

ch defence, if a sufficient sum of money were appropriated to supply the troops now engaged in  
at service, with winter clothing sufficient to protect them from the inclemency of the approaching  
ason.

We have the honor to be, with high consideration and respect, your obedient servants,

ROBERT BOWIE.

Which were read and referred to Messrs. Dorsey, Potts, Wilson, Donaldson and Sanders.  
The house proceeded to ballot for a committee of claims; the ballots being deposited in the ballot-  
box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported that Messrs.  
Young, Graham, Evans, Thomas N. Williams, Emerson, McCulloch and Bowles were elected.  
The following message was read and agreed to:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Nov. 3, 1812.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

YOUR Message of this morning we have received. A quorum of the House of Delegates being  
so assembled, we are ready to proceed to business. The time of sitting appointed by us, is from  
nine o'clock in the morning, until three in the afternoon.

By order,

UPTON S. REID, Clk.

The house proceeded to ballot for a committee of elections; the ballots being deposited in the ballot-  
box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported that Messrs.  
Wilson, Potter, Taney and Sprigg were elected.

On motion, *Ordered*, That Mr. Plater and Mr. Donaldson wait upon his Excellency the Governor,  
and inform him that this house having met, are ready to proceed to public business, and to receive any  
communication he may think proper to lay before them.

Mr. Donaldson delivers a petition from William Merryman, late sheriff of Baltimore county, pray-  
ing that he may be authorised to complete his collections; which was read and referred to Messrs.  
Donaldson, Warner and Barney.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act for the promotion of lite-  
rature in this state, and for the renewal of the charters of the several Banks therein mentioned. *Or-  
dered*, That Messrs. Dorsey, Evans, Taney, Hambleton, Potter, Donaldson and Marriott be a com-  
mittee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion the house proceeded to ballot for a committee of grievances and courts of justice; the  
ballots being deposited in the ballot-box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time  
returned and reported that Messrs. Dorsey, Potts, Hambleton, Crabb, Causin, Bayley and Donaldson  
were elected. *Ordered*, That they have power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Hambleton delivers a memorial from John Selt of Talbot county, stating that he ought to  
have been returned as one of the delegates to the General Assembly, instead of David Kerr, Esq. and  
praying that the seat of Mr. Kerr may be vacated; which was read and referred to the committee of  
elections.

On motion of Mr. Lecompte, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act entitled, a supplement to  
the act of seventeen hundred and eighty-five, and the supplementary acts thereto, which provide for  
the poor of Dorchester county, and to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned. *Ordered*, That  
Messrs. Lecompte, Stewart and Griffith be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Randall delivers a petition from Conrad Kerlinger, of Baltimore county, praying that a law  
may pass to correct an error in a deed in the petition mentioned; which was read and referred to  
Messrs. Randall, Warner and Barney.

The speaker laid before the house reports of the clerks of St. Mary's, Queen Ann's, Anne Arun-  
del, Harford and Somerset counties, relative to the attendance of judges; which were read and refer-  
red to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An additional supplement to an  
act entitled, An act respecting the equity jurisdiction of the county courts. *Ordered*, That Messrs.  
Dorsey, Sanders and Wilson be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Thomas Wright, Esq. a delegate from Queen Ann's county, appeared, qualified and took his seat.  
The house adjourns until to morrow morning 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, November 4, 1812.

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

Mr. Griffith delivers a petition from John Farckarson, an alien, residing in Dorchester county,  
praying that a law may pass, enabling him to hold real property in this state; which was read and re-  
ferred to Messrs. Griffith, Lecompte and John Stewart.

Mr. Potts delivers a petition from the Moravian Society of Graceham, in Frederick county, pray-  
ing that a law may pass enabling them to hold certain lands therein mentioned; which was read and  
referred to Messrs. Potts, Davis and Delaplaine.

Mr. Lewis delivers a petition from John Shairh, of Washington county, praying that a certain road  
may be opened; which was read and referred to Messrs. Lewis, Bowles and Sprigg.

Mr. Sprigg delivers a petition from Thomas McCadle, of Washington county, counter to the pe-  
tition of John Shairh; which was read and referred to the committee on the petition to which it is  
counter.

Mr. Randall delivers a petition from Hugh Lynch, of Baltimore county, a revolutionary soldier,  
praying relief; which was read and referred to Messrs. Randall, Warner and Barney.

Mr. Warner delivers a petition from Charles L. Snyder, of Baltimore county, praying that he may  
be permitted to bring certain negroes from Virginia into this state; which was read and referred to  
Messrs. Warner, Cresap and Randall.

Mr. Francis Hall delivers a petition from Richard Dove, of Prince George's county, praying that  
the levy court of Prince George's county may be authorised to levy a sum of money for his support,  
which was read and referred to Messrs. Francis Hall, Somervell and Callis.