

*For Caroline County*—Robert H. McKnett and Zabdiel W. Potter, Esquires.

*For Baltimore City*—Elijah Stansbury, Nathaniel Williams, David C. Springer and Francis Gallagher, Esquires.

*For Washington County*—William B. Clarke, Hezekiah Boteler, Isaac Motter, John D. Hart and Charles A. Fletcher, Esquires.

*For Montgomery County*—William B. Howard, Samuel D. Waters, George C. Patterson and Alexander Kilgour Esquires.

*For Allegany County*--Michael C. Sprigg, Patrick Hammill, John Neff and James Fitzpatrick, Esquires.

*For Carroll County*—James Raymond, Joseph Ebaugh, John Thompson and Micajah Rogers, Esquires.

A sufficient number of Delegates being convened, they severally qualified in the presence of each other, agreeably to the Constitution and Form of Government; and then adjourned until to-morrow morning 12 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, December 31st, 1844.

The House met, on the call of the roll the following members were present:

Messrs. Ford, of St. Mary's, Thomas, Hopewell, Tilden, Hollyday, of Kent, Spencer, Stewart, Worthington, of A. A., Lynch, Johnson, of A. A., Hance, Morsell, Hellen, Chapman, Freeman, Walker, Stansbury, of Balt county, Randall, Ware, Harrington, Bowdle, Goldsborough, Long, Phillips, Lankford, Williams, of Som. Muse, Frazier, Keene, Tall, Bouchell, Hollyday, of Cecil, Maffitt, Harris, Calvert, Ghiselin, Sprigg, of P. George's, Wootton, Harrison, Ford, of Queen Ann's, George, Henry, Purnell, Lambden, Fooks, Shriver, Biser, Worthington, of Frederick, Johnson, of Frederick, Poole, Polk, Archer, Amos, Yellott, McKnett, Potter, Stansbury, of Baltimore city, Williams, of Baltimore, city, Springer, Gallagher, Clarke, Boteler, Motter, Hart, Fletcher, Howard, Waters, Patterson, Kilgour, Sprigg, of Allegany, Hammill, Neff, Fitzpatrick, Ebaugh, Thompson and Rogers.

John J. Graves, Esquire, a delegate returned from the city of Baltimore, appeared, qualified, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Wootton,

The House proceeded to ballot for a Speaker.

John G. Chapman, Esquire, being put in nomination for the office of Speaker of the House of Delegates, and the ballots being taken and counted by Messrs Wootton and Shriver, tellers, it ap-