

That in case of death, disqualification, resignation, or removal out of the state, of any person chosen a delegate to congress, no ballot shall be taken to exclude such person, but such death, disqualification, resignation, or removal, shall be considered as making such rotation or change in the delegation to congress as the form of government requires.

That the election of delegates to congress be annually on the Friday next after the second Monday in November.

That where any delegate to congress shall be excluded from the nomination by ballot, and a vacancy shall thereafter happen, by the death, disqualification, resignation, or removal out of the state, of any delegate who has served for the preceding year, such person, so excluded, may be eligible at any subsequent election; and in case four of the members who have served the preceding year be not elected into the delegation, then any member, so excluded as aforesaid, may be elected to fill any subsequent vacancy, so that not more than four of the delegates of the preceding year be continued in the delegation at one and the same time.

Signed by order conferrees,

J. CALLAHAN, clk.

Which was read and concurred with.

Messieurs Deye and Alexander, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the engrossed bill No. 3, with the paper bill thereof, which engrossed bill was thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, April 7, 1780: Read and assented to."

"By order,

F. GREEN, clk."

Messieurs Deye and J. Stevenson, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Robert Long, thus endorsed; "By the house of delegates, April 7, 1780: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

"By the house of delegates, April 7, 1780: Read the second time by especial order and will pass."

"By order,

F. GREEN, clk."

The following message and resolve were sent to the house of delegates by William Hindman, Esq;

BY THE SENATE, APRIL 7, 1780.

GENTLEMEN,

UNDER the present circumstances, we think it proper to add one delegate to the usual number, and therefore have passed the resolve annexed, which, if concurred with by your house, will serve to extricate us from some peculiar difficulties attending the present proposed appointment of one delegate; and we shall be ready this afternoon to ballot for one or two delegates, as you may think proper.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

BY THE SENATE, APRIL 7, 1780.

RESOLVED, That two delegates be appointed to congress for the present year, in addition to the gentlemen already chosen.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

The senate adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The senate met.

A certificate of the qualification of Mr. Maccubbin was produced and filed.

On motion, the question was put, That the senate now consider the bill, entitled, An act for the seizure and confiscation of British property within this state? Carried in the negative.

N E G A T I V E.

Honourable Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esq; president, Honourable Robert Goldsborough, Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Thomas Stone, William Hindman, Upton Sheredine, and William Hemsley, Esquires.

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Honourable Brice T. B. Worthington and Richard Barnes, Esquires.

The address of the officers of the Maryland line was read, referred to the consideration of the house of delegates, and sent by Richard Barnes, Esq;

Messieurs J. Hall and John Henry, from the house of delegates, deliver to the president the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APRIL 7, 1780.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE have assented to your resolution for naming two delegates to congress in addition to those already chosen, and propose to ballot for them this afternoon; Norman Bruce, Esq; is named to be balloted for by this house, together with those mentioned in our message of this forenoon.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

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