

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

The speaker, attended by the members of this house, returned and resumed the chair.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year, endorsed; "By the senate, November 20, 1804: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

T. W. HALL, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 20, 1804.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WITH the concurrence of your house, we propose immediately to proceed to the election of a council to the governor. Francis Digges, Allen Bowie Duckett, Reverdy Ghiselin, Richard Tilghman Earle and Richard Hall Harwood, are put in nomination by this house. We have appointed Mr. Stansbury and Mr. Hebb to join any gentlemen you may name to examine the ballots, and report thereon.

By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 20, 1804.

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

WE have received your message, and agree to proceed immediately to the election of a council to the governor, and have appointed Mr. Partridge and Mr. Brown to join the members of your house in the examination of the ballots. No person is named by the senate in addition to those nominated by you.

By order,

T. W. HALL, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Stuart appeared in the house.

The house having qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the choice of a council to the governor; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after sometime returned and reported, that Richard Hall Harwood, Allen Bowie Duckett, Richard Tilghman Earle, Reverdy Ghiselin and Francis Digges, had a majority of votes. Whereupon

RESOLVED, That Richard Hall Harwood, Allen Bowie Duckett, Richard Tilghman Earle, Reverdy Ghiselin and Francis Digges, be, and they are hereby declared to be, the council to the governor.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, November 21, 1804.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The bill to authorise and empower the levy court of Calvert county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned, the bill for the relief of James Gantt, an insolvent debtor of Prince-George's county, the bill to authorise the levy court of Saint-Mary's county to assess and levy a sum of money for the support and maintenance of John Tuel, the bill to lay out and streighten a certain road in Baltimore county, the bill to lay out and make public a road therein mentioned in Hartford county, the bill to authorise and empower the levy court of Baltimore county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned, the bill for the benefit of William Henry Lansdale and Thomas Reeder Lansdale, children of Mary Lansdale, of Saint-Mary's county, the bill for the relief of John R. Bromwell, of Talbot county, the bill for the benefit of Benjamin Willson, of Caroline county, a minor, the resolution in favour of Frederick Green, the resolution in favour of John Norris, of John, and the resolution in favour of Thomas Hawkins, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Thomas Bayly and Mr. John Cottman, two delegates returned for Somerset county, and Mr. Josiah Bayly, a delegate returned for Dorchester county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking an oath to support the constitution of the United States, took their seats in the house.

A petition from Zadock Holston, of Worcester county, praying that the levy court of said county may be authorised to levy a sum of money for his support, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Sturgis, Mr. Pri-  
deaux and Mr. Williams, to consider and report thereon.

Petitions from Henry Child, Howell Price, Walter S. Hunt and Anthony Lamerlere, of the city of Baltimore, and Joshua Stevenson, of Frederick county, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Kent and Queen-Anne's counties, praying that a sum of money may be levied on said counties for the purpose of building a bridge over Chester river at Bridge-town, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Thomas, Mr. Blake and Mr. Lowrey, to consider and report thereon.