

4 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1803.

Horn, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. E. Davis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Gantt and Mr. Wilson, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, **ORDERED**, That Mr. Muir inform the reverend Mr. Wyatt, that the house request he will perform divine service every morning at the meeting of the house.

The house proceeded to ballot for committee clerks, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Archibald Golder, Louis Gassaway, Daniel C. Hopper, Charles Williamson and William Bowers, were elected. **ORDERED**, That they be qualified.

The house appointed Mr. Clarke, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Hatcheson, Mr. Mercer and Mr. Shaaff, a committee to report such rules as are proper to be observed during the present session.

The house adjourns till 6 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

THE house met.

Mr. Solomon Frazier, a delegate returned for Dorchester county, and Mr. John Young, a delegate returned for Caroline county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took their seats in the house.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, November 9, 1803.

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

A petition from John Arnold, of Allegany county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

RESOLVED, That this house will sit, for the dispatch of public business during the present session, from nine o'clock in the forenoon till three o'clock in the afternoon.

A petition from Thomas Parvin, of Frederick county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Shriver, Mr. Clarke and Mr. Van-Horn, to consider and report thereon.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the treasurer of the western shore, enclosing an extract from the proceedings of the stockholders of the Patowmack company at their annual meeting in George-town; which was read.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the trustee of the state, enclosing an account current of funded stock to the 31st of October, 1803, inclusive, also an account current of interest and principal received on said stock to the same period; which was read.

The house proceeded to ballot for a committee to inspect and examine the returns of elections, and report whether they have been made agreeably to the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Mr. Clarke, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Swearingen, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Gantt, Mr. Williams and Mr. Wood, were elected.

ORDERED, That they have full power to send for persons, papers and records.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the auditor-general, enclosing the western shore treasurer's account, as charged on the auditor's books, also an estimate of the state debt up to the first of November, 1803; which was read.

The house proceeded to ballot for a committee of claims; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Mr. Frazier, Mr. Dugan, Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Veatch, Mr. Ireland and Mr. Sturgis, were elected.

The house proceeded to ballot for a committee of grievances and courts of justice; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Mr. Clarke, Mr. Harwood, Mr. Kershner, Mr. Angier and Mr. Wilson, were elected.

ORDERED, That they have power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Clarke, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee appointed to report the rules proper to be observed during this session, beg leave to submit the following:

1. At the hour appointed for sitting the roll of the house shall be called over, and the absent members, if any, sent for.
2. Every member shall take his seat when the speaker takes the chair, and remain uncovered till the house rises.
3. Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall rise, and respectfully address himself to the speaker.
4. No member, at the time of speaking in any debate, shall name any other by his proper name, but shall use some other distinction.