

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

[BEING THE FIRST SESSION OF THIS ASSEMBLY.]

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1812.

THIS being the day appointed by the constitution and form of government, for the meeting of the general Assembly of this State, the following members appeared, viz :

For Saint Mary's county.—Enoch Millard, John R. Plater, Gerard N. Causin and Thomas Blackstone, Esqrs.

For Kent county.—Frederick Boyer, William R. Stewart and Cuthbert Hall, Esqrs.

For Anne Arundel county.—William H. Marriott, John S. Belt, William Hall, (3d) and Zachariah Duvall, Esqrs.

For Calvert county.—Thomas Reynolds, Michael Taney and Peter Emerson, Esqrs.

For Charles county.—Clement Dorsey, John E. Ford and George D. Parnham, Esqrs.

For Baltimore county.—George Warner and Beale Randall, Esqrs.

For Talbot county.—Edward N. Hambleton, Jabez Caldwell, Robert Banning and David Kerr, Esqrs.

For Somerset county.—Thomas Bailey, Henry K. Long, Arnold E Jones and Esme Marshall Waller, Esqrs.

For Dorchester county.—John Stewart, Benjamin Lecompte, Richard Tootell and Edward Griffith, Esqrs.

For Cecil county.—William Lusby and Samuel Hogg, Esqrs.

For Prince George's county.—John C. Herbert, Francis M. Hall, James Somervell and Henry A. Wallis, Esqrs.

For the City of Annapolis.—Dennis Claude and Lewis Duvall, Esqrs.

For Worcester county.—Thomas N. Williams, Ephraim K. Wilson, Robert I. H. Handy and Littleton Quinton, Esqrs.

For Frederick county.—John Graham, Ignatius Davis, Richard Potts and Joshua Delaplane, Esqrs.

For Harford county.—John Forwood, (of William) and John Forwood, (of Jacob) Esqrs.

For Caroline county.—William Potter and William M'Donald, Esqrs.

For the City of Baltimore.—James L. Donaldson, Esqr.

For Washington county.—John Bowles, Henry Lewis, William B. Williams and William O. Sprigg, Esqrs.

For Montgomery county.—Abraham Jones, Richard I. Crabb and John H. Riggs, Esqrs.

For Allegany county.—George M'Culloch, George Robinett, (of Nathan) and James D. Cresap, Esqrs.

A sufficient number of delegates being convened, they severally qualified in the presence of each other, by taking the several oaths required by the constitution and form of government ; by subscribing a declaration of their belief in the christian religion, and by taking, repeating and subscribing the oath to support the constitution of the United States.

The house proceeded to ballot for a speaker ; the ballots being deposited in the ballot-box, on examination thereof, it appeared that John C. Herbert, Esq. was unanimously elected.

The house proceeded to ballot for a clerk ; the ballots being deposited in the ballot-box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported that Mr. Upton Scott Reid was elected. *Ordered*, That he be qualified as such, by taking the several oaths required ; by subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, and by taking an oath that he will honestly, faithfully and diligently discharge the office of clerk to the house of delegates, and that he will not reveal or disclose the secrets thereof.

The house proceeded to ballot for an assistant clerk ; the ballots being deposited in the ballot-box, gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported that Mr. Gideon

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