

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

stat. We propose that a joint letter be written by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates and forwarded by mail to each of the gentlemen elect, to notify them of their election and requesting their immediate attendance at the seat of government.

By order, J. BREWER, Clk.

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

BY THE SENATE, December 10, 1822.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates—We concur in your proposition to forward by mail a joint letter from the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of delegates to the gentlemen elected to the council.

By order, WM. KILTY, Clk.

On motion by Mr. Miller, leave to bring in a bill to alter and amend the constitution of this state, so that the governor and the members of the senate, may be elected by the people. And the question being put, that the senate agree to the same? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. President, Brownley, Chambers, Dickinson, Johnson, M'Kim, Miller, Urrell, Quinton—9.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Bowie, Kent.—2. So it was determined in the affirmative, and referred to Messrs. Miller, M'Kim and Urrell to bring in the same.

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

WEDNESDAY, December 11, 1822.

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

The bill to enable Emanuel Vener, of Caroline county, to purchase and hold real property within this state, was read the third time, passed and sent to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act passed at December session eighteen hundred and twenty-one, entitled, An act to alter, change and repeal all such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relates to the division of Baltimore county, into election districts; and a bill entitled, An act for the relief of Mahlon Chandler, and Joshua Pierce and Hannah his wife, of Montgomery county; which were severally read the first time and laid on the table.

On motion by Mr. Johnson, leave of absence was granted to Mr. Bowie, for two weeks from this day.

Mr. Johnson offered the following message, which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, December 11, 1822.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates—This being the day heretofore agreed on by your honorable body and the senate, for the election of a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States; We propose to go into said election at 12 o'clock, Gen. Samuel Smith is nominated by us for this station, Messrs. Johnson and Quinton are appointed on the part of the senate to join such gentlemen as shall be named by you to count the ballots.

By order,

WM. KILTY, Clk.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 11, 1822.

Gentlemen of the Senate—We concur with your honorable body, to proceed at 12 o'clock this day to the election of a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of the much lamented William Pinkney, Esq. no other person has been put in nomination by this house, Messrs. Millard and Norris, are appointed on the part of this house, to join the gentlemen named by you to count the ballots and report the result.

Resolved, That the person to be chosen shall be a resident of the Western Shore of this state, and that he having a majority of all the attending members of both branches of the general assembly, be declared duly elected to represent this state in the senate of the United States, and that a commission issue to the said senator, appointed as aforesaid, signed by the governor for the time being, or in his absence by the presiding member of the council, in the following words to wit:

The State of Maryland to

Greeting,

The state of Maryland reposing especial confidence in your integrity and abilities have appointed you a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, from the present time to the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven. Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two.

By order,

JOHN BREWER, Clerk.

Which was read.

On motion, the question was put, will the senate strike out the words "third day of March," in the commission, and insert "fourth day of March?" Determined in the affirmative.

On motion, the question was put, will the senate strike out the word "to" in the commission, and insert "until?" Determined in the affirmative; and the resolution was then assented to, as amended, and sent to the house of delegates; also a bill, entitled, An act to confirm an act, entitled, An act to alter and repeal such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relates to the division of Frederick county, into election districts; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Johnson offered the following message, which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.