

Congress.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Monday, October 26.

This being the day fixed by the proclamation of the President of the United States, for the meeting of Congress, a majority of the members of both Houses convened at the Capitol.

The assistant clerk of the House of Representatives having called over the names of the members announced 117 members and one delegate to be present.

They then proceeded to the election of a Speaker, when the votes were as follow:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes Joseph B. Varnum (52), Charles Goldsborough (17), Burwell Bassett (17), John Masters (8), Thomas Blount (7), John Dawson (6), Joan Smith (3), Benjamin Tallmadge (1), Timothy Pitkin (1), Roger Nelson (1).

The Speaker after being conducted to the Chair by Mr. Van Cortlandt and Mr. Alston, delivered a short but appropriate address.

The House next proceeded to the election of a clerk, when the votes were for

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes Nicholas B. Vanzandt (37), Patrick Magruder (26), James Elliot (16), J. W. King (14), and others with 5 and 1 votes.

No person having a majority of votes, & Mr. Vanzandt had 52 votes. A third ballot was about to take place, when

Mr. Randolph rose, and after stating his reluctance for troubling the House, informed them that the person who had a plurality of votes, had violated his duty as assistant clerk, by listening to the debates, with closed doors, and publishing his information thus nefariously obtained.

After various remarks, a third balloting was held, and Patrick Magruder had 52 votes, and at the 4th he had 72, and was consequently elected.

Tuesday, October 27.

At 12 o'clock, the message of the President was delivered by his Secretary (a copy of which was published in our last) which, after being read, was committed to a committee of the whole house on the state of the Union, & 1000 copies ordered to be printed.

Thomas Dunn was then elected Sergeant at Arms, Thomas Claxton, Door-keeper, and Jesse Edwards Assistant Door-keeper.

Mr. Dawson moved the appointment of the standing committee, but a difference of opinion arising whether they should be named by the Speaker as heretofore, or elected by ballot, the appointment was postponed till to-morrow.

A committee was formed to wait on the President. The rules of the last session were adopted and the House adjourned.

Wednesday, October 28.

The unfinished business of yesterday respecting the appointment of standing committees, was taken up, and the amendment of Mr. Blount, directing their election to be by ballot, being under consideration.

Mr. Blount said he did not think it necessary to use any arguments in support of his motion, but, as he considered it as embracing an important principle, he would take the liberty of calling for the yeas and nays upon it.

The yeas and nays were agreed to be taken, when the question being called for, the Speaker stated to the house, that the clerk had not yet prepared an alphabetical list of the members, so that he could not proceed to call the names of members in the manner prescribed by the rules of the house.

Mr. Blount supposed it would make no difference if the names of the members should be called by States. He only wished to see how gentlemen who had so strenuously advocated the balloting for these committees heretofore would now vote. He hoped the house would unanimously agree to dispense with the rule of the house on this occasion.

The question was put, but there being a few negatives the rule could not be dispensed with.

Mr. Blount declined withdrawing the motion for taking the yeas and nays, and an alphabetical list was directed to be prepared.

Mr. Thomas was informed that it would take half an hour to make out the proposed list, and as there was other business on the table, he moved that the present motion should lie on the table for one hour.

Mr. Van Cortlandt thought this a novel procedure. He believed it would not be in order to postpone the business, except to a day certain.

The Speaker said, that a motion might be made at any time for a resolution to lie on the table, without specifying any time.

The motion for lying on the table was carried, there being 76 votes in favour of it.

After some remarks from Mr. R. D. Williams, answered by Mr. Randolph, respecting the furnishing the members with newspapers, the following resolution was agreed to:

Resolved, "That the clerk be directed to obtain newspapers from any number of offices which members may direct, provided the expense does not exceed the amount of the price of three daily newspapers."

The Speaker informed the house that the clerk had prepared an alphabetical list of the members.

Mr. Blount's amendment respecting committees was taken up & lost, yeas 24, nays 37. The original resolution, vesting the power with the Speaker, was agreed to, and committees were appointed as follow:

Of Elections.—Messrs. Findley, Williams, (S. C.) M. Clay, Lambert, Blake, Sturges, Elliot.

Of Claims.—Messrs. Holmes, Moore, (S. C.) Nelson, Pitkin, Seaver, Johnson, Humphreys.

Of Commerce & Manufactures.—Messrs. Newton, McCreery, Cutts, Dana, Marion, Thomas, Porter.

Of Ways and Means.—Messrs. Campbell, (T.) W. Alston, Eppes, Smilie, Tallmadge, Fisk, Montgomery, (Md.)

Of Public Lands.—Messrs. Boyle, Morrow, (Ohio) Goodwin, Russell, Darby, Ely, Smelt.

Of Revisal & Unfinished Business.—Messrs. Clopton, Van Rensselaer, Durell.

Of Accounts.—Messrs. Moore, (Md.) Stedman, Milnor.

The house then adjourned, Thursday, October 29.

A communication was received from N. B. Vanzandt, who officiated as clerk during the recess, informing the house that he had made the usual contract with Messrs. Way for the printing, Mr. Patterson for the stationary, &c.—Referred to the committee of accounts.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Treasury, enclosing an account of the extra expenses incurred in the Navy Department since the 22d day of June last, for the year 1807, which was ordered to be printed.

The Secretary adds, that the general estimates will be ready in the course of next week. The general heads of this report of extra expenditure are as follow:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes For ordnance & military fortifications (\$210,554 60), For repairs of vessels (151,896 73), Provisions (31,468 15), Marine corps (29,902 82), Pay of 1100 extra seamen, boys, petty officers, &c. (74,754 29), Timber for 73 gun-boats (87,500 00), Total (\$686,076 39).

After this subject was disposed of, a motion was made to adjourn, which was negatived, 24 only rising in favour of it.

A communication was received from the Legislature of the State of N. York, praying for an appropriation for the fortification of the city of N. York, accompanied by several resolutions expressive of their opinion, that the commercial and agricultural interests of that State are equally affected by its unprotected situation. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Rhea (Ten.) offered the following resolution, which was agreed to and ordered to be printed:

Resolved, That the committee on Public Lands do enquire into the expediency of laying off and describing certain metes and bounds, the tract of country to which the Indian title has been extinguished within the limits of Louisiana, and to include all the settlements within the said territory, and of having the said tract of country laid off into townships and sections, half and quarter sections, agreeably to the several laws heretofore made for surveying the public lands of the U. States; & also to enquire into the expediency of granting one quarter of a section to every free male white person who now resides thereon, or who will within years actually improve & reside thereon.

Mr. Dawson moved that the house should go into a committee of the whole on the state of the Union.

Mr. Thomas wished this business might be laid over till to-morrow. Gentlemen had not yet had sufficient time to examine the President's communication.

The house agreed to go into committee of the whole, there being 47 for it, and 42 against it.

The Speaker called Mr. Dawson to the chair; but he declined, stating that he had prepared some resolutions, which he was about to offer.

Mr. Basset was then requested to take the chair; and

Mr. Dawson offered the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That so much of the message of the President of the U. S. as relates to aggressions committed within our ports and waters by foreign armed vessels; to the violations of our jurisdiction; and the measures necessary for the protection of our

ports and harbors, be referred to a select committee.

2. Resolved, That so much of said message as relates to violations of our maritime rights, to impositions on, or interdictions of our neutral rights, be referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

3. Resolved, That so much of said message as relates to our intercourse with the Indian Tribes, be referred to a Select Committee.

4. Resolved, That so much of said message as relates to our military & naval establishments, be referred to a Select Committee.

5. Resolved, That so much of said message as relates to our finances be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

6. Resolved, That so much of said message as relates to the enterprises against the public peace, and the means of preventing the same, and of punishing their authors, be referred to a Select Committee.

The first resolution being under consideration,

Mr. Quincy thought this resolution embraced objects unconnected with each other, and objects of magnitude sufficient to warrant a separation of them. He submitted with deference to the committee, the propriety of referring whatever relates to the attack on the Chesapeake to a Select Committee. Upon this view of the subject, he would offer an amendment to the resolution in question. He wished to add after the word 'resolved,'

"That so much of the message of the President of the U. S. as relates to the attack made on the frigate Chesapeake to a Select Committee, and that the committee be instructed to enquire into the circumstances of that attack, the causes assigned for making it, and the manner in which it was repelled, and to report the result of such enquiries in detail to this House."

He added a few remarks, in which he observed that he thought the honor of the nation deeply concerned and hoped the affair would not be huddled up, but that a proper examination would take place.

The Chairman did not consider the proposed amendment as a substitute for the original motion, & therefore in order.

Mr. Alston could not conceive the object of the motion. Does the gentleman wish, he asked, to cramp the operations of the committee, by giving them his special instructions? He hoped no step would be taken which would be calculated to narrow the enquiries of this important committee.

After some observations by Mr. Dawson on the same side, which were answered by Mr. Quincy, as well as those of Mr. Alston,

The amendment was rejected, without a division.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any and what alterations are necessary in the bill establishing a post office & post-roads within the U. S. and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Resolved, That the House will, at 12 o'clock to-morrow, proceed to ballot for a Chaplain to Congress on part.

Friday, October 30.

The following gentlemen have been named on the select committees, agreed to be appointed by the resolution of Mr. Dawson yesterday.

On the committee relative to military & naval establishments: Messrs. Dawson, Helms, Rea, (Pen.) Butler, Van Cortlandt, Champion & Storor.

On the committee relative to aggressions committed within our waters and ports by foreign armed vessels—Messrs. Blount, Chandler, Burwell, Goldsborough, Riker, Troup and Witherall.

On the committee relative to enterprises against the public peace—Messrs. Randolph, Blackledge, Lloyd, Quincy, Hoge, Masters and Wilbour.

On the committee relative to our intercourse with the Indian tribes—Messrs. Cook, Bibb, Sloan, Desha and Harris.

The following gentlemen were named on the committee respecting post offices and post roads—Messrs. Rhea (Ten.) Kenan, Southard, Verplanck, Green, Carlton, Chittenden, Davenport, Knight, Whitehill, Trigg, Pugh, W. Alston, Cobb, Vanhorne, Morrow (Ohio) Howard.

Mr. Rhea (T.) moved a resolution, which was adopted, respecting lands in the Territory of Orleans to which there is no existing Indian title.

On motion of Mr. Findley, the House proceeded to the election of a Chaplain, when the Rev. Mr. Brown having 57 votes, was declared to be duly elected.

Several petitions were presented, and the House adjourned 'till Monday 11 o'clock.

The following is a complete list of the tenth Congress of the U. S.

SENATE.

New-Hampshire—Nahum Parker, Nicholas Gilman,

Massachusetts—Timothy Pickering, John Q. Adams.

Rhode-Island—Benjn. Howland, one vacancy.

Connecticut—James Millhouse, Chauncey Goodrich.

Vermont—S. R. Bradley, Jonathan Robinson.

New-York—S. L. Mitchell, John Smith.

New-Jersey—John Condit, Aaron Kitchell.

Pennsylvania—Samuel Maclay & Andrew Gregg.

Delaware—Jas. A. Bayard, Saml. White.

Maryland—Philip Reed, Samuel Smith.

Virginia—Andrew Moore, Wm. B. Giles.

North-Carolina—Jesse Franklin, James Turner.

South-Carolina—John Gaillard, Thomas Sumpter.

Georgia—John Milledge, George Jones.

Kentucky—Buckner Thruston, John Pope.

Tennessee—Daniel Smith, Joseph Anderson.

Ohio—John Smith, Edw. Tiffin.

REPRESENTATIVES.

New-Hampshire—Peter Carlton, Daniel M. Durell, Francis Gardner, Jedediah H. Smith, Clement Storor.

Massachusetts—Ezekiel Bacon, Joseph Barker, John Chandler, Orchard Cook, Jacob Crowninshield, Richard Cutts, Josiah Dean, Wm. Ely, Isaiah D. Green, Daniel Isley, Ed. S. L. Livermore, Josiah Quincy, Ebenezer Seaver, William Stedman, Joseph B. Varnum, Samuel Taggart, Jabaz Upsham.

Rhode-Island—Nehemiah Knight, Isaac Wilbour.

Connecticut—Epaphroditus Champion, Samuel W. Dana, John Davenport, Jonathan O. Mosely, Timothy Pitkin, jr. Lewis B. Sturges, Benjamin Tallmadge.

Vermont—Martin Chittenden, Jas. Elliot, James Fisk, James Witherall.

New York—John Blake, jr. Geo. Clifton, jr. Barrett Gardiner, John Harris, Wm. Kirkpatrick, Jo. Masters, Guidon S. Mumford, Samuel Riker, John Russell, Peter Swart, David Thomas, John Thompson, J. J. Van Allen, P. Van Cortlandt, K. K. Van Rensselaer, Danl. C. Verplanck, Ruben Humphreys.

New-Jersey—Ezra Darby, Wm. Helms, John Lamber, Thomas Newbold, Jame Sloan, Henry Southard.

Pennsylvania—David Bard, Robert Brown, Joseph Clay, William Findley, John Heister, Wm. Hoge, Robt. Jenkins, Jas. Kelly, Wm. Miller, Daniel Montgomery, John Porter, John Pugh, John Rhea, Jacob Richard, Matthias Richards, John Smilie, Saml. Smith, R. Whitehill.

Delaware—Nicholas Vanduyke.

Maryland—John Campbell, Chas. Goldsborough, Philip B. Key, Edw. Lloyd, Wm. Creery, John Montgomery, Nicholas R. Moore, Roger Nelson, Archd. Van Horn.

Virginia—Burwell Bassett, Wm. A. Burwell, John Claiborne, Matthew Clay, John Clapton, John Dawson, John W. Eppes, James M. Garnett, Peterson Goodwyn, Edwin Gray, David Holmes, John G. Jackson, Walter Jones, Joseph Lewis, jun. John Love, John Morrow, Thomas Newton, jun. Wilson C. Nicholas, John Kandolph, John Smith, Abr. Trigg, Alexander Wilson.

North Carolina—Evan Alexander, Willis Alston, jr. Wm. Blackledge, Thos. Blount, John Culpepper, Jas. Holland, Thomas Kenan, Nathaniel Macon, Lemuel Sawyer, Richard Stanford, Marmaduke Williams, M. Franklin.

South-Carolina—Leml. J. Alston, Wm. Butler, Jos. Colhoun, Robert Martin, Thomas Moore, John Taylor, R. D. Williams, Richd. Winn.

Georgia—Wm. W. Bibb, Howell Cobb, Dennis Smelt, Geo. M. Troup.

Kentucky—John Boyle, J. Desha, Benj. Howard, Richd. M. Johnston, Matthew Lyon, John Rowan.

Ohio—Jeremiah Morrow.

Indiana Territory—Benj. Parke.

Mississippi Territory—George Poindexter.

JOSIAH DILLIARD

RESPECTFULLY informs the Members of the General Assembly, and the Public in general, that he has made a considerable improvement to his Buildings since last Session: such as will enable him to accommodate from twenty to twenty-five Boarders conveniently. J. D. will take Students of the Raleigh Academy at Boarders, after the Session of the General Assembly. Raleigh, Oct. 26, 1807.

HORSES FED.

THE Subscriber intends taking Horses to feed during the ensuing Session of the General Assembly, at Two Shillings and Six Pence per day, to be fed in separate stalls. All possible attention and care will be paid, but he will not be accountable for escapes or accidents of any kind, though in no instance has any horse entrusted to him, ran away or been stolen. Attendance will be given about Casso's tavern and the Market-house at the time the members are expected.

JAMES PETERS.

The Advertiser has a large Field, with good low Ground, and plenty of fresh Water running through it. J. P. October 20, 1807.

ENTERTAINMENT.

The Subscriber respectfully informs his Friends and the Public, that he is about to remove to the house lately occupied by Mr. William Armstrong, at the corner of Morgan and Fayetteville streets, near the State-house, on the 14th November next, to be in readiness to receive those who may call on him the ensuing Session of the Legislature. The house is in good order. The Subscriber will retain the Indian Queen, the house he at present occupies near the Court-house, and will thereby be enabled to accommodate his friends and those who may favour him with their company, with a much larger number of private rooms than heretofore. The chimneys have been altered, so as not to smoke the rooms. Every attention will, as usual, be paid to the accommodation, convenience of Members of the Assembly and others who may call on him.—The Stable will be well furnished and attended to. Wm. SCOTT.

October 28, 1807.

BOARDING.

WILLAM ARMSTRONG

RESPECTFULLY informs Members of the Legislature and others, that he has removed to a very commodious and convenient House, opposite the Court-house, where he hopes by unwearied assiduity, & by furnishing an excellent Table, to give satisfaction to those Gentlemen who may please to favor him with their company.

ENTERTAINMENT.

THE Subscriber returns his sincere thanks to the Public in general, for the Favours so liberally bestowed upon him in time past, and informs them, that he still carries on Business at his old stand, and will be able to take Thirty-five Boarders during the ensuing General Assembly, exclusive of transient Company. He has also a large supply of Forage for Horses in town, and at his Plantation two miles and a half from town. Raleigh, Oct. 8 JAS MEARS.

NORTH-CAROLINA.

Treasury Department, Sept 15, 1807. "And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that on the first day of November next, and on the first day of November in each and every year thereafter, it shall be considered the duty of the Public Treasurer and Comptroller for the time being, to make, certify & hand to the Public Printer, to be by him published for one month, a List containing the names of all the Revenue Officers in the State, who shall on that day have failed to account for the Public Taxes & other Monies due by them for the last year, and which by law are made payable to the Treasury on the first day of October preceding, stating in such list the sum due from each officer respectively for that year; and that they shall consider their indispensable duty to do yearly "and every year."

The foregoing is taken from the eighth chapter of the Acts of 1806, section the fourth, and published for the information of those whom it may concern, by direction of the Treasury Officers.

NOTICE.

ALL persons are forewarned from trading for a certain Bond executed by the Subscriber to Budd Mullens, of Franklin county, bearing date the 5th day of February last, for 23 Dollars and some Cents, payable the 25th of December next, as this Bond was given in pure chase of a Tract of Land which bears a dispartable title DANIEL HARRIS, Franklin County, Oct. 12, 1807.

Twenty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living within half a mile of Concord, N. C. on the 19th ult a Negro Man named JOE, but sometimes calls himself JOE SIMON, of a black complexion, 50 years of age, grey head and beard, and about 5 feet 10 inches high. He is an excellent Basket-Maker, and generally follows it wherever he goes. Sometimes he passes for the property of John Jant, of S. Carolina; he is an artful, sagacious fellow, and among negroes talks very loud. He will no doubt pass for a free man. Took with him, a tolerable second hand broad cloth brown coat and striped pantaloons. Any person taking up said Negro, and securing him in any goal, shall receive the above reward, and all reasonable charges paid if brought home. It is supposed he has a gun with him. GEO SMITH. October 20, 1807.

North-Carolina Minerals.

THE celebrated Mr. WEDGWOOD, on his examination before the House of Commons some years ago, when it was proposed to lay a tax upon the Pottery Manufactures of England, declared that if the measure was carried into effect, "he would remove to North Carolina, where there was an abundance of excellent materials"—A native of that country being about to establish a Pottery Manufactory in the U. States, is desirous of information where a suitable Clay can be found for his purpose. Supposing, from the above declaration of Mr. Wedgwood, that it is to be had in N. Carolina, he has applied to the Editor of the Raleigh Register for information on the subject. Such, therefore, as may be able to communicate any information on this subject, are requested immediately to do so.

The Editor of the Register would be glad to be informed also, if any of the following Minerals are found in this State, viz: Antimony, Cobalt, Manganese, Fluor-bago, or Black Flint. It so, specimens and information of the quantity which can be supplied, of any of the said Minerals, will be thankfully received, and which may probably issue to the advantage of those who can furnish the supply wanted. October 21, 1807.

NEGRO STOLEN.

ON Sunday night last was stolen by a white Man from the house of the Subscriber, a YELLOW BOY, about four years old. It is supposed he was taken and carried away by one Richard Field, a man of thin visage, fair complexion, about 5 feet 10 inches high. The boy is called Stanford, and has a mark on the back of a burn on one of his arms. I will give Fifty Dollars for apprehending the Child, or Twenty-five for the Child alone. It is probable the Boy is taken the Southward. W. M. MARSH. Charleston County, Oct. 2.