

Which was twice read, agreed to, and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

In conformity with the provisions of the constitution and form of government, and agreeably to the arrangement made with the Senate for that purpose, the House proceeded, by ballot, at the hour of 12 o'clock, to the choice of a council to the Governor.

On motion by Mr. Ely, seconded by two other members, the House was called; and the door-keeper having returned and reported, that he had notified the absent members to attend:

The ballots of the members were then collected in the ballot box, which was sealed up and delivered to Messrs. Boyer and Hunt, the tellers appointed by this House, (in conjunction with those named by the Senate,) to count the joint ballot of both houses, and report the result; who having retired to the conference room, after a short time had elapsed, returned and reported, that on counting the joint ballot, it appeared that there were altogether ninety ballots taken: and of that number Hugh McEldery had received fifty-one votes, Robert D. C. Wright had fifty votes, Otho Scott had fifty votes, Benjamin F. Mackall had fifty votes, Robert Wason had fifty votes, and that there were thirty-nine blank ballots.

Whereupon, it was declared and resolved in the House of Delegates, That Hugh McEldery, Robert D. C. Wright, Otho Scott, Benjamin F. Mackall, and Robert Wason, who appear to have received the greatest number of votes in their favor, were, according to the provisions of the constitution, duly elected a Council to the Governor of the state of Maryland for the ensuing year.

Mr. Ely then submitted the following message:

By the House of Delegates,
January 5th, 1830.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

Hugh McEldery, Robert D. C. Wright, Otho Scott, Benjamin F. Mackall, and Robert Wason, having been elected the Council to the Governor of this state, we propose that a joint letter be written by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of this House, and forwarded by mail, to each of the gentlemen elect, to notify them of their election, and requesting their immediate attendance at the seat of government.

Which being twice read and agreed to, was sent to the Senate for concurrence.