

Monday November 8th 1779

Present the same Members as on Saturday, with the Addition of Mr. [unclear] and Mr. John Lambert Wilmer for Kent County; Mr. Henry Almy for Ann Arundel County; Mr. John [unclear] and Mr. Samuel Stanfor for Charles County; Mr. Archibald Job, and Mr. Elhu Hall for Cecil County; Mr. Thomas Cockey Deys for Baltimore County; Mr. Peter Chaille for Lancaster County; Mr. John Taylor for Harford County; Mr. Mark Alexander and Mr. David McMichin, for Baltimore Town; Mr. Edward Burgess and Mr. William Bayly for Montgomery County.

A sufficient Number of Delegates to ~~compose a House~~ proceed to ~~Frederick~~, they severally qualified in the Presence of each other by taking the several Oaths required by the Constitution and Form of Government, subscribing a Declaration of their Belief in the Christian Religion, and by taking, repeating and subscribing the Oath of Fidelity provided by the Act, entitled, an Act to punish certain Crimes and Misdemeanors, and to prevent the Growth of Intemperance.

The House proceeded to the Choice of a Speaker, and the Honorable James Beall was elected by Ballot.

The House appointed Mr. John Duhett Clerk

Ordered, That he qualify as such, by taking the several Oaths required by the Constitution, subscribing a Declaration of his Belief in the Christian Religion, and by taking an Oath that he will honestly, faithfully, and diligently discharge the Office of Clerk to the House of Delegates of Maryland, and that he will not reveal or disclose the Secrets thereof.

Ordered, That Mr. John Hall and Mr. John Hanson do request the Governor, that there was sufficient Number of Delegates convened to compose a House. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the Message.

The House appointed Mr. John Callahan Assistant Clerk; Mr. Robert Reynolds Sergeant at Arms; Mr. Cornelius Miles Doorkeeper; Mr. Nicholas Harwood, Mr. William Hanson Messengers, and Mr. Archibald Golder Committee Clerks. Ordered, That they be qualified.

The House adjourns till 3 O'Clock

Post Meridieum (The House met)

On Motion the Question was put, That a Brigadier General or other Officer in the regular Service during the Time he holds his Commission, is eligible as Governor of the State of Maryland, being in other respects qualified agreeable to the Constitution and Form of Government?

Carried in the Negative.

			Negative		
	Macubbin	Job	B. Hall	Taylor	Gaunt
Messrs	Winder	E. Hall	Magrison	Keene	Stell
	Williams	Henry	Ringgold	Hanson	Alexander
	Birkhead	Lordauford	Norris	Beatty	Bayly
	Board				
			Affirmative		
	McDiggoly	Gibson	Quynn	Daffin	Burgess
Messrs	Williamson	Diggos	Chase	Driver	Cranchin
	Treeland	J. Hanson	Bruff	McMichin	Woodton
	Deshield	Deys	Chaille		

The following Message:

By the House of Delegates November 8th 1779

May it please your Honours,

This Day being set apart by our Constitution and Form of Government

(for)