

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES OF THE STATE of MARYLAND. NOVEMBER SESSION, 1787.

Being the FIRST SESSION of this ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, November 14, 1787.

MONDAY the fifth instant being the day appointed by the constitution and form of government for the meeting of the legislature of this state, several of the members of this house accordingly met on that day, and a sufficient number of members to proceed on business not appearing, the house adjourned from day to day, until this day, when the following members appeared, viz.

For SAINT MARY's county.

Mr. George Thomas,
Mr. Philip Key.

KENT county.

Mr. Richard Miller,
Mr. Jeremiah Nicolls,
Mr. Philip Reed.
ANNE-ARUNDEL county.
Mr. Richard Harwood,
Mr. Nicholas Worthington,
Mr. B. T. B. Worthington,
Mr. James Carroll.

CALVERT county.

Mr. Michael Taney,
Mr. John Grahame.

CHARLES county.

Mr. George Dent,
Mr. John Parnham,
Mr. William H. M'Pherson,
Mr. Henry H. Chapman.

A sufficient number of delegates being convened, 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 prescribed by the act, entitled, An act to punish certain crimes and misdemeanors, and to prevent the growth of toryism.

The house proceeded to ballot for a speaker, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot-box, the gentlemen named to strike, after some time, reported, that the honorable Thomas Cockey Deye, Esquire, was unanimously elected.

The house appointed Mr. William Harwood clerk. ORDERED, That he qualify as such, by taking the several oaths required, 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.