

report to this house what amendment, if any, is necessary to be made to the said law, in order to remedy fully the above mentioned defects.

Messrs. Banning and Buchanan announced to the Speaker and the house, that they had, conjointly with the gentlemen appointed on the part of the senate, waited on his excellency the governor elect, who informed them that he would attend in the senate chamber at one o'clock to-morrow, for the purpose of qualifying in conformity with the constitution and form of government.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, January 2, 1827.

The house met. Were present, the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill for the relief of John Wheeler, of Dorchester county, passed this house yesterday, was sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Buchanan, the following message was twice read.

By the House of Delegates, January 2, 1827.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We propose with your concurrence, to proceed at 11 o'clock this day to elect, in conformity with the constitution, a council to the governor, and Messrs. — residents of the western shore, and Messrs. — residents of the eastern shore, are put in nomination by this house; and we have appointed Messrs. — to count the joint ballot of both houses, in conjunction with the gentlemen who may be named by you. And we have ordered our committee to make a return thereof agreeably to the 26th section of the constitution, which provides that a council to the governor shall be elected in the same manner as senators are directed to be chosen, viz. Three fifths to be residents of the western shore and two fifths of the eastern shore.

The first blank was filled up by the insertion of the names of Joseph Gabby, John R. E. Chesley, Lewis Duvall, Otho Scott and William Stewart, and the second blank with the names of William Hayward, junior, Arnold E. Jones, Daniel Martin and James Parker, the several gentlemen put in nomination; and the third blank was filled up by inserting the names of Buchanan and Tidball, as tellers.

Mr. Hall moved to strike out the last paragraph from the said message, in reference to the constitutional proportion of the members of the executive council to be assigned to the western and eastern shores respectively; but after some discussion thereon, by permission of the house, he withdrew his motion.

Mr. Crabb moved the following as a substitute; which being read, and the blank filled up with the names of the