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gates to congress from this state; whereupon the opinion of the house was requested, that the said Mr. Carmichael be not considered as to be included as a delegate to be ballotted out, on which the house resolved in the affirmative.

The question was put, whether the members of the house of delegates in balloting out members of congress have a right, according to the constitution and form of government, to conduct themselves in such manner, as to leave four of the old delegates to congress in the present nomination, who have not served three in any term of six years? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. J. Hall, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Reed,	J. Hall,	Job,	J. Henry,	Beatty,	Hammond,
Key,	H. Ridgely,	Dent,	M'Gee,	Burgess,	M'Mechin,
Jordan,	Fitzhugh,	Birkhead,	Briff,	Cramphin,	Alexander,
Mackall,	Williamson,	Crauford,	Ringgold,	Wootton,	Barnes,
Greham,	Smith,	B. Hall,	Keene,	Deye,	Sprigg,
W. Stevenson,	Winder,	Magruder,	Stricker,	J. Stevenson,	M'Comas,
Worthington,	Ward,	Quynn,	J. Hanson,		

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs. Chase, Dennis, Stall, Archer, Norris.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The house then went into a ballot, and the gentlemen appointed to strike the ballots retired; and after some time returned and reported, that Mr. Pace and Mr. Jenifer are ballotted out. The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

The following message being prepared was sent to the senate by Mr. Crauford and Mr. Smith.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 22, 1779:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THE following gentlemen are proposed to be ballotted for as delegates to congress, George Plater, James Forbes, Thomas Johnson, John Hanson, John Hall, Edward Lloyd, Benedict Edward Hall, Upton Sheredine, Brice T. B. Worthington, and John Smith, Esquires, and wish to know who are proposed in your house in addition.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 22, 1779.

GENTLEMEN,

WE are ready to proceed to ballot for delegates to congress. We have no persons to propose in addition to the list communicated by Messieurs Crauford and Smith. B. T. B. Worthington and Upton Sheredine, Esquires, desire not to be ballotted for.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, cl. sen.

George Plater, Thomas Johnson, James Forbes, John Hall, Edward Lloyd, and John Hanson, Esquires, were chosen by ballot to serve as delegates to congress.

Mr. Key hath leave of absence for two days.

ORDERED, That the civil list be taken into consideration to-morrow morning.

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

T H U R S D A Y, December 23, 1779.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday, except Mr. Key. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Smith hath leave of absence until Monday next.

The letters from congress, brought from the senate yesterday by Matthew Tilghman, Esq; were severally read.

The following resolve:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 23, 1779.

RESOLVED, That fourteen pounds per diem be allowed each member of the general assembly for this session, and fourteen pounds a day for itinerant charges, besides their expences for passages across the bay.

By order,

J. DUCKETT, cl. ho. del.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Quynn and Mr. J. Stevenson.

Mr. Sprigg brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

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