

The senate then 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 some time returned and reported, that there were ninety-five votes given in all and that on counting the same, they had found that Samuel Lecompt had forty-three votes, Otho Scott had forty-six votes, Daniel Martin had fifty-six votes, William Stewart had fifty-four votes, William M'Mahon had forty-three votes, Resin Estep had forty-seven votes, Arnold E. Jones had fifty votes, Thomas Davis had fifty-two votes, and that there was one blank vote.

Wherefore it was declared in the senate, that Daniel Martin, William Stewart, Thomas Davis, Arnold E. Jones and Resin Estep having had the highest number of votes, were duly elected the Council to the Governor during the ensuing year.

The clerk of the house of Delegates delivered a bill, entitled, an act to authorise the Levy Court of Somerset county to contract for the removal of certain obstructions in Monokin River and its several branches, and to levy the expenses thereof upon said county, which was read the first time: Also,

The following message, which was read.

By the House of Delegates, January 8th, 1828,  
Gentlemen of the Senate,

Daniel Martin, William Stewart, Thomas Davis, Arnold E. Jones and Resin Estep, Esquires, having been elected the Council to the Governor of this state, 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,

Gideon Pearce, Clerk.

Joseph Kent, Esq. the Governor elect, having appeared in the senate chamber;

On motion by Mr. Forrest; Ordered that Messrs. Forrest and Heath be a committee to inform the House of Delegates, that the Governor elect attends in the senate chamber, for the purpose of qualifying according to the Constitution, and to request the attendance of the members of that house.

The speaker attended by the members of the House of Delegates appeared in the Senate Chamber, when Joseph