

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

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

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 9, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

WE think it would facilitate the election of senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States, if one senator only was voted for at a time; we therefore propose, that the two houses immediately go into a joint ballot for a senator for the western shore, and on such senator's election, that the legislature proceed in like manner to choose a senator for the eastern shore.

The same gentlemen are appointed by this house to examine the ballot boxes.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 9, 1788.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house cannot accede to the proposition contained in your message by Peregrine Tilghman, Esquire, but are desirous of proceeding to the election of senators immediately in the manner pointed out by the resolution of both houses.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Peter Engles, of Frederick county, beg leave to report, that they have considered said petition, and believe the facts therein stated to be true.

Your committee beg leave to suggest their opinion, that it will be expedient to give the executive full power to adjust all claims against this state for services done in taking care of the public arms, and to enter into such contracts for that purpose as may be thought necessary.

Your committee are of opinion the particular case of the petitioner calls on the justice of the state to make him immediate compensation for the monies he has expended, as stated in his petition, and also for his own services.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

Which was read.

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

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that one thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight pounds of tobacco were loaned the state by Thomas Hanson Marshall in the year 1780, for which he obtained from the agent a receipt, which appears to have been lost or mislaid before any application was made to the treasurer for a certificate for the said tobacco; RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be authorised and directed, on application by the said Marshall, to issue a certificate for the tobacco so loaned, with the interest due thereon, rating the said tobacco at such price *per centum* as to him may appear reasonable and just.

Which was read the first and second time and assented to.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Mrs. Sarah Buchanan, Alexander Cowan and John Taylor, beg leave to report, that they have examined the facts stated in said petition, and declining to give an opinion upon such of them as may, in any manner, affect the suit at law, which it is suggested therein is intended to be commenced, beg leave to recommend the following resolution :

RESOLVED, That proceedings against Alexander Cowan and John Taylor, as securities of Archibald Buchanan, deceased, shall be suspended until the further orders of the general assembly.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, the report concurred with, and the resolution assented to.

James Carroll, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message :

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 9, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

WE agree to proceed in the manner proposed in your message by Mr. Jarrett.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

The house thereupon proceeded to ballot a second time for two senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time reported, that upon examination of the ballots it appeared, that the honourable John Henry had forty-two votes, the honourable Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, forty-one, the honourable Uriah Forrest forty-one, and the honourable George Gale forty.

Whereupon,

RESOLVED, That the honourable John Henry, Esquire, be and he is hereby declared to be a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States.

The order of the day, for the second reading of the bill directing the time, places and manner, of holding elections for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, &c. is postponed till to-morrow morning.

The house adjourns till 6 o'clock.