

Matthew Tilghman, Esq from the Senate, delivers to Mr Speaker two Letters from Samuel Huntington, President, to his Excellency the Governor of this State, one dated Philadelphia the 15th December, 1779, enclosing a Resolution of Congress of the 15th December, the other dated the 14th December, enclosing Resolutions of Congress of the 11th and 14th December

Agreeable to the Order of the Day, the House proceeded upon balloting out two Members of Congress, and it being moved, that William Carmichael, Esquire, had resigned his seat as a Delegate 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.

Affirmative

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| Reed, | J Hall, | Job, | J Henry, | Beatty, | Hammond, |
| Key, | W Ridgely, | Dent, | McGee, | Burgess, | Alexander, |
| Jordan, | Titching, | Birkhead, | Bruff, | Cramphin, | W Machin, |
| Prof. Marshall, | Williamson, | Crawford, | Ringgold, | Leggott, | Bama, |
| Grosham, | Smith, | B Hall, | Roona, | Dreyer, | Spring, |
| Westonsen, | Weinder, | Magruder, | Stricker, | J Stevenson, | McComas, |
| Worthington, | Ward, | Luyon, | J Hanson, | | |

Negative

- Meff. Chafe, Dennis, Stull, Archer, Norris

So it was resolved in the Affirmative

The House then went into a Ballot, and the Gentlemen appointed to guide the Ballots retired, and after some Time returned and reported, that Mr. Parra and Mr. Jenifer are ballotted out. The House adjourns till 3 o'Clock

Post Meridien. The House met

The following Message being prepared, was sent to the Senate by Mr. Crauford & Mr. Smith

May it please your Honors, - By the House of Delegates December 22nd 1779

The following Gentlemen are proposed to be ballotted for as Members to Congress, George Plater, James Forbes, Thomas Johnson, John Hanson, John Hall, Edward Lloyd, Benedict Edward Hall, Upton Sherodins, Priests Thomas Beale Worthington, and John Smith, Esquire, and wish to know who are proposed in your House in addition By Order J. Dulwell Clk. Ho. Del.

William Hindman, Esq from the Senate, delivers to Mr Speaker the following Message

By the Senate, December 22nd 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 Messrs Crauford and Smith. B. W. Worthington, and Upton Sherodins, Esquires, desire not to be ballotted for. By Order W. Ridgely Clk. 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