

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill to establish a company corporate for the purpose of cutting a canal between the bay of Chesapeake and the river Delaware? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messrs	Leigh, Plowden, Greenwell, Angier, Page,	Comegys, Godman, Taney, Chapman, Thomas, Chas.	Sherwood, Kerr, Harwood, Jones, Miller,	Key, Nicholson, J. Brown, C. Frazier, Wilson,	Rackliff, Thomas, Fred. Bruce, Gift, Bennett,	C. Beall, J. Buchanan, Swailles, Clarke. 29.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messrs	Hall, Emerson, Brome, T. Buchanan, Merryman,	Carroll, Worthington, E. Brown, S. Frazier, Pattison,	Wallace, Addison, Duckett, Quynn, Emory,	Warfield, Montgomery, Jarrett, M'Comas, Bond,	Young, Potter, Kerfner, Riley,	P. Magruder, R. Magruder, A. Beall, Rice. 28.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That Mr. Wilson, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Leigh, Mr. Jones, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Worthington and Mr. Swailles, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Clarke, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the rule respecting the sitting hours be dispensed with. —  
The house adjourns till 5 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

Mr. Nicholson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to extend the time for the late sheriffs and collectors in the several counties of this state to complete their collections; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 13, 1797.

GENTLEMEN,

THE senate having a sufficient number of members to form a house, inform you, that they are ready to proceed in the business of the session.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

Which was read.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 13, 1797.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have received your message, and are ready to proceed immediately to the election of a governor, and have appointed Mr. Wilson and Mr. Jones to join such members as may be appointed by your house to examine the ballots. John Henry, Esquire is put in nomination by this house.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 13, 1797.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have received your message, and are ready to proceed in the election of a governor, as proposed by you. We have appointed David M'Mechen and Robert Milligan, Esquires, to join the gentlemen named by you to examine the ballots. No gentleman is nominated by this house in addition to John Henry, Esquire.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

Which was read.

The house having qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the choice of a governor, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time reported, that the honourable John Henry, Esquire, was unanimously elected.

Whereupon, RESOLVED, That the honourable John Henry, Esquire, be, and he is hereby declared to be, governor of the state of Maryland.

On motion, the question was put, That the word "unanimously" be expunged from the entry respecting the governor elect? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messrs	Angier, Comegys, Hall,	Quynn, Key, Gift,	Bond, P. Magruder, Duckett,	Nicholson, J. Brown, Jarrett,	C. Frazier, Jarrett,	J. Buchanan, A. Beall. 15.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messrs	Leigh, Plowden, Greenwell, Page, J. C. Thomas, Brogden, Godman, Worthington,	E. Brown, Wilson, Rackliff, Montgomery, Young, Swailles, R. Magruder, Emerson,	Taney, Brome, Chapman, Thomas, Chas. T. Buchanan, Merryman, Carroll, Sherwood,	Emory, Warfield, Bennett, Potter, Riley, Clarke, Kerr, Harwood,	Jones, S. Frazier, Pattison, Goldborough, Wallace, Miller, Addison,	Calvert, Thomas, Fred. Bruce, Kerfner, C. Beall, Tomlinson, Rice. 46.

So it was determined in the negative.

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