

Marriott, Heath and Herbert, to join the gentlemen named by you.

By order,

Louis Gassaway, Clk.

By the Senate, December, 29, 1830.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

The Senate have received your message of this date, proposing to appoint a joint committee to contract for such printing, as may be required by the Legislature, during the present session, and concur therein. The Senate have appointed Messrs. Harrison, Kennedy and Dennis, to join the committee appointed by your House.

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Which were read.

The Speaker laid before the House, reports from the Sheriffs of Queen Anne's and Caroline counties, relative to monies paid into the Treasury, within the year ending on the 30th November, 1830.

Mr. Wallis presents a petition from Ann Jones and others, praying to make valid a deed of manumission therein mentioned, which was read and referred to Messrs. Wallace, Piner, and Moffett.

Mr. Chapman from the committee appointed to wait on his excellency the Governour, and inform him that a quorum of the House having convened, were ready to proceed to business, and receive any communication he might be pleased to lay before them; reported that the committee had performed the duties of their appointment, and that the Governour had answered that he would transmit a communication to this House, to-day at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Wright submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the clerk of this House, have one hundred copies of the rules adopted for its government, printed for the use of the members of the Legislature.

Which was twice read, and on the question being put, on the adoption of said order, it was determined in the negative.

The Clerk to the Council delivers a communication from the Executive, which was read and is as follows:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

and of the House of Delegates:

The period has arrived, when we have to present a narrative of our proceedings in the course of the current year, and we take advantage of the occasion, to offer our congratulations upon the distinguished evidence of public confidence, which you have received from the hands of the people.