

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER 1783. 27

John Smith, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 22, 1783.

GENTLEMEN,

WE shall be ready to proceed to the choice of the governor at the hour fixed in your message of this date by Messieurs Key and Carroll, and have named Edward Lloyd and Samuel Hughes, Esquires, to examine the ballot boxes in conjunction with the gentlemen nominated by your house.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read; and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported, that William Paca, Esquire, was unanimously elected. Whereupon

RESOLVED, That William Paca, Esquire, be, and is hereby declared, governor of Maryland.

On motion, the question was put, That the council to the governor each be allowed twenty-two shillings and six-pence per diem? Resolved in the affirmative.

James M^cHenry, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter of resignation from Thomas Johnson, Esq; as a member of congress, dated May 30, 1783; which was read.

The following message was prepared, and sent to the senate by Mr. Quynn and Mr. Harris:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 22, 1783.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THE joint committee of both houses appointed to examine the ballot box, have reported, that William Paca, Esq; was unanimously elected governor of this state; we think it proper to notify the same to him, and have appointed Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Key to join any member of your house for that purpose.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

The report on the petition of Thomas Russell, in behalf of his brother William Russell, was read the second time and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

Richard Barnes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 22, 1783.

GENTLEMEN,

THIS house have appointed Richard Barnes, Esq; to join the gentlemen named in your message by Messieurs Quynn and Harris, to notify to William Paca, Esq; that he is unanimously elected governor of this state.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Ireland has leave of absence till Monday week next.

The report on the petition of John Cornthwaite was read the second time and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

The bill for the relief of John Galloway, of Baltimore county; the bill to constitute and appoint a select vestry in Saint John's parish, in Prince-George's county; the bill for the relief of Joseph Cresap, of Washington county; the bill for the relief of Francis Rochester, junior, of Queen-Anne's county; and the bill to record and make valid a deed of bargain and sale executed by James Raley, Benjamin Newnam and Mary his wife, to John Moore, of Queen-Anne's county; were sent to the senate by Mr. M^cMechen and Mr. Digges.

Mr. M^cMechen delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to authorize and empower David Brown and Henry Wilson, of Baltimore county, executors of the last will and testament of John Cornthwaite, to sell and dispose of the real estate therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jacob has leave of absence till Tuesday next.

A counter petition from Thomas Cockey, junior, of Baltimore county, to the petition of Thomas Cockey, senior, was preferred and read.

John Smith and James M^cHenry, Esquires, from the senate, acquaint Mr. Speaker, that the senate request his attendance, with the members of the house of delegates, in the senate room, to see the governor qualified. Mr. Speaker left the chair, and, attended by the members of this house, went to the senate room, and saw his Excellency qualify in presence of both houses, by his subscribing the declaration, and taking the several oaths required by the constitution, and the oath of office directed to be taken by act of assembly. Mr. Speaker, with the rest of the members, returned and resumed the chair.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, November 24, 1783.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Norris, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Hall, and Mr. Key. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Grahame appeared in the house. Mr. Peregrine Lethbrury, and Mr. William Stevenson,