

ed to the governor to be commissioned as register of wills for Anne Arundel county. We have appointed Messrs Marriott and Archer to count the ballots. No person is named in addition to those put in nomination by this house.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

On motion by Mr. Barney, the following message was read, assented to, and sent to the senate.  
BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec 13, 1820.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

The term for which the honourable William Pinkney, one of the senators of the United States, was elected will expire on the 4th March next. We propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to elect a senator of the United States on Tuesday next. We have fixed on this early day because at this time the members of the legislature are all at the seat of government

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

Mr Dennis presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying that the securities of William S Handy may be released; which was read and referred to Messrs. Dennis, Dashiell and Polk

On motion by Mr. Polk, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for establishing the titles and bounds of land, and for other purposes Ordered, That Messrs. Polk, Marriott and Boyle, prepare and bring in the same

The bill to enlarge the powers of the levy court for Baltimore county in the cases therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate

The bill annulling the marriage of Thomas Knock, and Margaret Knock, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. T. Kennedy, the following message was read, assented to, and sent to the senate.  
BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 13, 1820.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

John Stephen, Thomas W Wilkinson, Grafton Duvall, James Butcher, and James Nabb, Esquires, having been elected the council to the governor of this state, we propose that a joint letter be written by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates, and forwarded to each of the gentlemen elect, to notify them of their election, and requesting their immediate attendance at the seat of government.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

Mr King reports a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the destruction of oysters in this state, which was read

On motion by Mr Snowden, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to authorise William Jordan, collector of the 6th collection district of Baltimore county, a further time to complete his collection. Ordered, That Messrs. Snowden, Orrick and Showers, report the same.

The bill for the benefit of George Lash, of Baltimore county, was read the second time and passed.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution respecting the members and officers of the legislature and electors of president and vice-president, endorsed "assented to"

Mr Millard reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise James H. Wathen, of Saint Mary's county, to complete his collections; which was read.

Mr. Jackson and Mr Parnham from the senate acquaint the speaker, that the governor elect is attending in the senate room, and the senate request his attendance, with the members of the house of delegates, in the senate room, to see the governor qualified.

The speaker left the chair, and attended by the members of this house, went to the senate room, where his excellency qualified in the presence of both houses, by subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, by taking the several oaths required by the constitution and form of government, the oath of office directed by the act of assembly, and by taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States.

The speaker, attended by the members of this house, returned and resumed the chair.

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

THURSDAY, December 14, 1820.

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

The bill for the benefit of George Lash, of Baltimore county, was sent to the senate.

Mr W. Eccleston presents a petition from Henry Lord; which was read and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr Gabby presents a petition from David Waggaman, of Washington county, praying a special act of insolvency; which was read and referred to Messrs. Gabby, Bowles and Kershner

Mr. Edelen presents a petition from John Wapole, of Charles county; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on out pensions.

The speaker laid before the house a return from the clerk of Washington county, the clerk of the court of appeals for the eastern shore, and clerk of Talbot county; which were read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

The bill authorising Samuel Stone, of Baltimore county, to keep gates on the road therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr J Forrest presents a petition from Rebecca Covington, Benjamin L. C. Wailes, and Alexander Covington, praying for a sale of part of the real estate of General Leonard Covington, deceased; which was read and referred to Messrs J. Forrest, Kent and Maulsby

Mr Hayward presents a petition from James Ridgaway, of Talbot county, praying that the returns made by the administrator of James Clayland, late sheriff, of proceedings had under certain writs directed to him, be made as valid, as if made by him in his lifetime; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hayward, S Stevens and N. Martin.

Mr. Lake reports a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act passed at December session eighteen hundred