

delegates returned for Cecil county. Samuel Barnes, esq. a delegate returned for Frederick county. James Montgomery, James W. Williams, and Henry Hall, esqrs. delegates returned for Harford county. Robert T. Keene, esq. a delegate returned for Caroline county. John S. Tyson, esq. a delegate returned for the city of Baltimore. Joseph I. Merrick, and Thomas Kennedy, esqrs. delegates returned for Washington county. John W. Lansdale, Archibald Lee, Edward Hughes and Otho Willson, esqrs. delegates returned for Montgomery county. William Reid, Thomas Blair, and Robert Armstrong, esqrs. delegates returned for Allegany county, appeared, who severally qualified in the presence of each other, in the manner prescribed by the constitution and form of government.

The house proceeded to ballot for a speaker; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof it appeared, that Benedict I Semmes, esq. was elected.

The house proceeded to ballot for a chief clerk; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike, reported that John Brewer was elected. Ordered that he be qualified as such.

The house proceeded to ballot for an assistant clerk; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike, reported that Gideon Pearce was elected. Ordered that he be qualified as such.

The house proceeded to the election of a sergeant at arms; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box the gentlemen named to strike reported, that Gotleb I. Grammer was elected. Ordered that he qualify as such.

John Quynn, was appointed door keeper. Ordered that he qualify as such.

On motion by Mr. Kennedy, Ordered, That the members of this house, in respect to the memory of the late Levin R. King, esq. deceased, a delegate elect and returned for Somerset county, wear a scarf on their left arm for thirty days.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, Ordered, That the speaker be requested to issue a warrant for an election to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of Levin Rufus King, esq. a delegate returned for Somerset county.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, Ordered, That the three persons on the western shore, and the two persons on the eastern shore, having the greatest number of ballots, be the committee clerks of this house.

The house proceeded to ballot for committee clerks; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike, reported that Isaac Hines and William H. Emory, were elected for the eastern shore; that Alexander McIlhenny and Jeremiah M. Baden, were elected for the western shore; and that William Smith and Thomas Johns received an equal number of votes. Ordered, That those elected, qualify as such.

On motion by Mr. Willson, Ordered, That Messrs. Willson and Beall be appointed to call on the Rev. Mr. Smith, and request his attendance in this house every morning, to perform divine service.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the following order was read: Ordered, That the following standing committees be appointed by the speaker. 1st. A committee of ways and means, to consist of seven members. 2d. A committee of claims, to consist of seven members. 3d. A committee of elections and privileges, to consist of seven members. 4th. A