

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS.

**TUESDAY, Dec. 12, 1820.**

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Harper asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Carmichael from Wednesday 13th inst. for 10 days.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 12, 1820.

*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 Thomas H. Wilkinson, James Nabb, James Butcher, John Stephen, Grafton Duvall, Clement Dorsey, George C. Washington, William Potter, James Scanlan, and Alexander C. Magruder, are put in nomination by this house. We have appointed Messrs. Samuel Stevens and Beckett, in conjunction with the gentlemen that may be named by you, to count the ballots.

Which was read.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

The following message was sent to the house of delegates:

BY THE SENATE, Dec. 12, 1820.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We concur in the proposal contained in your message of going into the election of a council to the governor this day at 12 o'clock. No persons have been put in nomination by the senate in addition to those nominated by your house. We have appointed Messrs. Hughlett and Maxcy, to join the gentlemen appointed by you, to count the ballots and report thereon.

By order,

J. N. WATKINS, Clk.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 12, 1820.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

A vacancy having occurred in the office of register of wills for Anne-Arundel county, during the recess of the legislature, and the duties of the person appointed by the executive having terminated with the meeting of the general assembly, we propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to proceed to make the appointment of register of wills for said county this day at the hour of one o'clock. Thomas H. Hall and Lewis Gassaway are put in nomination by this house, and we have appointed Messrs. Marriott and Archer, to join such gentlemen as may be named by you, to count the ballots and report thereon.

Which was read.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

The senate having previously qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the election of a council to the 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 examining the ballots, returned and reported that John Stephen had forty-nine votes, Thomas H. Wilkinson, forty nine votes, Grafton Duvall, forty-eight votes, James Nabb, forty-eight votes, James Butcher, forty-eight votes, William Potter, forty-six votes, James Scanlan forty-six votes, Clement Dorsey, forty-six votes, George C. Washington, forty four votes, Alexander C. Magruder, forty-votes, John C. Weems, three votes, William Ross, one vote, and John M. Pherson, Senr one vote.

Whereupon, it appearing that John Stephen, Thomas H. Wilkinson, Grafton Duvall, James Nabb, and James Butcher, having had a majority of votes, it is declared in the senate that they are duly elected council to the governor.

The resolution respecting the members and officers of the legislature and electors of president and vice president of the United States, was read the second, and by special order the third time, and assented to. The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13, 1820.**

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

The resolution respecting the members and officers of the legislature and electors of president and vice president of the United States, was sent to the house of delegates.

Mr. Magruder asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Holliday for ten days.

Mr. Emerson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hughlett from Sunday 17th inst. for 10 days.

Mr. Hughlett presented the petition of Joseph Richardson, clerk of Caroline county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hughlett, Magruder and Emerson, to report thereon.

Mr. Gale from the committee of revisal and unfinished business, reported a bill, entitled, An act to amend and reduce into one system the laws to direct descents; which was ordered to be printed.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 13, 1820.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

John Stephen, Thomas H. Wilkinson, Grafton Duvall, James Butcher, and James Nabb, Esquires, having been elected the council to the governor of the state, we propose that a joint letter be written by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of delegates, and forwarded to each of the gentlemen elect, to notify them of their appointment, and requesting their immediate attendance at the seat of government.

By order,

J. BREWER, Clk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 13, 1820.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

The term for which the honourable William Pinkney, one of the senators of the United States was elected, will expire on the 4th March next. We propose, with the concurrence of your honourable