

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER SESSION, 1802.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 3, 1802.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

THIS being the day appointed by the constitution and form of government for the election of a governor, we propose to go into the choice of a governor immediately, and have appointed Mr. Brown and Mr. Johnson to join the members named by your house in the examination of the ballot boxes. John Francis Mercer, Esquire, is put in nomination by this house.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

Which was read.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 8, 1802.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE are ready to proceed to the election of governor, agreeably to your message. James Murray, Esquire, is put in nomination by this house, in addition to John Francis Mercer, Esquire. Mr. Nelson and Mr. Wilson are appointed to act in conjunction with the members proposed by you to examine the ballots.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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 sometime returned and reported, that John Francis Mercer, Esquire, had a majority of votes.

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

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message :

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 8, 1802.

GENTLEMEN,

THE joint committee of both houses having reported that the honourable John Francis Mercer is elected governor, we think proper to notify the same to him, and request his attendance in the senate room to qualify agreeably to the constitution and form of government. We have appointed Mr. Ringgold and Mr. Hayward to join any members of your house for that purpose.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

Which was read.

And the bill relative to the continuance of causes in the court of appeals, and to alter the time of holding the same, endorsed; "By the senate, November 8, 1802: Read the first and second time by a special order and will pass.

"By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 8, 1802.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have appointed Mr. Nelson and Mr. Bowie to wait on the governor elect, for the purpose of requesting his attendance in the senate room to qualify agreeably to the constitution and form of government of this state.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

John Johnson and James Houston, Esquires, from the senate, acquaint the speaker that the senate request his attendance, with the members of the house of delegates, in the senate room, to see the governor qualified.

The speaker left the chair, and, attended by the members of this house, went to the senate room, and saw his excellency qualify in the presence of both houses, by subscribing the declaration, taking the several oaths required by the constitution and form of government, and the oath of office directed to be taken by act of assembly, and the oath to support the constitution of the United States.

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

T U E S D A Y, November 9, 1802.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill further extending the time for making returns of certain certificates and plots. ORDERED, That Mr. Van-Horn, Mr. M-Pherson and Mr. Merriken, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from the elders, deacons and trustees, of the German reformed congregation, and others, inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, praying they may be authorised to raise by lottery a sum of money to finish and complete the steeple of the German church in Second-street, and to furnish a town clock and bells therein, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dickson, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Purviance, Mr. Love and Mr. Stansbury, to consider and report thereon.