For Harford county—Henry H. Johns, James Moores, Frederick T Amos, and Samuel Sutton, Esquires.

For Caroline county—William M. Hardcastle, and Wil-

liam Jones, Esquires.

For Washington county—David Brookhart, Joseph Hollman, John Hall, and William H. Fizhugh, Esquires.

For Montgomery county—Henry Harding, and Stephen

N. C. White, Esquires.

For Allegany county—George M. Swann, William Arm-

strong, and Thomas Blair, Esquires.

A sufficient number of delegates being convened, they severally qualified in the presence of each other, agreeably to the Constitution and form of Government, and then adjourned until to morrow morning ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, December 27th, 1831.

Present the same members as on yesterday.

Charles R. Stewart and Thomas Hood, Esquires, delegates returned for Anne Arundel county;—Joseph S. Cottman and Peter Bell, Esquires, delegates returned for Somerset county—John Mitchell and John S. Purnell, Esquires, delegates returned for Worcester county—Evan McKinstry, Esquire, a delegate returned for Frederick county—Jesse Hunt, and Philip Laurenson, Esquires, delegates returned for the City of Baltimore—and Horace Willson and Thomas Gettings, Esquires, delegates returned for Montgomery county, severally appeared, qualified, and took their seats.

The House proceeded to ballot for a Speaker—the ballots of the members being collected in the ballot box, on examination thereof, it appeared, that Richard Thomas, Esquire, received forty—three votes, and that Littleton D. Teackle, Esquire, received two votes, and that there were fifteen blank ballots. Whereupon, Richard Thomas, Esq. was declared duly elected the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and accordingly took the chair.

On motion by Mr. Gantt,

George G. Brewer was appointed Chief Clerk, and James H. Milbourn, Assistant Clerk. Ordered, that they be qualified as such, by taking the several oaths required, by subscribing a declaration of their belief in the christian religion, and by taking an oath that they will honestly, faithfully, and diligently, discharge the duties of their respective offices,