.
- 25th. That the assistant clerk of the senate lay upon the desk of the president, every morning, as soon as the senate is formed, all the bills, resolutions and motions, depending before the senate, in the order of time in which they were reported or presented for consideration, and that at all times while the senate is sitting, when no motion is under consideration, the president shall, without any motion, take up said bills, resolutions and motions, in the above order, and propose them for the consideration of the senate, and they shall then be considered and acted upon, unless postponed by the order of the senate.

By order, T. J. BRICE, Com. Clk.

Mr. Carmichael presented the petition of John De Bentelo De Sylve; which was read and referred to Messrs. Carmichael, Hollyday and Gale, to consider and report thereon.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 12, 1818.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have appointed Messrs. Jenifer, Lecompte and Marriott, a committee to join such gentlemen as may be selected by your body, to examine and report the situation of the furniture in the government house, and what sum of money, if any, will be requisite to furnish the same.

By order, J BREWER, Clk.

Which was read.

Also a resolution in favour of the treasurer of the eastern shore; which was read a first and second time by special order, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates with the following message:

BY THE SENATE, December 12, 1818.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have appointed Messrs. Gale and Jackson a committee on the part of the senate to unite with the gentlemen named in your message, to examine and report the situation of the furniture in the government house, and what sum of money, if any, will be requisite to furnish the same.

By order, R. HARWOOD, Clk.

The senate adjourns until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, December 14, 1818.

The senate met. Present the same members as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Calvert appeared in the senate. Mr. George D. Parnham, and Mr. Taney appeared in the senate, qualified, and took their seats.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 14, 1818.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

This being the day prescribed by the constitution and form of government for the election of Governor of this state, we purpose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to make the election at 12 o'clock to day. Frisby Tilghman, esq. and Charles Goldsborough, esq. of Dorchester county, are put in nomination by this house, and Messrs. Harrison and Steel are named by this house to join such gentlemen as may be named by you to count the ballots, and report thereon.

By order, J. BREWER, Clk.

Which was read.

And the following bills: A bill, entitled, An act to authorise and direct the levy court of Charles county, to levy the sum therein mentioned for the purpose of building a court-house in said county. And a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Knott and Elizabeth Bothick of Saint Mary's county; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

BY THE SENATE, Dec. 14, 1818.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate are prepared to proceed to the election of a governor for the ensuing year. No other persons are put in nomination by the senate, than those mentioned in your message. We have appointed Messrs. Carmichael and Winchester, to join the gentlemen of your house, to examine and count the ballots.

By order, R. HARWOOD Clk.

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 were de-