

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 one o'clock to day. The honourable Samuel Stevens is put in nomination by this house, and we have appointed Messrs. Millard and Price, to join such gentlemen as may be named by you, to count the ballots and report the result.

Also a resolution relative to General Lafayette, which was read the first, and by special order a second and third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

Also a bill, entitled, An act authorising John Hackett, of Queen Anne's county, to sell the lands therein mentioned; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

The president laid before the senate the following letter; which was read.

Chaptico, December 11th, 1824.

Sir,—I have had the honour to receive your communication of the 9th inst. informing me that I have been elected a member of the senate of Maryland. I will avail myself of an early opportunity to repair to Annapolis, and accept the seat to which the honourable body over which you preside have been pleased to elect me.

I have the honour to be, most respectfully, Sir, your most obedient servant,

JAMES THOMAS.

Wm. R. Stuart, President of the Senate

The bill to confirm an act passed at December session eighteen hundred and twenty-three, entitled, An act to alter the time of the meeting of the general assembly of this state, and for other purposes, was read the second and by special order a third time, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

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

BY THE SENATE, December 13, 1824.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate concur in the proposal contained in your message of this morning, to go into the election of the governor at one o'clock to day. No person is put in nomination for this office in addition to the gentleman nominated by you. Messrs. Brownley and Dickinson are appointed by the senate to join the gentlemen selected by you to count the ballots and report thereon.

By order, WM. KILTY, Clk.

The bill to alter and change the name of John Staup, of Baltimore county to John Staup Murray; the bill for the support of Mary Adkins and her son George Adkins, of Worcester county, and the bill to introduce wholesome water into the city of Frederick, were read a second time and laid on the table.

On motion by Mr. Scott, leave was given to bring in a bill to be entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to prescribe the time which jurors shall serve in Baltimore county court; and it was ordered, That Messrs. Scott, Brownly and Kent, should be a committee to prepare and report the same.

Mr. Scott from the committee reported the said bill, and it was read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Chambers appeared in the senate.

The senate 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 on the part of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after some time returned and reported, that Samuel Stevens had sixty seven votes, Charles Goldsborough had three votes, John E. Howard, had one vote. Roger B. Taney had one vote, Robert H. Goldsborough had one vote, and that there were five blanks:

Whereupon it was declared in the senate, that Samuel Stevens having had a majority of all the votes of of the attending members of the legislature, was elected governor of Maryland for and during the time prescribed by law.

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

BY THE SENATE, December 13, 1824.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate have appointed Messrs. Scott and Miller, to join such gentlemen as may be 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, WM. KILTY, Clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 13, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message proposing a joint committee on the part of the senate and house of delegates to wait on the governor, to inform him of his re election, and to request his attendance in the senate chamber to qualify according to the constitution and form of government. We consent to the proposition, and have named on our part Messrs. Millard and Hopper.

By order, JOHN BREWER, Clk.

Also a bill, entitled, An act to enlarge further the powers of the trustees of the poor of Harford county, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and laid on the table.

Samuel Stevens, esquire, the governor elect, attending in the senate chamber, Ordered, That Messrs. Chambers and Kept inform the house of delegates, that Samuel Stevens, esquire, the governor elect, is attending in the senate chamber to qualify according to the constitution and form of government.

The speaker attended by the members of the house of delegates appeared in the senate chamber, and Samuel Stevens, esquire, qualified as governor, before the president of the senate, in the presence of both houses, by taking the oath prescribed by the constitution and form of government, the oath to support the constitution of the United States, and by subscribing a declaration of his belief in the christian religion.

The speaker and members of the house of delegates having retired, the senate adjourned until to morrow morning 10 o'clock.