

- 1788 Thomas Johnson—refused.
 1788 John Eager Howard.
 1719 George Plater—died 1792.
 1792 Thomas Sim Lee.
 1794 John H. Stone.
 1797 John Henry.
 1798 Benjamin Ogle,
 1801 John F. Mercer.
 1803 Robert Bowie.
 1806 Robert Wright—resigned May 6th, 1807
 1807 Edward Lloyd.
 1811 Robert Bowie.
 1812 Levin Winder.
 1815 Charles Ridgely, of Hampton.
 1818 Charles Goldsborough.
 1819 Samuel Sprigg.
 1822 Samuel Stevens.
 1826 Joseph Kent.

The governor according to the constitution of Maryland, is elected by joint ballot of both branches of the legislature on the first Monday of January, annually. After having served for three years, the same person is ineligible for four years next succeeding. He signs and seals the laws; but has no negative upon their passage — He possesses the power to pardon for offences, and issues *noli prosiques*. He is commander-in-chief of the militia of the state; but shall not take personal command of troops on duty, without leave of the council. He nominates, and by and with the advice and consent of the coun-