

for the purposes therein mentioned, endorsed; " By the senate, December 11, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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Which was ordered to be engrossed. The bill to make valid a deed from Isaac Dixon to John Dashiell, for part of a tract of land called Dixon's Green, endorsed; " By the senate, December 11, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By the senate, December 16, 1784: Read the second time and will not pass. " By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

A petition from Job Garretson, of Baltimore county, respecting his purchase of certain confiscated British property; a petition from sundry inhabitants of Charles county, purchasers of confiscated British property; and a petition from Thomas Woolford, executor of James Woolford, respecting the collection of certain taxes due to the said James Woolford, late sheriff of Dorchester county; severally endorsed; " By the senate, December 17, 1784: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

The following question being moved, Whether, in the opinion of this house, a gentleman appointed to and exercising the office of attorney-general, be eligible as a delegate to congress? The previous question was called for and put, That the said question be now put? Resolved in the affirmative.

The main question was then put, and resolved in the affirmative. The following question being moved, Whether, in the opinion of this house, the attorney-general may act as a delegate to congress without resigning his office under the constitution? The previous question was called for and put, That the said question be now put? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Hall appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Key,	Ware,	G. Scott,	Oglevee,	Carey,	Wheeler,
	B. Worthington,	Hanson,	Bravard,	Johnson,	Shriver,	Hardcattle,
	Hall,	Gibson,	Job,	Sewell,	Norris,	Oneale.
	Cadwalader,					
N E G A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Graves,	Dent,	John Dashiell,	Miller,	Chaille,	M'Mechen,
	Carroll,	Ridgely of Wm.	Waters,	Digges,	Joseph Dashiell,	Stull,
	Grahamc,	Harris,	Elzey,	Seny,	Beatty,	Cellars,
	Taney,	Hindman,	Shaw,	Chafe,	Love,	Swingle,
	Fraizer,	Roberts,	Steel,	Townshend,	Bond,	Cramphin.

So it was determined in the negative.

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by Mr. Shaw.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 17, 1784.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS, THE following gentlemen, viz. Luther Martin, William Hindman, Nathaniel Ramsey, John Hoskins Stone, James Lloyd, and Nicholas Rogers, Esquires, are proposed by this house to be balloted for in addition to those put in nomination as delegates to congress by your honours. We have appointed Mr. Key, Mr. Ridgely of William, and Mr. Shaw, to join the members of your house to examine the ballot boxes.

By order, W. HARWOOD. clk.

The house proceeded to the choice of three delegates to congress in the room of Thomas Johnson, William Smallwood, and Richard Ridgely, Esquires, who have declined to accept their appointment, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported, that John Henry, William Hindman, and Luther Martin, Esquires, had a majority of votes. Whereupon,

RESOLVED, That John Henry, William Hindman, and Luther Martin, Esquires, be, and are hereby declared, delegates to represent this state in congress.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore-town, respecting a market-house, was read the second time and concurred with.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for establishing a new market, and building a market-house, in Baltimore-town, and for the regulation of the said market. ORDERED, That Mr. Chafe, Mr. Joseph Dashiell, Mr. Hall, Mr. G. Scott, and Mr. Johnson, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Nehemiah Holland, of Worcester county, respecting the election of said county, was preferred and read.

The order of the day, respecting the report to estimate the supplies for the year 1785, is postponed till to-morrow morning.

Mr. Steel brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for making valid a deed from George Lux, William Lyon, and James Dick, to Thomas J. Burling and James Shaw; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.