

6 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1800.

16. Every bill or resolution originated in this house; or received from the senate, shall be read on two several days, with an intermission of one day at least, during which time it shall lie on the table for the perusal of the members, unless on very urgent occasions the house shall, by special order, dispense with this rule, which order shall be entered on the journal.

17. Conferrees, and members appointed on draughts, if required by three members, shall be elected by ballot, and the number shall in no case exceed seven.

18. No bill or resolve shall have a second reading until every member in the city be called upon to attend, except he be excused by the house for indisposition, or necessary attendance on the public business.

19. No petition, memorial, or other application to the house, shall be received, unless presented by a member.

20. All questions of order shall be determined by the speaker, but there may be an appeal by any member to the house from the decision, and the determination of the house in such cases of appeal shall be final.

21. No motion shall be made after the hour of adjournment, without leave of the house.

22. All misdemeanors which shall happen in the house, shall be censured or fined by the house.

23. No member shall answer on the yeas and nays who did not divide on the question, and if any member divides on one side, and answers on the other on the yeas and nays, the same shall be noted on the journal at the request of any member.

24. All fines imposed by the house shall be paid to the clerk, and applied as the house shall direct.

25. The substance of all petitions, memorials or other applications, shall be entered on the journal.

26. The clerk of the house shall, during the first week of the session, put into the hands of the speaker a correct list of all papers referred from the preceding session.

27. On motion or debate, any member may call for the reading any law, journal, record or other public proceeding, which may relate to the subject matter.

28. No member shall take out of the house any bill or other paper belonging to the house, without the leave of the speaker, under the penalty of such fine as may be imposed by the speaker, not exceeding forty shillings.

29. No member shall nominate more than one person on any committee, and in making such nomination shall rise and address himself to the speaker.

30. On an election to any office of trust or profit, no ballot shall be counted unless the person for whom the ballot shall be given be named to the house before the balloting be gone into.

31. All the members present shall divide on every question, unless excused by the house, or on calling the yeas and nays his refusal shall be noted on the journal at the request of any member.

32. Whenever a motion shall be made, or question propounded to the house, and not seconded, no other business shall be received until the speaker shall inform the house that the motion or proposition first made is not seconded.

33. No motion for reconsideration shall be permitted, unless made and seconded by two members who were in the majority on the original question.

34. When a blank is to be filled up, and different sums, numbers or times, shall be proposed, the question shall be first taken on the largest sum or number, and on the latest time.

35. When the house adjourns, every member shall rise in his place, and remain until the speaker go forth.

All which is submitted to the house.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 5, 1800.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have appointed Mr. M'Pherson, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Jones, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Bond, a committee on the part of this house, to join such gentlemen as you may nominate, to form a committee of both houses to compare and examine all bills from time to time during the session as soon as they shall be severally engrossed.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Petitions from Levi Butler, of Charles county, and Robert Green, of Dorchester county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Goldborough, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Dorchester county, beg leave to report, that they have examined the facts set forth in said petition, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof is reasonable, and ought to be granted.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

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

T H U R S D A Y, November 6, 1800.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The speaker laid before the house a letter from the trustee of the state, enclosing an account current of funded