

L. H. J. Coll^o Tilghman Coll^o Ward from the Upper House and M^r John
 p. 361 Ross Clerk of the Council Came into the Stadt House in whose
 presence the said Members of the Lower House took the Oaths of
 Allegiance Abhorrence and Abjuration to his Present Majesty King
 George the Second repeated the Test and Signed the said Oaths and
 Test.

Soon afterwards Came John Hall and John Rousby Esq^{rs} from the
 Upper House and Informed the said Representatives that the Governour
 required their Immediate Attendance in the Council Chamber,
 Who thereupon went, and were required by the Governour to return
 to their House and Choose a Speaker. They returned to the Lower
 House and Unanimously Chose Coll^o John Mackall a Member returned
 to Serve for Calvert County to be their Speaker.

M^r Beale and M^r Crabb were ordered to Acquaint his Excellency
 the Governour that they had made Choice of a Speaker, Who return
 and say they Delivered their Message.

Benjamin Tasker & Phillip Lee Esq^{rs} from the Upper House
 acquaint this House that his Excellency the Governour requires their
 Immediate Attendance in the Council Chamber in Order to present
 their Speaker

Whereupon, the Members of this House went to the Upper House
 where they Presented to his Excellency the Governour Coll^o John
 Mackall as their Speaker who Likewise was pleased to Approve of
 the said Speaker and made the following Speech [The text of this
 speech is printed at page 370.]

The following Letter Viz^t [See page 370.]

p. 362 M^r Speaker and the rest of the Members of this House returned
 where M^r Speaker Assumed the Chair but being Incapable of Pro-
 ceeding any further on Business (with Convenience) through the
 want of a Clerk made Choice of M^r Michael Macnemara the late
 Clerk.

M^r Beale and M^r Warfeild were Ordered to go to the Upper
 House to see M^r Macnemara Qualified as Clerk to this House, They
 return and Acquaint the House that they saw him Qualified by taking
 the Several Oaths to the Government required by Law, repeating the
 Test, Sign the said Several Oaths and Test and by taking the Oath
 of Office according to the form following Viz.

You Michael Macnemara do Swear that as Clerk to the Lower
 House of Assembly you shall true Entries make of all such Matters
 & things as by the Honourable Speaker for the time being 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
 p. 363 shall in all things as Clerk to the said House well and truly Demean
 yourself according to the best of your knowledge So help you God.