

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1788. 9

the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room; and after examining the ballots returned and reported, that the honourable Joshua Seney, Benjamin Contee and David Ross, Esquires, were unanimously elected; whereupon it is declared in the senate, that the honourable Joshua Seney, Benjamin Contee and David Ross, Esquires, are duly elected to represent this state in congress until the meeting of congress under the new federal government.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, December 2, 1788.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The honourable John Smith, Esquire, appeared in the senate, and qualified before Allen Quynn, Esquire, one of the justices of the peace for Anne-Arundel county, by taking the oaths directed by the constitution and form of government, and subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion.

The bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of disabled and maimed officers, soldiers, marines and seamen, was read the second time by especial order and will pass.

The resolution respecting Samuel Groom Osborne, was read the second time by especial order and dissented to.

The president lays before the senate a memorial and petition from Isaac and Abraham Vanbibber, respecting the interest upon certain certificates; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The senate adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

W E D N E S D A Y, December 3, 1788.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of disabled and maimed officers, soldiers, marines and seamen; the resolution respecting Samuel Groom Osborne; and the memorial and petition of Isaac and Abraham Vanbibber; were sent to the house of delegates by John Henry, Esquire.

Mr. Ridgely, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Jehu Bowen, a late officer in the continental army, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 27, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 3, 1788: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, ORDERED, That John Henry, George Gale and Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquires, be a committee to prepare a message to the house of delegates upon the subject of electing senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States.

John Henry, Esquire, from the committee appointed to prepare a message to the house of delegates upon the subject of electing senators, brings in and delivers to the president the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 3, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

AS the appointment of senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States may tend to forward the business of the session, we propose that Saturday the sixth day of this present month be appointed to choose two senators, one of whom to be a resident of the western, the other of the eastern shore. We think the following mode should be pursued on the present occasion: We propose that two senators be chosen by the joint ballot of both houses, and that the two having a majority of votes of all the attending members of the whole legislature, be declared to be duly elected. The resolution herewith transmitted is framed in conformity to the above mode, which we hope will meet your approbation.

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The following resolution was prepared, read the first and second time and assented to.

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 3, 1788.

RESOLVED, That Saturday the sixth day of this present month be appointed for choosing two senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States, one of whom to be resident of the western, and the other of the eastern shore, to be chosen by the joint ballot of both houses, and that the two persons having a majority of votes of all the attending members of both houses, be declared to be duly elected senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States for the term of six years, subject nevertheless to the rotation established by the constitution of the United States; and that a commission shall issue to the said senators appointed as aforesaid, signed by the governor for the time being, or in his absence by the presiding member of the council, in the following words, to wit: To \_\_\_\_\_ The legislature of the state of Maryland reposing special trust and confidence in your diligence, integrity, wisdom and fidelity, hath appointed you a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States for the term of six years, subject nevertheless to the rotation prescribed by the constitution of the United States. Given under my hand and the seal of the state this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ Anno Domini \_\_\_\_\_

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

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