

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SENATE.**MARYLAND, SC.**

ON the first Monday in December, (being the sixth day of the said month,) being the day appointed by the constitution and form of government for the meeting of the general assembly, appeared in the senate, Messrs. William R. Stuart, Joshua Cockey, Dennis Claude, Solomon Dickinson, William C. Miller, Robert Orrell and William Quinton.

A sufficient number of members to compose a senate not appearing, the members present adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, December 7, 1824.

The same members appeared as on yesterday. Joseph Brownley, appeared in the senate.

A sufficient number of members to compose a senate being convened, they severally qualified in the presence of each other, by taking the oath prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and by subscribing a declaration of their belief in the Christian religion.

The senate then proceeded to the election of a president, and the ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, and on examination thereof it appeared, that the honourable William R. Stuart was unanimously elected president of the senate. Whereupon it was declared in the senate, that the honourable William R. Stuart was unanimously elected president of the senate.

Mr. William Kilty was appointed chief clerk, Mr. Thomas S. Alexander assistant clerk, and Mr. Thomas W. Loockerman committee clerk; who severally qualified as such.

Mr. Andrew Slicer was appointed messenger, and Mr. Samuel Peaco door keeper.

Mr. Claude submitted the following message, which was read, assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

BY THE SENATE, Dec. 7th, 1824.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate having formed a quorum are ready to proceed with the business of the session.

We have chosen the honourable William R. Stuart president, and William Kilty, Esquire, chief clerk, and propose to sit, for the despatch of public business, from ten o'clock in the morning to three o'clock in the afternoon.

By order,

W. KILTY, Clk.

On motion, Ordered, That a committee be appointed to wait on his excellency the governor, to inform him that the senate is organised for business, and ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to lay before them.

The president nominated Messrs Brownley and Claude as the said committee.

On motion, Ordered, That Messrs. Claude and Quinton wait on the Rev. Doctor Rafferty, and request his attendance in the senate chamber every morning during the session at ten o'clock, to perform divine service.

On motion, Ordered, That the rules and regulations established by the senate for their government at December session 1823, be and they are hereby adopted for the present session, and that twenty copies of them be printed for the use of the senate.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 8, 1824.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday.

Mr. Chambers appeared in the senate, and being qualified according to the constitution and form of government, took his seat.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following message; which was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 8, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message, informing us that your honourable body have formed a house, and are ready to proceed with the business of the session. We also have formed a quorum, and have chosen the