

## OF THE SENATE.

**MONDAY, December 9, 1816.**

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Emerson appeared in the senate, and after taking the oaths required by the constitution and form of government, and subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, and taking the oath for the support of the government of the United States, took his seat.

Mr. Winchester presented the petition of Edward Ireland, which was read and referred to Mr. Winchester, Mr. Holliday and Mr. Emerson, to consider and report thereon.

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

BY THE SENATE, December 9, 1816.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

The senate are prepared to proceed to the election of a governor for the ensuing year, as proposed in your message. No other person is put in nomination by the senate. We have appointed Messrs. Winchester and Van-Horn to join the gentlemen of your house to examine and count the ballots.

By order,

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Muse, leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to repeal the act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and five, and the several supplements thereto, and to form a new system. Ordered, that Messrs. Muse, Winchester, Van-Horn, Leigh and Taney, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 9, 1816.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

The constitution and form of government having directed that the governor of this state shall be chosen on the second Monday in December, in each and every year, and this being the day prescribed, we propose with the concurrence of your honourable body to proceed to elect the governor of this state at 12 o'clock to day. General Charles Ridgely, of Hampton, is put in nomination by this house, and we have appointed Messrs. Richard K. Watts and Lecompte, to join such gentlemen as may be named by you to count the ballots and report thereon.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, Clk.

Which was read.

Also the following bills. A bill entitled, An act for the benefit of Thomas Moore, of Cæcil county ; a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Alexander Moore, of Cæcil county ; which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A bill entitled, An act to encourage the destruction of crows in Saint Mary's county, and a bill entitled, An act to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year, were severally read the first and second time by special order and will pass.

The senate having previously qualified, agreeably to the constitution and form of government, and laws of this state, proceeded to the election of a governor. The ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee of the senate appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after examination of the ballots, returned and reported, that Charles Ridgely, of Hampton, had sixty-two votes, and Robert Bowie had seventeen votes.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that Charles Ridgely, of Hampton, is duly elected governor of Maryland.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 9, 1816.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

The honourable Charles Ridgely, of Hampton, having been elected governor of the state, we have appointed Mr. R. K. Watts and Lecompte, jointly with such gentlemen as may be named by your house, to wait upon the governor, and request his attendance in the senate chamber to qualify according to the constitution and form of government.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Winchester, the following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, December 9, 1816.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have appointed Messrs. Winchester and Hughlett on the part of the senate, to join the gentlemen named by your house, to wait on the governor elect, and request his attendance in the senate chamber to qualify according to the constitution and form of government.

By order,

R. HARWOOD, Clk.

Mr. Winchester, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Edward Ireland, reported the following bill, entitled, An act to alter and change the name of Edward Ireland Hollingsworth, of Baltimore county ; which was read the first and second time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

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

**TUESDAY, December 10, 1816.**

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Muse. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Jackson presented the petition of the president and directors of the bank of Somerset ; which was read and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Hughlett and Muse, to consider and report thereon.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 10, 1816.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We propose with your concurrence to proceed this day at 12 o'clock to the election of a council to the governor. Messrs. Henry H. Chapman, James Shaw, Richard Frisby, William Potter, John Stephen, William H. Ward, James Butcher, Samuel Stevens, Thomas W. Hall, and James Boyle, are