

honourable William H. Marriott, speaker, and John Brewer, esquire, clerk, and propose to sit, for the despatch of public business, from 9 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock in the evening.

By order,

JOHN BREWER, Clk.

Also a resolution relative to the death of John H. D. Waters, esquire; which was read and laid on the table.

Also a resolution relative to the electors of president and vice president of the United States, and members of the legislature; which was read the first, and by special order a second and third time, assented to, and returned to the house of delegates.

The president laid before the senate a communication from the clerk of Somerset county court, containing a return of the attendance of the judges of the said court; which was read and sent to the house of delegates.

On motion by Mr. Chambers, leave was given to bring in a bill to be entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act directing the manner of suing out attachments in this province, and limiting the extent of them; and it was Ordered, That Messrs. Chambers, Cockey and Orrell, should be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

THURSDAY, December 9, 1824.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. Mr. Bowie and Mr. Kent appeared in the senate, and being qualified according to the constitution and form of government took their seats. The proceedings of yesterday were read

Mr. Claude submitted the following resolution, which was read and assented to.

Resolved, That in testimony of our regard for the memory of our late distinguished and highly respected colleagues, General William H. Winder, and Colonel Athanasius Fenwick, the members and officers of the senate will wear crape on the left arm for thirty days.

On motion, the question was put. Will the senate proceed to the election of a member to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Athanasius Fenwick, esquire? Determined in the affirmative.

The senate proceeded to the said election, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof it appeared that James Thomas, Esquire, had eleven votes, being the whole number of the members present.

Whereupon it was declared in the senate, that James Thomas, Esquire, having had all the votes of the attending members of the senate, is unanimously elected a member of the senate of Maryland.

On motion, the question was put, Will the senate proceed to the election of a member to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of William Price, Esquire? Determined in the affirmative.

The senate proceeded to said election, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof it appeared, that Frisby Tilghman, Esquire, had eleven votes, being the whole number of the members present in the senate chamber.

Whereupon it was declared in the senate, that Frisby Tilghman, Esquire, having had all the votes of the attending members of the senate, is unanimously elected a member of the senate of Maryland.

On motion, the question was put, Will the senate proceed to the election of a member to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of General William H. Winder? Determined in the affirmative.

The senate proceeded to said election, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof it appeared, that John Scott, Esquire, had eleven votes, being the whole number of the members present.

Whereupon it was declared in the senate, that John Scott, Esquire, having had all the votes of the attending members of the senate, is unanimously elected a member of the senate. On motion, Ordered, That the president of the senate address letters to the gentlemen this day elected members of the senate, notifying them of their appointment, and requesting their attendance at the seat of government, to qualify according to the constitution and form of government, and that said letters be immediately forwarded.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 9, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

Understanding that it is the intention of General Lafayette to visit the seat of government of the state of Maryland, at some period of the ensuing week, we respectfully propose to your honourable body, the appointment of a joint committee to take the subject into consideration and report thereon.

This state having at a very early period, passed an act to naturalize this distinguished and valuable friend of our country, it would seem proper for the legislature not to pass over in silence, a visit paid under such auspicious circumstances as now exist.

The committee will however take the whole matter into consideration, and report the most advisable measures to be adopted. We have appointed, on our part, Messrs Howard, Carroll, Edelen, Lloyd, Lee, Beckett, Hopper and Speed, to confer with such gentlemen as you may be pleased to name.

By order,

JOHN BREWER, Clk.

Also a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Matthew Fullarton Lind, and Robert Smith Lind, of Washington county; which was read and laid on the table.

The clerk of the council delivered a communication from the executive; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 9, 1824.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

In consequence of the numerous amendments of the constitution and laws of this state, acts supplementary to acts, and supplements to supplements, also the gradual decay of many laws owing to the change of time and circumstances, great uncertainty prevails as to what is the law, great difficulty as to its discovery, and great confusion even when discovered.