

have your forbearance, your indulgence, and your ready and effective aid, at all times, he cannot succeed in this duty. It is the House itself sometimes that he must restrain—he who is but the agent, and only one, of that House. In discharging the duties of this place, I can only promise the sincere endeavor to aid the labors of this House, so important now, when even the duration of a session in anticipation of the regular Assembly, may be too short for the work before us. I count upon your aid; and with that, I feel sure, our success, so far as it depends on the mode of conducting our business, will be complete. Gentlemen, let us so conduct the business of this House, that when we shall have finished it we shall have nothing to regret, either in what has been done or in the mode of doing it. Let us be able to say at parting, that notwithstanding inevitable, and perhaps irreconcilable differences of opinion as to matters of detail—nay, because such differences were irreconcilable—we continued and ended, as we began, with a determination to work together for the public service; to that end, sacrificing all personal opinions and preferences, which did not involve conscience or conviction of duty and patriotism.

I thank you, gentlemen, for the honor you have conferred. I respectfully invite your assistance, to aid me in its duties.

Mr. Davis, of Montgomery, offered the following order:

Ordered, That T. Snowden Thomas, of Cecil county, be Chief Clerk of the present House of Delegates; James Milnor, of Baltimore city, Reading Clerk; Leonard Picking, of Frederick county, Issac Gibbons, of Somerset county, Thomas England, of Montgomery county, John H. Baker, of Harford county, Harrison Swartzwelder, of Allegany county, and Otho Shipley, of Carroll county, Committee Clerks; Oliver Wood, of Baltimore city, Sergeant-at-Arms; Jacob Long, of Washington county, and James R. Donoho, of Dorchester county, Doorkeepers; William R. Hammond, of Worcester county, Post Master; and Esma Lowe, of Caroline county, Folder, to the present House of Delegates.

Mr. Magruder offered to amend the order by striking out the name of T. Snowden Thomas and inserting the name of Milton Y. Kidd, in lieu thereof;

Which was rejected.

The question then recurring upon the original order, it was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hammond, of Howard,

It was ordered, That the Speaker be qualified by a Member of the House.