

rest, Mr. Potts, Mr. Mercer, Mr. Dorsey and Mr. Chapman, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 1, 1788.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE propose to proceed immediately to ballot for the exclusion of two members from the present delegation to congress, and immediately after into the appointment of three delegates to represent this state until the meeting of congress under the new federal government. Mr. Dent, Mr. John M'Pherson and Mr. Matthews, are appointed to examine the ballot boxes in conjunction with such members as you shall name for that purpose.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Mr. Dent, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

By the COMMITTEE of ELECTIONS and PRIVILEGES.

YOUR committee beg leave to report, that by the certificate of the sheriff of Prince-George's county it appears, that Fielder Bowie, Esquire, is elected and duly returned a delegate for said county in the room of Robert Bowie, Esquire, whose seat was vacated. That by the certificate of the sheriff of Harford county it appears, that Abraham Jarrett, Esquire, is elected and duly returned a delegate for said county in the room of John Lee Webster, Esquire. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

The report on the petition of Francis Clements, was read the second time and concurred with. Samuel Hughes, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 1, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

WE are ready to go into a joint ballot for the exclusion of two members from the present delegation in congress. His excellency the governor and colonel Harrison are nominated to be excluded. We have appointed George Gale and Daniel Carroll, Esquires, to join the gentlemen nominated by your house to examine the ballot boxes, and agree immediately to go into the appointment of three delegates for the ensuing year.

By order.

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

The house proceeded to the exclusion of two members of congress from the present delegation, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time reported, that his excellency John Eager Howard and William Harrison, Esquires, were unanimously excluded from the present delegation.

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by Mr. J. M'Pherson.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 1, 1788.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

JOSHUA Seney, Benjamin Contee and David Ross, Esquires, are put in nomination by this house to represent this state in congress. Mr. Chapman, Mr. Dorsey and Mr. F. Bowie, are appointed to examine the ballot boxes in conjunction with such members as you may appoint for that purpose.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Peregrine Tilghman, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 1, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

NO gentleman is nominated in addition to those named by your house. John Henry and Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquires, are appointed to join the gentlemen nominated by you to examine the ballot boxes.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

The house proceeded to ballot for three delegates to congress, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time reported, that the honourable Joshua Seney, Benjamin Contee and David Ross, Esquires, were elected. Whereupon,

RESOLVED, That the honourable Joshua Seney, Benjamin Contee and David Ross, Esquires, be and they are hereby declared to be delegates to represent this state in congress.

Mr. Craufurd appeared in the house.

Agreeably to order, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole; Mr. Dent in the chair. After some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Chairman reported, that the committee had, according to order, taken into their consideration the subject matter referred to them, but not having had time to go through the same, had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

RESOLVED, That this house will, on to-morrow morning at the meeting of the house, resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

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