

The Speaker laid before the house a report of the treasurer for the western shore to this house, in obedience to its order of the 28th ultimo, 'that he report, as soon as practicable, the amount of revenue received in 1826 from each of the several officers of the state, under the provisions of the acts to tax certain offices' which was read and referred to the committee appointed to prepare and report a bill to repeal the acts taxing certain offices.

On motion by Mr. Hall, the following message was twice read, agreed to, and sent to the senate:

By the House of Delegates, January 3, 1827.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

Joseph Gabby, William Stewart, Otho Scott, Daniel Martin, and Arnold E. Jones, 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 by the mail to each of the gentlemen elect, to notify them of their election, and requesting their immediate attendance at the seat of government.

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

By the House of Delegates, 3d January, 1827.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have appointed on the part of this house \_\_\_\_\_, to act in conjunction with such gentlemen as it may be the pleasure of your honorable body to nominate, as a committee of both houses, for the purpose of comparing and examining the engrossed bills.

On motion by Mr. Banning, the blank was ordered to be filled up by the Speaker, who accordingly appointed Messrs. Banning, Goldsborough, Edward Hughes, Sappington, Crabb, Done and Dennis, as the committee on the part of this house for the purpose therein mentioned, and with whose names the blank was filled up. The message was then agreed to and sent to the senate.

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

By the House of Delegates, 3d January, 1827.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

The messages which have been interchanged between this house and your honourable body, upon the subject of the appointment of registers of wills for Washington and St. Mary's counties, are silent as to the number of votes which shall be necessary to elect, we therefore propose to your honourable body, that a majority of the whole number of votes on joint ballot shall be necessary to the election of either candidate, and we propose to go into the election immediately.