

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1802.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 8, 1802.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE are ready to proceed to the election of governor, agreeably to your message. James Murray, Esquire, put in nomination by this house, in addition to John Francis Mercer, Esquire. Mr. Nelson and Mr. Wilson are appointed to act in conjunction with the members proposed by you to examine the ballots.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

The senate having previously qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the election of a governor; the ballot box being prepared, the ballots deposited therein and sealed up, was delivered to the committee of the senate appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who reported to the conference room, and after examination of the ballots returned and reported, that John Francis Mercer had fifty-three votes, and James Murray twenty-two votes.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that John Francis Mercer is duly elected governor of Maryland.

The following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 8, 1802.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

THE joint committee of both houses having reported that the honourable John Francis Mercer is elected governor, we think proper to notify the same to him, and request his attendance in the senate room to qualify agreeably to the constitution and form of government. We have appointed Mr. Ringgold and Mr. Hayward to join any members of your house for that purpose.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 8, 1802.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have appointed Mr. Nelson and Mr. Bowie to wait on the governor elect, for the purpose of requesting his attendance in the senate room to qualify agreeably to the constitution and form of government of this state.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

John Francis Mercer, the governor elect, attending in the senate room, ORDERED, That Mr. Johnson and Mr. Houston inform the house of delegates that John Francis Mercer, the governor elect, is attending in the senate room to qualify as governor of the state of Maryland, and request their attendance.

The speaker, attended by the members of the house of delegates, appeared in the senate room, and John Francis Mercer qualified as governor before the president of the senate, in the presence of both houses, by taking the oaths directed by the constitution and form of government, the oath of office prescribed by law, and taking an oath to support the constitution of the United States, and also by subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

## T U E S D A Y, November 9, 1802.

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

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the salary of members of the council for the ensuing year, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 9, 1802: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

Which was read the first and second time by a special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Baltimore, praying that a law may pass making a road, commonly called Bridge-street Continued, from its intersection with Union-street to its junction with a road leading from Smith's mill to Hillin's hay-scales, a public highway, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Worthington, Mr. McCulloch and Mr. Houston, to consider and report thereon.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 9, 1802.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE propose to proceed immediately to the election of a council to the governor. Edward Hall, Francis Gages, Davidson David, Reverdy Ghiselin, Allen Bowie Duckett, Thomas Buchanan, Arthur Shaaff, John Davidson, Samuel Ridout and John Gibson, Esquires, are put in nomination by this house. We have appointed Mr. Nelson and Mr. Quinton to join any gentlemen named by your house to examine the ballots.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.