

Maryland Ss^t

Journal of the second Session of Assembly begun and held at the port of Annapolis the fifth Day of December in the third year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady Ann by the Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith &c^{ta} Annoq Dom. 1704.

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The House met according to Prorogation and being called over were present.

George Muschamp Esq^r for S^t Mary's City, M^r Thomas Beale, M^r William Watts, M^r Peter Watts, for S^t Mary's County, M^r Thomas Smith, M^r Elias King, and M^r John Wells for Kent County; M^r Samuel Young, M^r Charles Greenbury, M^r Joseph Hill and M^r Richard Jones, for Ann Arundel County; M^r Robert Skinner M^r John Mackall & M^r Thomas Howe, for Calvert County; M^r James Smallwood, for Charles County; M^r Edward Dorsey, M^r James Maxwell, M^r James Philips, M^r Francis Dallahide, for Baltimore County; M^r Joseph Gray, M^r John Jones, M^r John Mackalster, for Somerset County; Col^o Thomas Smithson, M^r Robert Goldsborough, & M^r Henry Coursey, for Talbot County; M^r Edward Blay, for Cecil County; M^r Robert Tyler, and M^r Samuel Magruder for Prince George's County; M^r James Hay, for S^t Mary's City; M^r John Leach, for Calvert County; M^r Gerr^d Fowke, and M^r William Stone, for Charles County; M^r Nicholas Lowe, for Talbot County; & all Dorchester County, Wanting also M^r Thomas Frisby, M^r William Pearce & M^r William Dare for Cecil County; M^r Thomas Greenfield, M^r William Barton, and M^r John Waters; also wanting M^r William Aisquith, & M^r William Frisby both sick.

The House being called over M^r Robert Goldsborough and M^r Henry Coursey ordered to attend his Excellency to acquaint him That the Major Part of the House are met but not having a Speaker, Major William Dent, late Speaker, being dead, his Excellency may be desired to give some Directions how the House shall proceed.

They returned and say his Excellency leaves it to the House of Delegates to proceed to choosing a Speaker.

Thereupon the House by Majority of Votes made Choice of Thomas Smith Esq^r to be their Chairman and accordin

the Chair And afterwards House attended M^r Speaker to present him to his Excellency the Governour, where M^r Speaker was pleased to make a short excusatory Speech, disabling

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