

4 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1802.

The house appointed Mr. Cornelius Mills sergeant at arms, and Mr. John Trueman door-keeper. ORDERED, That they be qualified.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Nelson and Mr. Frisby wait upon his excellency the governor, and inform him that this house is met, and are ready to proceed to public business, and to receive any communications he may think proper to lay before them.

The house proceeded to ballot for a committee to inspect and examine the returns of elections, and report whether they have been made agreeably to the constitution and form of government, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike reported, that Mr. Nelson, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Tilghman, Mr. A. Stuart, Mr. Orrell and Mr. Bowie, were elected. ORDERED, That they have power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion, the question was put, That the speaker appoint a committee of claims, to consist of seven members? Resolved in the affirmative. The speaker accordingly appointed Mr. Lowrey, Mr. M'Pherson, Mr. Purviance, Mr. Purnell, Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Hawkins.

On motion, the question was put, That the speaker appoint a committee, to consist of three members, to report such rules as are proper to be observed during the session? Resolved in the affirmative. The speaker accordingly appointed Mr. Nelson, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Bowie.

On motion, the question was put, That the speaker appoint a committee of grievances and courts of justice, to consist of five members? Resolved in the affirmative. The speaker accordingly appointed Mr. Kershner, Mr. Jones, Mr. Dickson, Mr. S. Frazier and Mr. A. Stuart. ORDERED, That they have power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion, the question was put, That the speaker appoint a committee to inquire what laws have expired, or will expire during this present session, to consist of five members? Resolved in the affirmative. The speaker accordingly appointed Mr. Nelson, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Steele and Mr. Van-Horn.

The house proceeded to ballot for committee clerks, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Lewis Gassaway, Joseph Harwood, Archibald Golder, Richard Key Watts and Daniel C. Hopper, were elected. ORDERED, That they be qualified.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Quynn inform the reverend Mr. Wyatt, that the house request he will perform divine service every morning at the meeting of the house.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the treasurer of the eastern shore; which was read.

ORDERED, That the same be referred to the committee of claims to consider and report thereon.

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

F R I D A Y, November 5, 1802.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Thomas Blake, a delegate returned for Calvert county, Mr. Joseph Thompson, a delegate returned for Queen-Anne's county, and Mr. Nicholas Martin, a delegate returned for Talbot county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took their seats in the house.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the trustee of the state of the 1st instant, enclosing an account current of funded stock to the 31st of October last, and an account current of interest and principal received on said stock; which was read.

ORDERED, That the printer to the state strike one hundred copies for the use of the general assembly, On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill respecting the bringing of slaves from Washington county, of the district of Columbia, into this state. ORDERED, That Mr. Chapman, Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. Bowie, Mr. T. Davis and Mr. Hebb, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Anne Whitter, of Charles county, praying a sum of money may be levied on said county for her support, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Chapman, Mr. M'Pherson and Mr. Jones, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Evan Dorsey, of Frederick county, praying an act may pass, authorising the levy court of said county to levy a sum of money on said county to refund and repay to him monies improperly collected, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Nelson, Mr. Shriver and Mr. Montgomery, to consider and report thereon.

Petitions from Archibald Smithson, of the city of Baltimore, David M'Cleary, of Frederick county, John Marky and John Fendall Beall, of Charles county, James Dudley, of Talbot county, Francis Rosse, of Worcester county, John Lee, of Harford county, Isidore Hardy, of Prince-George's county, and Daniel Knock, of Queen-Anne's county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Nelson, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. Quinton, Mr. Purviance, Mr. Tilghman and Mr. Purnell, to consider and report thereon.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the auditor, enclosing accounts from the 1st November, 1801 to the 1st November, 1802; which was read.

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