

M O N D A Y, November 10, 1788.

THE senate met. Present as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read. On motion, ORDERED, That the vacancy occasioned by the declining to accept of Thomas Johnson, Esquire, be filled up on Wednesday next.

Mr. Seney, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 10, 1788.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS, THIS house will sit, during this session, for the dispatch of public business, from nine o'clock in the morning till three in the afternoon.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Also the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 10, 1788.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE propose to proceed to the election of a governor at one o'clock, and have appointed Mr. Fraizer, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Ridgely, of William, to join the members nominated by your house to examine the ballot boxes. Thomas Johnson and John Eager Howard, Esquires, are put in nomination by this house.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

And also a bill, entitled, An act to enable the judges of the general courts to continue certain causes therein mentioned, and to adjourn the county courts therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 10, 1788: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass."

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The following message was prepared, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 10, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

WE agree to ballot at one o'clock for the election of a governor, and have appointed Richard Ridgely and Peregrine Tilghman, Esquires, to join the members of your house in examining the ballot boxes.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

The senate having qualified, by taking the oath directed by the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the election of a governor. The ballot box was prepared, the ballots deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee of the senate appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after examination of the ballots returned and reported, that the honourable Thomas Johnson, Esquire, had a majority of votes; whereupon it is declared in the senate, that the honourable Thomas Johnson, Esquire, is duly elected governor of this state.

The bill, entitled, An act to enable the judges of the general court to continue certain causes therein mentioned, and to adjourn the county courts therein mentioned, was read the second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates by John Hall, Esquire.

Mr. Dent, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 10, 1788.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THE honourable Thomas Johnson, Esquire, being elected governor, we think proper that he be acquainted therewith by a joint letter from the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates, and have appointed Messieurs Chase, Mercer, Potts, W. Tilghman and Duvall, to join such members as your honours may name, to prepare and report a letter notifying such appointment.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

The following message was prepared, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by William Perry, Esquire.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 10, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

WE see no reason for departing from the usual mode adopted by an existing resolve of communicating to the persons appointed to office by the joint ballot of both houses their appointment, and therefore decline to appoint a committee to join yours to draught a letter to the honourable Thomas Johnson, Esquire, to notify to him his being elected governor. We think a joint letter should be written by the president and speaker, and immediately forwarded by express to that gentleman, that the legislature may be informed as soon as possible, whether he will accept the appointment.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

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

T U E S D A Y, November 11, 1788.

THE senate met. Present as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Ridgely, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolution:

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