

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1788.

1st. RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this committee, for the purpose of choosing representatives, that the state be equally divided into six districts.

2d. RESOLVED, That the people in each county, entitled to vote for members of the house of delegates of this state, shall, by an election to be held in each county in this state, vote for six representatives to congress, one whereof to be a resident of each of the said districts, and that the person in a district having the greatest number of votes of all the candidates residing in that district, shall be the representative of that district; and that the said elections be free, and made *viva voce*.

3d. RESOLVED, That the people of the state of Maryland, entitled to vote for delegates to the house of delegates, elect *viva voce*, on the first Wednesday in January next, eight electors of the president and vice-president, five of whom shall be residents of the western shore, and three of the eastern shore; which said electors shall meet at the city of Annapolis on the first Wednesday in February next, and vote for a president and vice-president, in the manner directed by the new federal government.

Which were read.

On the second reading the said resolutions, the question was put, That the house assent to that part of the second resolution which follows in these words, "one whereof to be a resident of each of the said districts, and that the person in a district having the greatest number of votes of all the candidates residing in that district, shall be the representative of that district?" The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Mercer, appeared as follows:

## A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messieurs	Chilton,	Cockey,	Lecompte,	F. Bowie,	Faw,	Sprigg,
	W. Tilghman,	Sherwood,	Steele,	Seney,	J. M'Pherson,	Shryock,
	R. Miller,	Chamberlaine,	Bond,	J. Tilghman,	Gwinn,	Taylor,
	Gantt,	Stewart,	Matthews,	Sewell,	Edmondson,	Lynn,
	Fitzhugh,	Polk,	Bravard,	J. S. Purnell,	Emory,	Cramphin,
	Blake,	Waggaman,	Craufurd,	W. Purnell,	Mafon,	Dorsey. 41.
	Chapman,	Murray,	Digges,	Potts,	Coulter,	

## N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Forrest,	Harwood,	Frazier,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Duvall,	Pinkney,
	Abell,	Mercer,	Dent,	Shaw,	Dennis,	Scott,
	Thomas,	Chafe,	W. M'Pherson,	W. Bowie,	Houston,	Crabb,
	Reed,	Worthington,	Ridgely,	Quynn,	Norris,	O'Neale. 24.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The resolutions being read throughout, the question was put, That the house assent thereto? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Thomas, appeared as follow:

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Messieurs	Chilton,	Cockey,	Shaw,	Digges,	Faw,	Sprigg,
	W. Tilghman,	Sherwood,	Lecompte,	F. Bowie,	J. M'Pherson,	Shryock,
	R. Miller,	Chamberlaine,	Steele,	Duvall,	Gwinn,	Taylor,
	Gantt,	Stewart,	Bond,	Seney,	Edmondson,	Lynn,
	Fitzhugh,	Polk,	Matthews,	J. Tilghman,	Emory,	Cramphin,
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	Thomas,	Chafe,	W. M'Pherson,	Quynn,	Houston,	Crabb,
	Reed,	Worthington,	Ridgely,	J. S. Purnell,	Norris,	O'Neale. 24.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto, ORDERED, That Mr. Dorsey, Mr. J. Tilghman, Mr. Potts, Mr. Murray and Mr. Duvall, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Seney, Mr. W. Tilghman, Mr. Mercer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Dent, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Crabb, be a committee to revise the proceedings of the committee of the whole house, and that the same be published in the Maryland Gazette and Baltimore Journal.

The order of the day, respecting the election of Baltimore-town, is postponed till to-morrow morning.

George Gale, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message and resolution:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 3, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

AS the appointment of senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States may tend to forward the business of the session, we propose that Saturday the sixth day of this present month be appointed to choose two senators, one of whom to be a resident of the western, the other of the eastern shore. We think the following mode should be pursued on the present occasion: We propose that two senators be chosen by the joint ballot of both houses, and that the two having a majority of votes of all the attending members of the whole legislature, be declared to be duly elected. The resolution herewith transmitted is framed in conformity to the above mode, which we hope will meet your approbation.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

BY