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Wednesday 16th. November 1808.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment

Present, Mr. President Meigs, Messrs. Twiggs, Clark, Stewart, Mounger, Marshall, Hull, Carnes, Irwin & Flournoy.

The Treasurer delivered in his annual statement which was read and ordered to be filed.

Mr. Treasurer Merewether signified his wish to this Board to resign his appointment, which resignation was accepted of; and thereupon resolved that this board cannot take leave of Mr. Treasurer Merewether without expressing their decided approbation of his integrity and upright conduct during the time he has been engaged in the arduous task of arranging and keeping in masterly order the books and papers [p 149] belong to that department, and think it unfortunate that so valuable an Officer shall be compelled from private considerations to resign his appointment and that the Secretary furnish Mr. Merewether with a copy of this resolution.

It having been stated by Messrs. Hull & Carnes that Coll. Young Gresham is desirous of resigning his appointment as attorney of the Board, and it being deemed proper to unite the office of attorney with that of agent and Treasurer. It is thereupon resolved, that the Board will now proceed to the election of a proper person to discharge & perform the duties of Treasurer, agent, & attorney of the Board, who shall receive as a compensation for his services, for the ensuing year only, a salary of six hundred dollars. And it shall be the duty of the person so elected to reside at Athens, and attend each meeting of the Board with his Papers and Statements, and it is further resolved, that the person so elected shall give bond with two or more securities in the sum of Fifteen thousand dollars, for the faithful discharge of duty.

The Board proceeded to the election of the aforesaid Officer, when it appeared that Augustin S. Clayton was unanimously elected.

Ordered, that the Secretary prepare a bond for Mr. Clayton and his securities to execute.

Resolved, that when the said bond is executed the late Treasurer deliver over to Mr. Clayton the Books and papers belonging to the Trust.

The Board then adjourned untill half past three o'Clock this afternoon