Directed thus, To the Honble the Members of the Lower house of L. H. J. Assembly p. 290

July the 12th 1731

Gentlemen.

Some days before M^r Macnemara left the Province I promised him that in Case an Assembly should be Called during his Absence that if the Honourable Lower House of Assembly would Allow me, I would Act as Clerk of that house in favour of him.

Which promise I am willing and ready to perform and now in favour of said Macnemara I humbly offer my Service to your Honours Promising if you'll Please to Accept of me as a Person Qualified for that Office faithfully & honestly to serve your Honours therein According to the best of my skill and Knowledge.

I am your honours most Obedient humble Servant

William Cumming

Directed thus, To the Honourable the Members of the Lower house of Assembly. These

Thereupon the House make Choice of the Afd William Cumming as their Clerk in the Room of the said Michael Macnemara during this Session of Assembly And humbly Prays his Excellency's Approbation of him, And that he may be qualified by taking the Usual Oaths.

Ordered that Daniel Dulany Esq^r Acquaint the Governour therewith, Who returned and said he Delivered his Message and that the said Cumming was approved of and Qualified before the Governour in the Upper House by taking the Several Oaths to the Government And the Usual Oath of Clerk which follows in these words Viz.

You William Cumming, do Swear that as Clerk of the Lower House of Assembly you shall true Entries make of all such Matters and things as by the Honourable Speaker and that House shall be to you Directed, the Secrets of the said House you shall not Divulge to the Prejudice of the House or any Member thereof but shall in all things as Clerk of the said House well and truly Demean yourself according to the best of your Knowledge.

So help you God.

It is Resolved by this House that the time of Sitting for the Dispatch of the Publick Business during this Session of Assembly be from Eight in the forenoon untill Twelve And from two in the Afternoon untill Six.

The House Adjourns untill to Morrow Morning Eight of the Clock.

Wednesday July the 14th 1731.

July 14

The House met according to Adjournment. The Members were Called and all Present as Yesterday together likewise with Captⁿ